

# Lecture 8

# SIGGRAPH trailer from 2011

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=JK9EEE3RsKM>



# Announcements

- Assignment 3 is still released!
- Due Date: Sunday night (midnight)
  - How are we doing?
- Assignment 4 shaders





# Scene Timing & Organizing Movement

# Using unit conversion to get precise speeds

- Sometimes you want to use real-world measurements in your virtual world.

10 feet, 10 feet per second, 10 RPM, etc.

- This allows all your calculations to be in real units, which helps you check that your results make sense.
- In a simulation, you might have other units like mass and force; keeping all measurements in real-world units lets you check your results using physics formulas, and re-use constants from physics.

# Using unit conversion to get precise speeds

Problem 1: Rotate or move box back and forth once per second.

Given:  $t$

- For our angle we need:  $f(t)$  that goes back and forth one per second.
- $t$  is in units of seconds
- Trig functions like sine repeat once every  $2 * \text{PI}$  units.

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- For  $g(t)$  to equal units of “one sine period”, we need:

$g(t) = a * t$  where  $a$  is equal to one unit of:  $\frac{2 * PI}{second}$

- Solution:  $a = 2 * PI$
- In its units, “seconds” will cancel out when multiplying by  $t$ .
- Final result:

$$f(t) = \sin( g(t) ) = \sin( 2 * PI * t )$$

# Harder example

Making speeds precise



# Using unit conversion to get precise speeds

Suppose you want a cube to rotate around at precisely 10 RPM.

That's 10 units of  $\frac{\text{revolutions}}{\text{minute}}$ .

You'd like to change this, through unit conversion, to either:

1. Radians (if you make your rotation a pure function of time calculated fresh each step)
- or 2. Radians per frame (if you make it an incremental function of the previous frame's rotation)

Either works.

# Using unit conversion to get precise speeds

We know that there are  $2\pi$  radians per revolution, so that gets rid of the revolutions unit and introduces the desired radians unit, but still leaves minutes in the result to deal with.

$$\frac{10 * 2 * \pi}{\text{minute}}$$

We're about to do some unit cancelling magic to get us to the units we want, and a few more ingredients are needed for the setup.

# Using unit conversion to get precise speeds

Let's suppose we don't have `t` yet. From your `display()` function we need the value

`program state.animation time`, the number of milliseconds that have passed since the program started.

We know there are 1000 milliseconds in a second and 60 seconds in a minute. Lastly we want animation to progress at a 1:1 rate with real time, so that gets us from program time units into animation time units.

# Using unit conversion to get precise speeds

We want  $1 \frac{\text{runtime}_{(\text{program})}}{\text{rate}_{(\text{animation})}}$

- As opposed to animating at faster or slower than the program's clock
- Getting this is not always a given
  - You can mess up
  - Constant incremental motion every frame = jittering as some frames run faster than others
  - Luckily part 1 of this example doesn't use incremental motion

# Using unit conversion to get precise speeds

The final calculation is this:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{radians} = & 10 \frac{\text{revolutions}}{\text{minute}} * 2PI \frac{\text{radians}}{\text{revolution}} * \frac{1}{60} \frac{\text{minute}}{\text{seconds}} \dots \\ & * \frac{1}{1000} \frac{\text{second}}{\text{milliseconds}} * 1 \frac{\text{runtime}_{(\text{program})}}{\text{rate}_{(\text{animation})}} * (\mathbf{time}) \frac{\text{milliseconds}}{\text{runtime}_{(\text{program})}} \end{aligned}$$

Notice how all those unwanted units cancel out, at the end leaving only degrees at your animation rate.

$\Rightarrow$

$$\text{radians} = \frac{10 * 2 * PI}{60 * 1000} * \mathbf{time}$$

# Using unit conversion to get precise speeds

- Pass this many radians into a call to `rotate()`,
- Use the returned rotation matrix directly as your model matrix
- Now you have a rotating function with the relationship with real time that you want: **10 RPM**.

# Using unit conversion to get precise speeds

## Method #2: Radians per frame

- Doing incremental adjustments to the model matrix
- Instead of overwriting it with a function's result every frame
- Now you need a delta, stored in a different variable:

```
program_state.animation_delta_time.
```

- Measures the time since the last frame (time per frame).  $\frac{\text{milliseconds}}{\text{frame}}$
- Subtracting "previous time" from "time" introduces a unit of  $\frac{\text{milliseconds}}{\text{frame}}$
- The frames unit immediately cancels out from the denominator by way of applying that adjustment over every frame.
- Another way to the same answer, giving you precisely 10 RPM again.

# “LookAt” Matrices



# Defining $M_{cam}$

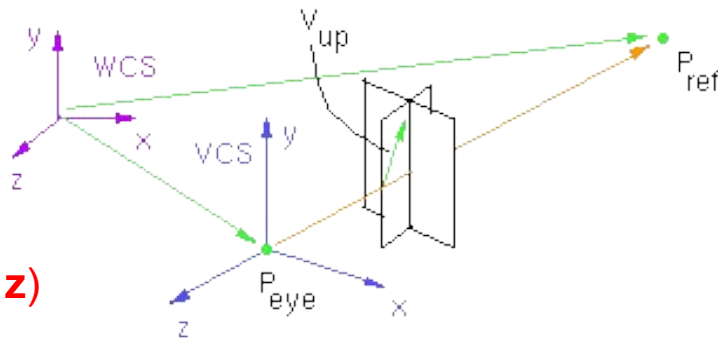
**Given:**

Eye point  $P_{eye}$

Reference point  $P_{ref}$ 

Up vector  $\mathbf{v}_{up}$

( $\mathbf{v}_{\text{up}}$  is not necessarily orthogonal to  $\mathbf{z}$ )



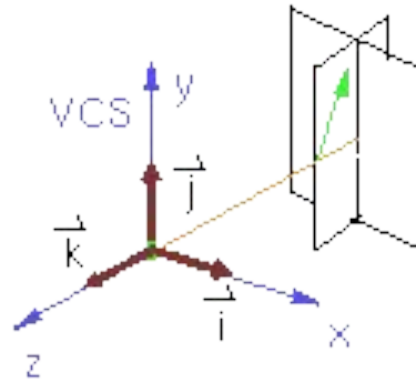
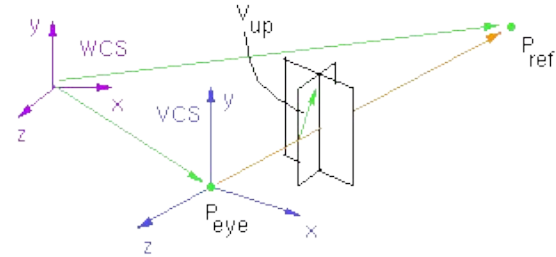
To build  $\mathbf{M}_{\text{cam}}$  we need to define a camera coordinate system  $[\mathbf{i} \ \mathbf{j} \ \mathbf{k} \ O]$

# Camera Coordinate System

$$\mathbf{k} = \frac{P_{\text{eye}} - P_{\text{ref}}}{|P_{\text{eye}} - P_{\text{ref}}|}$$

$$\mathbf{i} = \frac{\mathbf{v}_{\text{up}} \times \mathbf{k}}{|\mathbf{v}_{\text{up}} \times \mathbf{k}|}$$

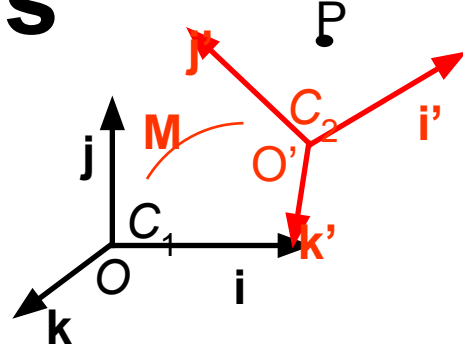
$$\mathbf{j} = \mathbf{k} \times \mathbf{i}$$



# Reminder: Change of Basis

$$P_{C_1} = M P_{C_2}$$

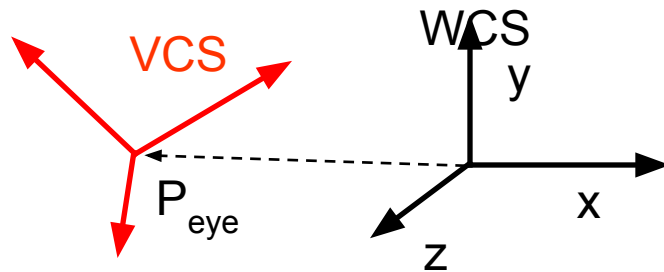
$$P_{C_1} = \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} i'_x & j'_x & k'_x & O'_x \\ i'_y & j'_y & k'_y & O'_y \\ i'_z & j'_z & k'_z & O'_z \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x' \\ y' \\ z' \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = M P_{C_2}$$



# Building $M_{\text{cam}}$

## Change of basis

Our reference system is WCS,  
we know the camera parameters with  
respect to the world



Align WCS with VCS

$$M_{\text{cam}} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & P_{\text{eye}_x} \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & P_{\text{eye}_y} \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & P_{\text{eye}_z} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{matrix} \text{Translation} \\ \text{Rotation} \end{matrix} \begin{bmatrix} i_x & j_x & k_x & 0 \\ i_y & j_y & k_y & 0 \\ i_z & j_z & k_z & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$P_{\text{wcs}} = M_{\text{cam}} P_{\text{vcs}}$$

# Building $M_{\text{cam}}$ Inverse

*Invert the smart way*

$$\begin{aligned} M_{\text{cam}}^{-1} &= \left( \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & P_{\text{eye}_x} \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & P_{\text{eye}_y} \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & P_{\text{eye}_z} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} i_x & j_x & k_x & 0 \\ i_y & j_y & k_y & 0 \\ i_z & j_z & k_z & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \right)^{-1} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} i_x & j_x & k_x & 0 \\ i_y & j_y & k_y & 0 \\ i_z & j_z & k_z & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & P_{\text{eye}_x} \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & P_{\text{eye}_y} \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & P_{\text{eye}_z} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}^{-1} \end{aligned}$$

# Building $M_{cam}$ Inverse

*Invert the smart way*

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$$= \begin{matrix} \text{Transpose} & & \text{Negate} \end{matrix} \begin{bmatrix} i_x & i_y & i_z & 0 \\ j_x & j_y & j_z & 0 \\ k_x & k_y & k_z & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & -P_{eye_x} \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & -P_{eye_y} \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -P_{eye_z} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$P_{vcs} = M_{cam}^{-1} P_{wcs}$$

# How to call `look_at()`

```
// Pass in eye position, at  
// position, and up vector.
```

```
Mat4.look_at( Vec.of( 0,0,0 ), Vec.of( 0,0,1 ), Vec.of( 0,1,0 ) );
```

```
// Or:
```

```
Mat4.look_at( ...Vec.cast( [0,0,0], [0,0,1], [0,1,0] ) );
```

# Positioning camera without look\_at()

- Not as easy to point directly at things, but valid.
- Generate it using  
`mult() / rotation() / translation() / scale()`  
instead of `look_at()`
- Remember `inverse()` concepts apply to cameras
  - Any incremental modifications you make will encounter properties of inverted products (reverse the order **and** invert each part)



# Summary of the Modelview Transformation

- 1. An affine transformation composed of elementary affine transformations*
- 2. The camera transformation is a change of basis*
- 3. The modelview transformation preserves:*
  - lines and planes
  - parallelism of lines and planes
  - affine combinations of points and relative ratios

# Projections

# Transform Process

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- Next, what is the projection matrix?

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- The projection matrix is something you make, using special calls.
- Two built in functions make two kinds of them:
  - `Mat4::perspective()` causes converging lines / vanishing points.
  - `Mat4::orthographic()` causes parallel lines to remain parallel -- like how scenes look when viewed from far enough away.

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  - `perspective()` : The camera is like a point, and will see everything that falls within a **truncated pyramid (frustum)** expanding out from it

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- The projection matrix is something you make, using special calls.
  - `orthographic()` : The camera is like a flat rectangular screen, and will see everything that falls within a rectangular box in front of it.
  - Rectangular boxes are a special case of frustums

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- Both types, perspective() and orthographic(), are projections.
- Projections are different from the camera matrix. It kind of shapes the virtual camera lens, instead of placing, sizing, and pointing the virtual camera.

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- In your code, the projection and camera are both stored in the `Program_State` object
  - One per WebGL canvas, passed into your `display()`
- These aren't multiplied together until the shader program
  - Shader program receives them and does  
`projection*camera*model * point`



# Projection Properties

# Projections

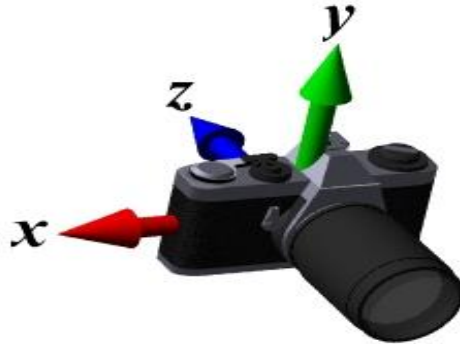
- Recall there are two choices for how the view frustum is shaped: Perspective or Orthographic (parallel)
- The frustum has six planes, and the closest to the camera is called the “near plane”
- The projection matrix maps all 3D points that fall inside a frustum onto the near plane of that frustum, thereby reducing all shapes to 2D, for screen display.

# Projections: Online Demos

- [http://threejs.org/examples/#webgl\\_camera](http://threejs.org/examples/#webgl_camera)
  - Perspective vs orthographic - the difference between the two projection frustums (and what they see) -- press O and P to switch between the two.
  - Clipping planes
- Also: My “Ray Tracer” example will show 3D frustums very clearly
  - Projecting their contents onto the near image plane

# OpenGL Convention

*In world coordinates, the camera system is defined as follows:*



# Projections

- We use a right handed system ( $x \text{ cross } y = z$ )
- $x$  and  $y$  in traditional plot directions make  $z$  go out of board, so
- We look down  $-z$ 
  - Projection matrix is responsible for this flip!
  - Among other things

# Transform Process

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- One more invisible thing happens after our code in addition to the viewport matrix:

## The Perspective Division

– (Different from Perspective Matrix)

# Transform Process

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- To do it, divide final vector  $[x,y,z,w]$  by its own  $w$ 
  - (Not necessarily 1 anymore after projection matrix)
  - Can pull  $x$  and  $y$  closer to zero as depth increases
- No matrix can do that “row division” effect
  - It’s not a linear operation

# Transform Process

- The chain of four special matrices is always the formula.
- Additionally, the Camera and Model parts are usually divided up further: They're stored in their own 4x4 matrix variables that you build up out of even smaller parts by accumulating transforms (rotation, translation, or scale matrices) during the program:

$$\begin{bmatrix} ? & ? & ? & ? \\ ? & ? & ? & ? \\ ? & ? & ? & ? \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}_{Model_1} * \begin{bmatrix} ? & ? & ? & ? \\ ? & ? & ? & ? \\ ? & ? & ? & ? \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}_{Model_2} * \begin{bmatrix} ? & ? & ? & ? \\ ? & ? & ? & ? \\ ? & ? & ? & ? \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}_{Model_3} * \begin{bmatrix} ? & ? & ? & ? \\ ? & ? & ? & ? \\ ? & ? & ? & ? \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}_{etc.} = [Model]$$
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# Matrix Order

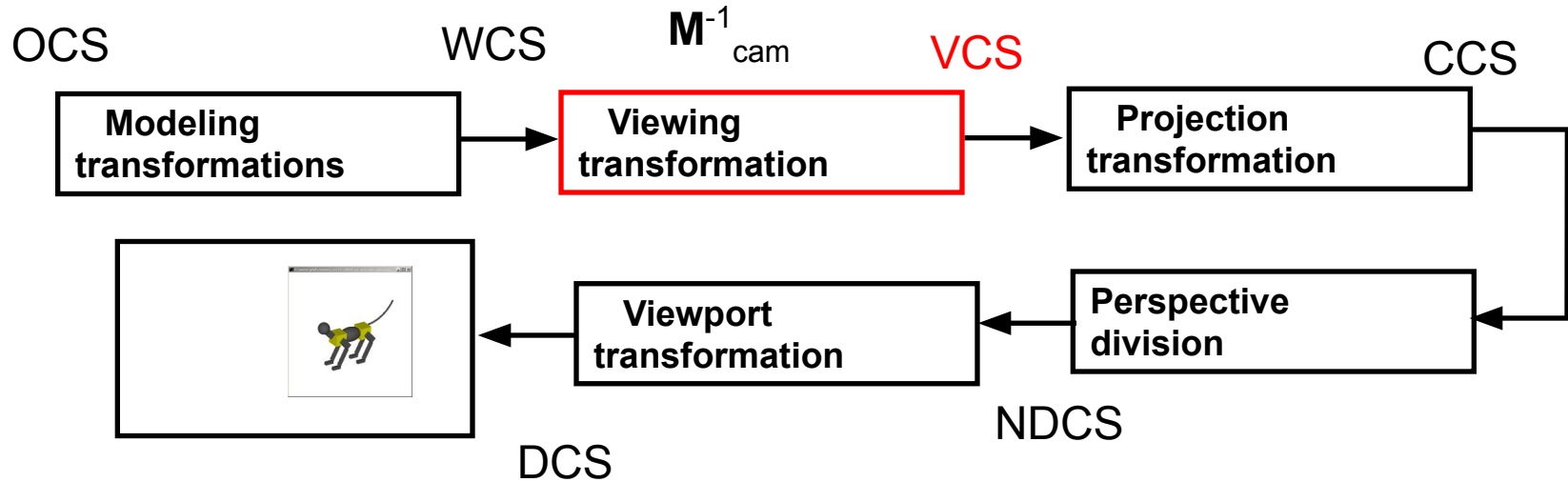
- Let's take a look at the complete formula again:

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- It's just a math formula, so there's no concept of first, last, or "order" while we're composing it.
- Instead of order, there is only left and right (non commutativity), and by convention the vertex is on the far right end in the formula no matter what.

# Projection Math

# Graphics Pipeline



# Projection Transformations

**Mapping:**  $T : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$

Projection:  $n > m$

*We are interested in*

$\mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$  or

$\mathbb{R}^4 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$  in homogenous coordinates

Planar Projections:

*Projections onto a plane*

# Taxonomy and Examples

## Planar Projections

### Parallel

#### Orthographic

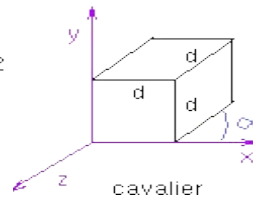
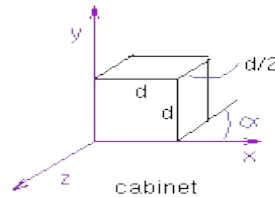
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Axonometric:  
Isometric  
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Trimetric

#### Oblique

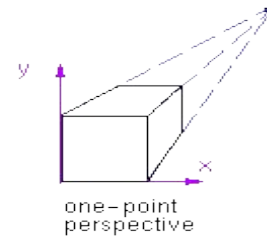
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Cavalier

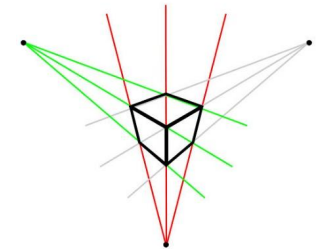


### Perspective

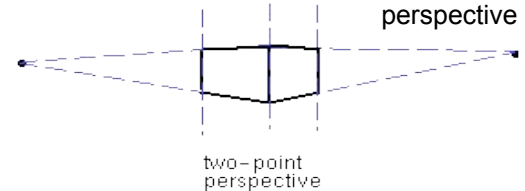
1 Point    2 Point    3 Point



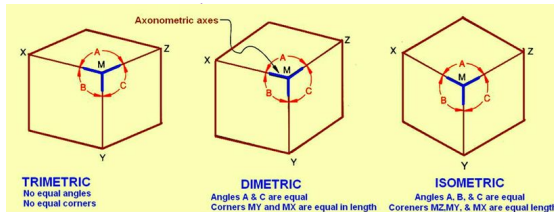
one-point perspective



three-point perspective

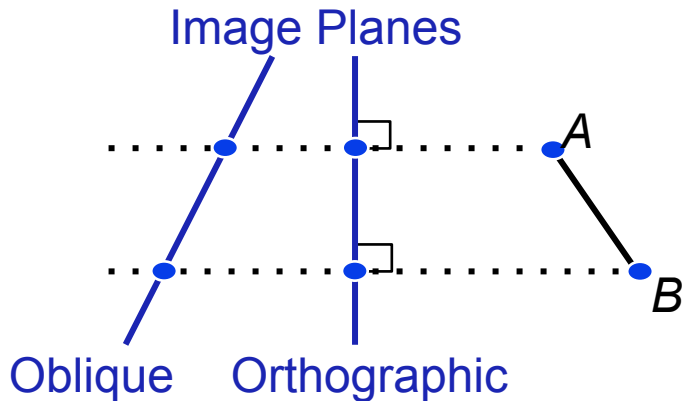


two-point perspective

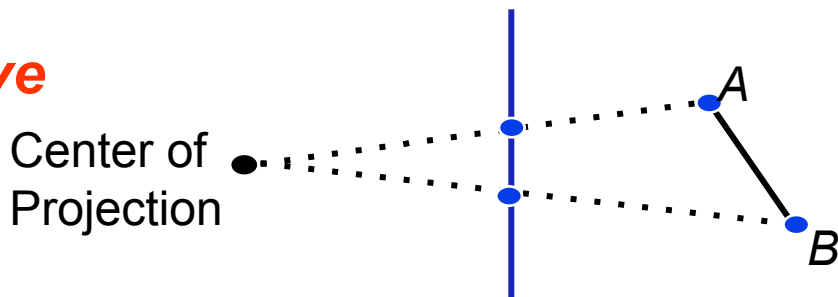


# Basic Projections

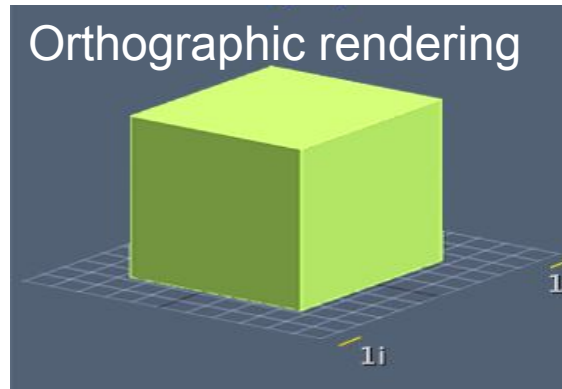
**Parallel**



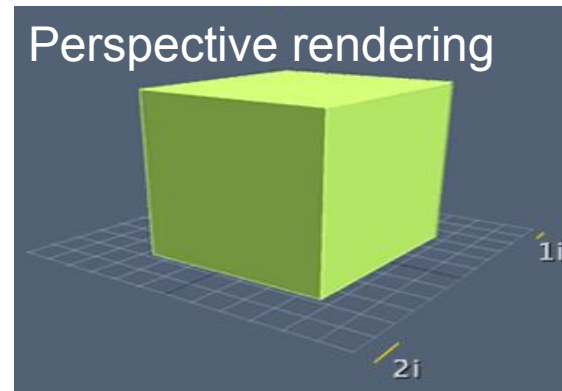
**Perspective**



Orthographic rendering



Perspective rendering



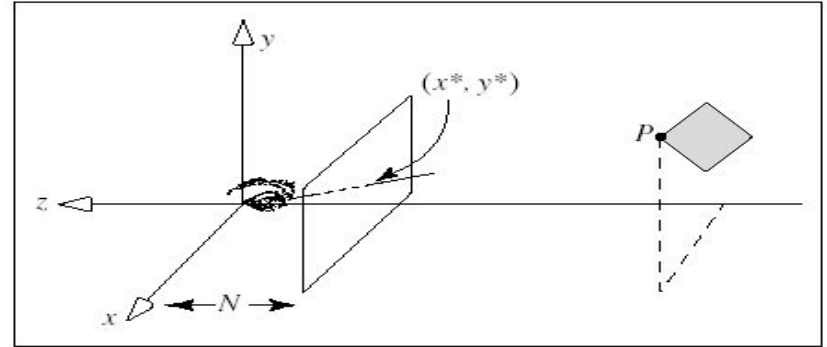
# Camera Coordinate System

*Camera at  $(0,0,0)$*

*Looking at  $-z$*

*Image plane (aka near plane)*

*at  $z = -N$*

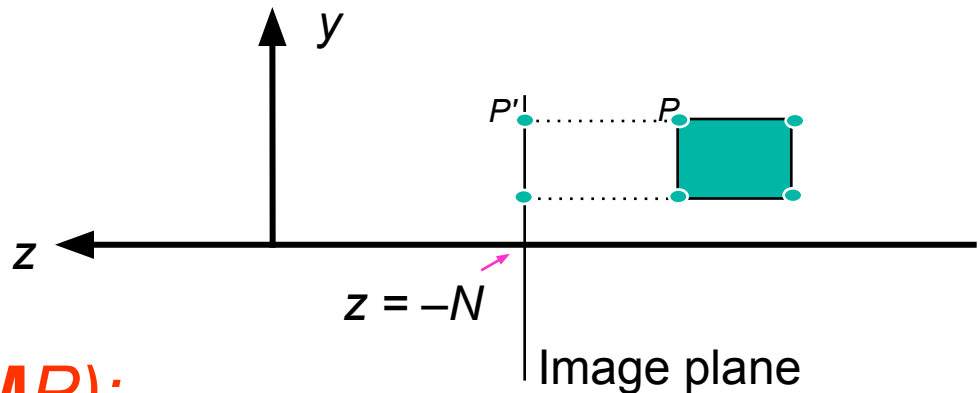


# Basic Orthographic Projection

$$P'_x = P_x$$

$$P'_y = P_y$$

$$P'_z = -N$$

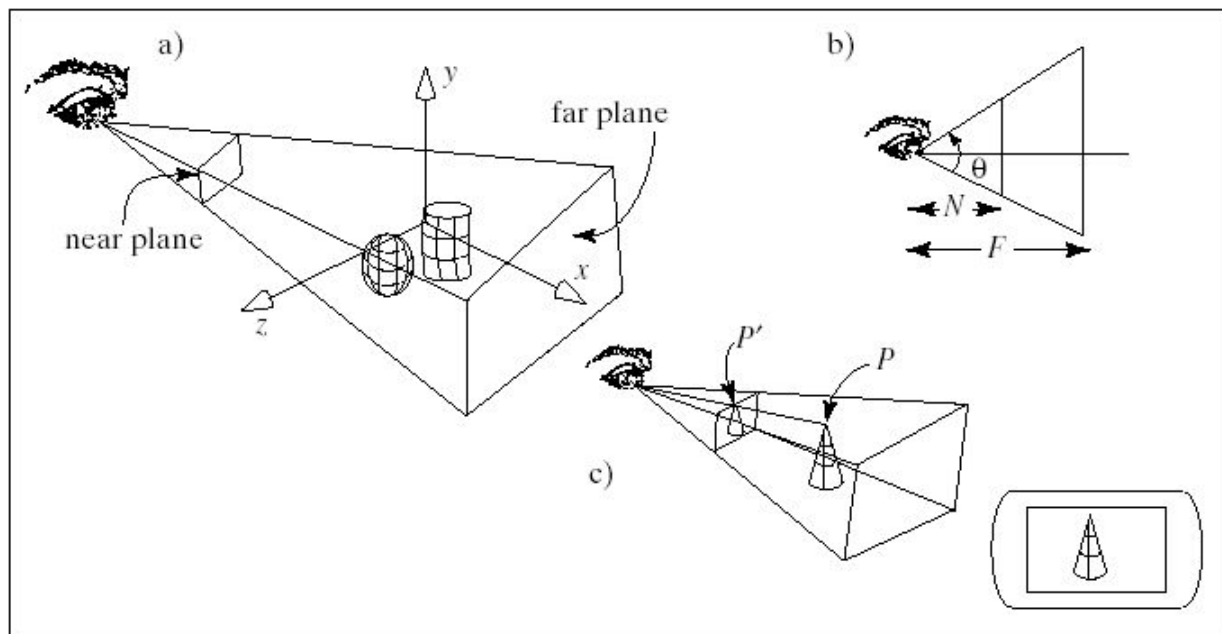


**Matrix Form ( $P' = MP$ ):**

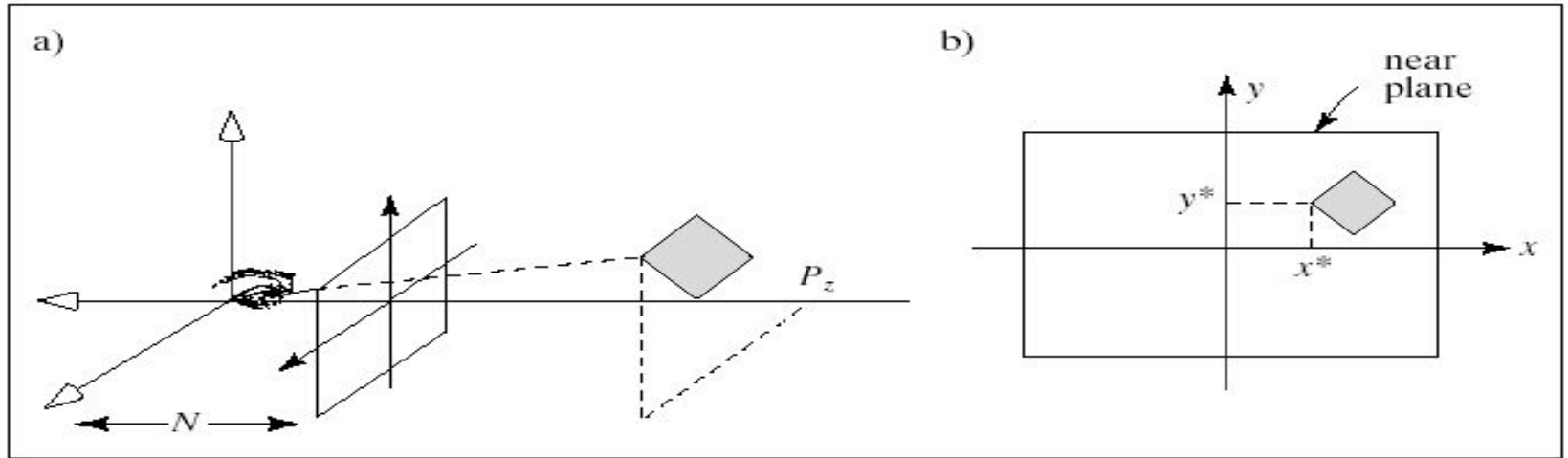
$$\begin{bmatrix} P'_x \\ P'_y \\ P'_z \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -N \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} P_x \\ P_y \\ P_z \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$



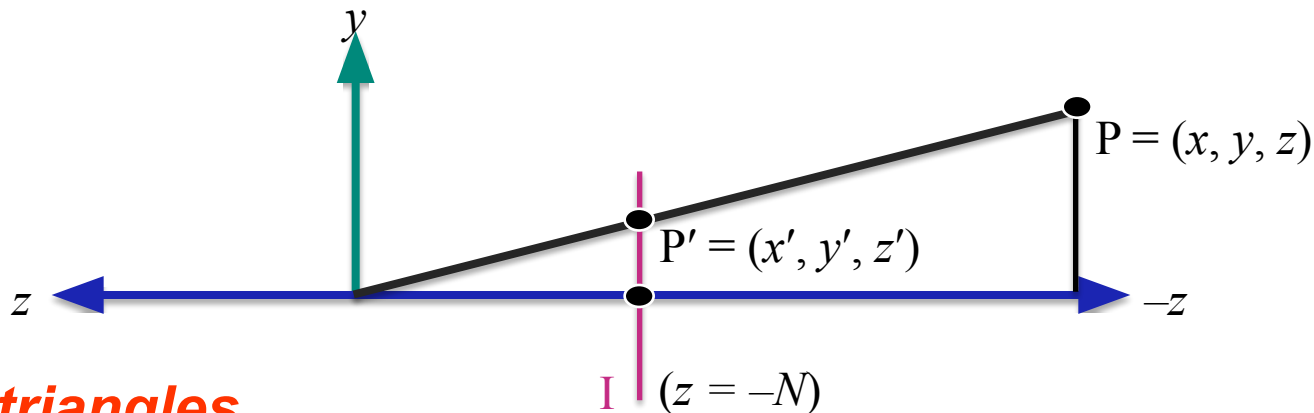
# Perspective Projection



# Perspective Projection of a Point



# Basic Perspective Projection



**Similar triangles**

$$y' / N = y / -z \quad \Rightarrow \quad P'_y = P_y N / -P_z$$

Similarly 
$$P'_x = P_x N / -P_z$$

$$P'_z = -N$$

***This is a non-linear transformation!***

# Observations

- Projection undefined for  $P_z = 0$
- If  $P$  is behind the eye,  
     $P_z$  changes sign
- Near plane just scales the picture
- Straight line  $\rightarrow$  straight line
- Perspective foreshortening

$$P'_x = -N \frac{P_x}{P_z}$$

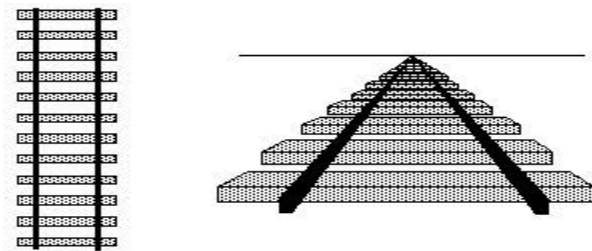
$$P'_y = -N \frac{P_y}{P_z}$$

$$P'_z = -N$$

# Be Able to Answer:

- *Given a point in  $x, y, z$  space, how do we calculate where it appears on the screen?*
- *How is the perspective projection different from affine transformations?*
- *What do perspective projections preserve?*
  - Parallel lines?
  - Ratios of points along a line?

# Perspective transforms



What happens to parallel lines during the transform?

What happens to ratios along straight lines?

# In Homogeneous Matrix Form

**Reminder:**

$$\begin{bmatrix} P_x \\ P_y \\ P_z \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} P_x \\ P_y \\ P_z \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{\times w} \begin{bmatrix} wP_x \\ wP_y \\ wP_z \\ w \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow[\div w]{\text{homogenize}} \begin{bmatrix} P_x \\ P_y \\ P_z \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} P_x \\ P_y \\ P_z \end{bmatrix}$$

(a line in 4D space)

**Perspective projection:**

$$\begin{bmatrix} P'_x \\ P'_y \\ P'_z \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} P_x N / (-P_z) \\ P_y N / (-P_z) \\ -N \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow[\times -P_z/N]{} \begin{bmatrix} P_x \\ P_y \\ P_z \\ -P_z/N \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1/N & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} P_x \\ P_y \\ P_z \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Therefore:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1/N & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} P_x \\ P_y \\ P_z \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow[\div -P_z/N]{\text{and then: homogenize}} \begin{bmatrix} P'_x \\ P'_y \\ P'_z \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

**Matrix M**

$\div -P_z/N$

Homogenization step:  
"Perspective Division"  
(divide by  $w = -P_z/N$ )

# Perspective Projection of a Line

$$L(t) = \mathbf{P} + \mathbf{v}t = \begin{bmatrix} P_x \\ P_y \\ P_z \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} v_x \\ v_y \\ v_z \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} t$$

*Perspective Division &  
drop fourth coordinate*





# Is it still a line?

$$\text{Original: } L(t) = \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} P_x + v_x t \\ P_y + v_y t \\ P_z + v_z t \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{Projected: } L'(t) = \begin{bmatrix} x' \\ y' \\ z' \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -Nx / z \\ -Ny / z \\ -N \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -N(P_x + v_x t) / (P_z + v_z t) \\ -N(P_y + v_y t) / (P_z + v_z t) \\ -N \end{bmatrix}$$

$$x' = -N(P_x + v_x t) / (P_z + v_z t) \Rightarrow x'(P_z + v_z t) = -N(P_x + v_x t) \Rightarrow$$

$$x' P_z + x' v_z t = -N P_x - N v_x t \Rightarrow \begin{cases} x' P_z + N P_x = -(x' v_z + N v_x) t \\ \text{and similarly for y:} \\ y' P_z + N P_y = -(y' v_z + N v_y) t \end{cases}$$

# Is it still a line? (cont'd)

$$\left. \begin{aligned} x'P_z + NP_x &= -(x'v_z + Nv_x)t \\ y'P_z + NP_y &= -(y'v_z + Nv_y)t \end{aligned} \right| \Rightarrow \left. \begin{aligned} x'P_z + NP_x &= -(x'v_z + Nv_x)t \\ (y'v_z + Nv_y)t &= -(y'P_z + NP_y) \end{aligned} \right| \Rightarrow$$

Multiply the two equations  
and divide through by  $t$

$$(x'P_z + NP_x)(y'v_z + Nv_y) = (x'v_z + Nv_x)(y'P_z + NP_y) \Rightarrow$$

$$\underbrace{(x'P_z y'v_z)} + x'P_z Nv_y + NP_x y'v_z + N^2 P_x v_y = \underbrace{(x'v_z y'P_z)} + x'v_z NP_y + Nv_x y'P_z + N^2 P_y v_x \Rightarrow$$

$$(P_z Nc_y - v_z NP_y)x' + (NP_x v_z + Nv_x P_z)y' + N^2 (P_x v_y + P_y v_x) = 0 \Rightarrow$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{ax' + by' + c = 0} \text{ which is the equation of a line in the } x'-y' \text{ plane}$$

# But is There a Difference?

$$\text{Original: } L(t) = \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} P_x + v_x t \\ P_y + v_y t \\ P_z + v_z t \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{Projected: } L'(t) = \begin{bmatrix} x' \\ y' \\ z' \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -Nx / z \\ -Ny / z \\ -N \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -N(P_x + v_x t) / (P_z + v_z t) \\ -N(P_y + v_y t) / (P_z + v_z t) \\ -N \end{bmatrix}$$

# But is There a Difference?

*The “speed along the lines” if  $v_z \neq 0$*

$$\text{Original: } L(t) = \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} P_x + v_x t \\ P_y + v_y t \\ P_z + v_z t \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow \frac{\partial L(t)}{\partial t} = \begin{bmatrix} v_x \\ v_y \\ v_z \end{bmatrix} = \mathbf{v}$$

$$\text{Projected: } L'(t) = \begin{bmatrix} x' \\ y' \\ z' \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -Nx/z \\ -Ny/z \\ -N \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -N(P_x + v_x t)/(P_z + v_z t) \\ -N(P_y + v_y t)/(P_z + v_z t) \\ -N \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow$$

$$\frac{\partial x'}{\partial t} = -N \frac{\partial}{\partial t} ((P_x + v_x t)/(P_z + v_z t)) = -N \frac{v_x(P_z + v_z t) - (P_x + v_x t)v_z}{(P_z + v_z t)^2} = -N \frac{v_x P_z - P_x v_z}{(P_z + v_z t)^2} \Rightarrow$$

$$\frac{\partial L'(t)}{\partial t} = \frac{-N}{(P_z + v_z t)^2} \begin{bmatrix} v_x P_z - P_x v_z \\ v_y P_z - P_y v_z \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

As time  $t$  tends to infinity, the speed along the projected line  $L'$  tends to zero

# Effect of Perspective Projection on Lines

## Line equations

$$\text{Original: } L(t) = \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} P_x + v_x t \\ P_y + v_y t \\ P_z + v_z t \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{Projected: } L'(t) = \begin{bmatrix} x' \\ y' \\ z' \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -Nx / z \\ -Ny / z \\ -N \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -N(P_x + v_x t) / (P_z + v_z t) \\ -N(P_y + v_y t) / (P_z + v_z t) \\ -N \end{bmatrix}$$

*If lines in space are parallel to the image plane then:*

$$v_z = 0 \rightarrow L'(t) = -\frac{N}{P_z} \begin{bmatrix} P_x + v_x t \\ P_y + v_y t \\ P_z \end{bmatrix}$$

slope of line:  $\frac{v_y}{v_x}$

So, parallel lines parallel to the image plane remain parallel

# Effect of Perspective Projection on Lines

## *Line equations (again)*

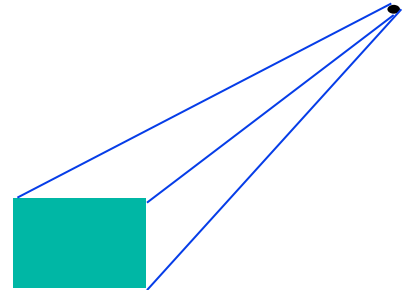
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$$\text{Projected: } L'(t) = \begin{bmatrix} x' \\ y' \\ z' \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -Nx / z \\ -Ny / z \\ -N \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -N(P_x + v_x t) / (P_z + v_z t) \\ -N(P_y + v_y t) / (P_z + v_z t) \\ -N \end{bmatrix}$$

*If lines are not parallel to the image plane then:*

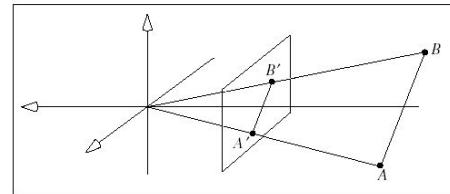
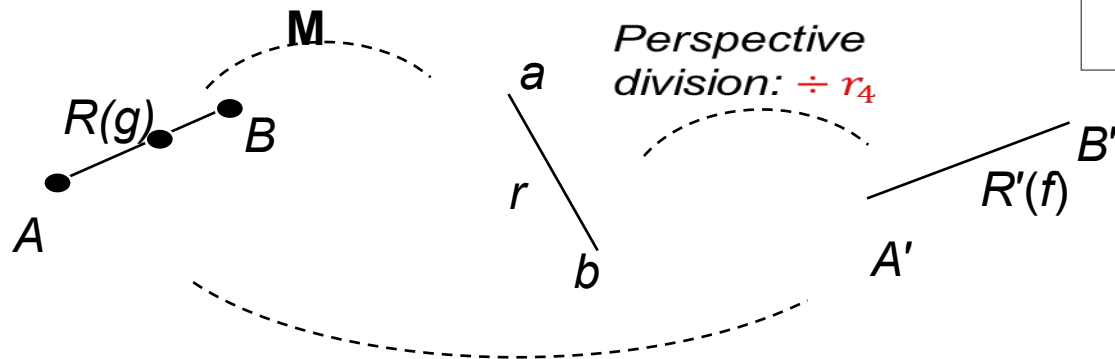
$$v_z \neq 0 \rightarrow \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} L'(t) = \begin{bmatrix} -Nv_x / v_z \\ -Nv_y / v_z \\ -N \end{bmatrix}$$

Lines converge to a **vanishing point**



# Foreshortening: In-Between Points on Perspective-Projected Lines

*How do points on lines transform?*



In View Coordinate System (VCS):  $R(g) = (1 - g)A + gB$

Projected homogeneous 4D:  $r = \mathbf{M}R$

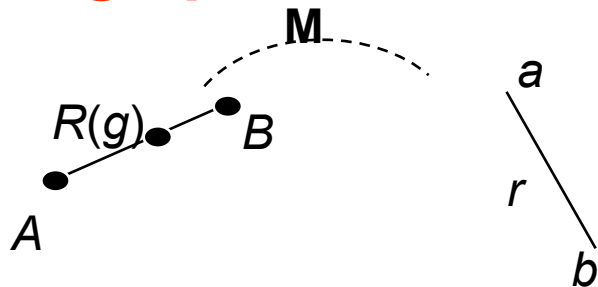
Projected homogeneous 3D:  $R'(f) = (1 - f)A' + fB'$

**$g$  and  $f$  are not the same**

**What is the relationship between  $g$  and  $f$ ?**

# First Step

*Viewing space to homogeneous space (4D)*



$$R = (1 - g)A + gB$$

$$a = \mathbf{M}A = [a_1, a_2, a_3, a_4]^T$$

$$b = \mathbf{M}B = [b_1, b_2, b_3, b_4]^T$$

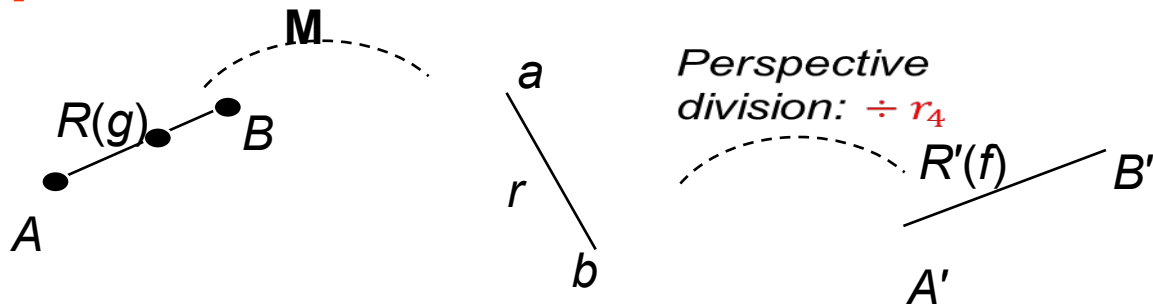
$$r = \mathbf{M}R = \mathbf{M}[(1 - g)A + gB] = (1 - g)\mathbf{M}A + g\mathbf{M}B \Rightarrow$$

$$r = (1 - g)a + gb$$



# Second Step

## Perspective division

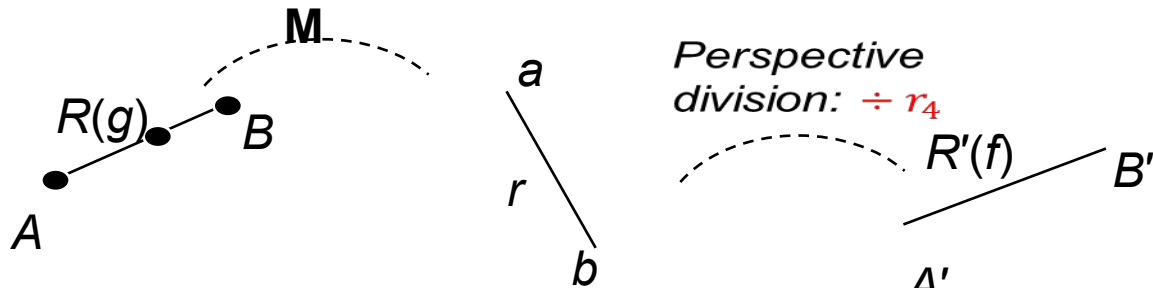


$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} r = (1 - g)a + gb \\ a = [a_1, a_2, a_3, a_4]^T \\ b = [b_1, b_2, b_3, b_4]^T \end{array} \right\} \Rightarrow$$

$$R'_1 = \frac{r_1}{r_4} = \frac{(1 - g)a_1 + gb_1}{(1 - g)a_4 + gb_4}$$

And similarly for  $R'_2$  and  $R'_3$  ( $R'_4 = 1$ )

# Putting it Together



$$R'_1 = \frac{(1-g)a_1 + gb_1}{(1-g)a_4 + gb_4} = \frac{\text{lerp}(a_1, b_1, g)}{\text{lerp}(a_4, b_4, g)}$$

lerp: linear Interpolation  
(done by hardware acceleration)

Furthermore:

$$R' = (1-f)A' + fB' \Rightarrow R'_1 = (1-f)A'_1 + fB'_1$$

$$R'_1 = (1-f)\frac{a_1}{a_4} + f\frac{b_1}{b_4} = \text{lerp}\left(\frac{a_1}{a_4}, \frac{b_1}{b_4}, f\right)$$

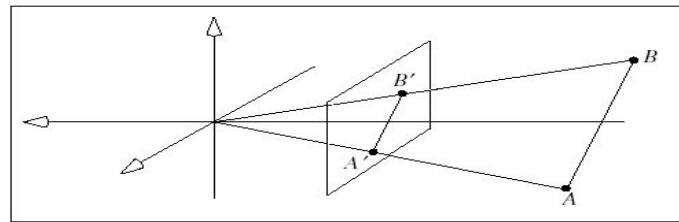
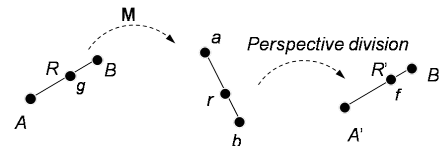
# Relation Between the Fractions

$$\left. \begin{aligned} R'_1(f) &= \frac{\text{lerp}(a_1, b_1, g)}{\text{lerp}(a_4, b_4, g)} \\ R'_1(f) &= \text{lerp}\left(\frac{a_1}{a_4}, \frac{b_1}{b_4}, f\right) \end{aligned} \right\} \Rightarrow g = \frac{f}{\text{lerp}\left(\frac{b_4}{a_4}, 1, f\right)}$$

substituting this in  $R(g) = (1 - g)A + gB$  yields

$$R_1 = \frac{\text{lerp}\left(\frac{A_1}{a_4}, \frac{B_1}{b_4}, f\right)}{\text{lerp}\left(\frac{1}{a_4}, \frac{1}{b_4}, f\right)}$$

similarly for  $R_2$  &  $R_3$



**WHAT THIS MEANS:** For a given  $f$  in **image space** and  $A, B$  in **viewing space**, we can find the corresponding  $R$  (or  $g$ ) in **viewing space** using the above formula

This works if “ $A$ ”, “ $B$ ” are **positions, texture coordinates, color, normals**, etc.

So, it is generally VERY useful during rasterization (to be covered later)

# Summary

*Perspective projection is non-linear*

*Lines project to lines*

*Parallel lines either project to parallel lines or they intersect at the vanishing point*

*Foreshortening of projected lines and the “Inbetweenness” relationship*