



# Geometry Representation

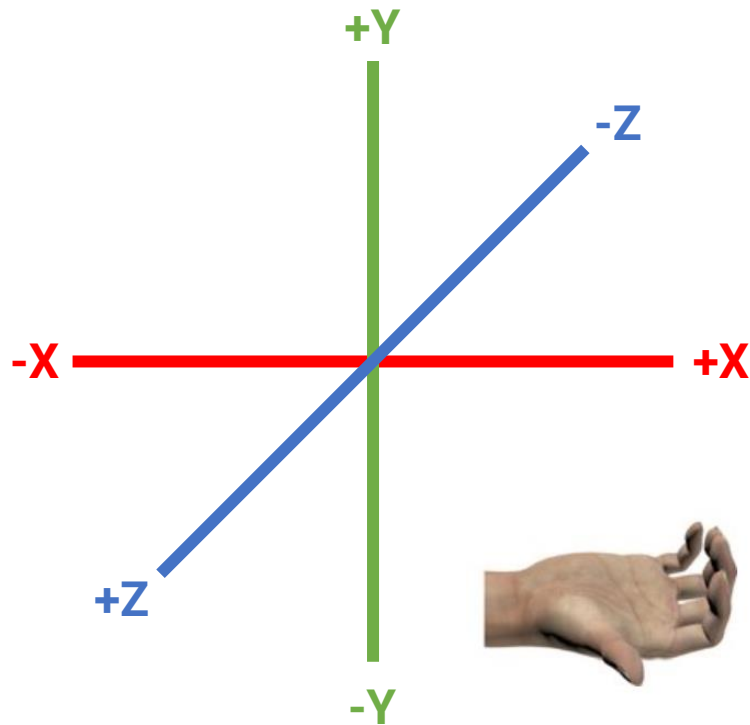
**Introduction to Computer Graphics**

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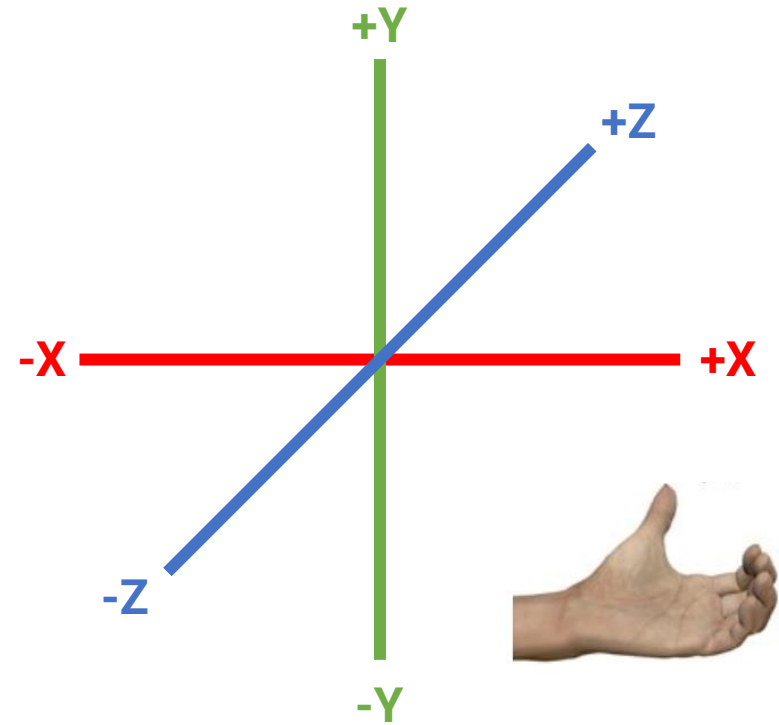
# Define the 3D World

# Description of the 3D World

- 3D coordinate systems

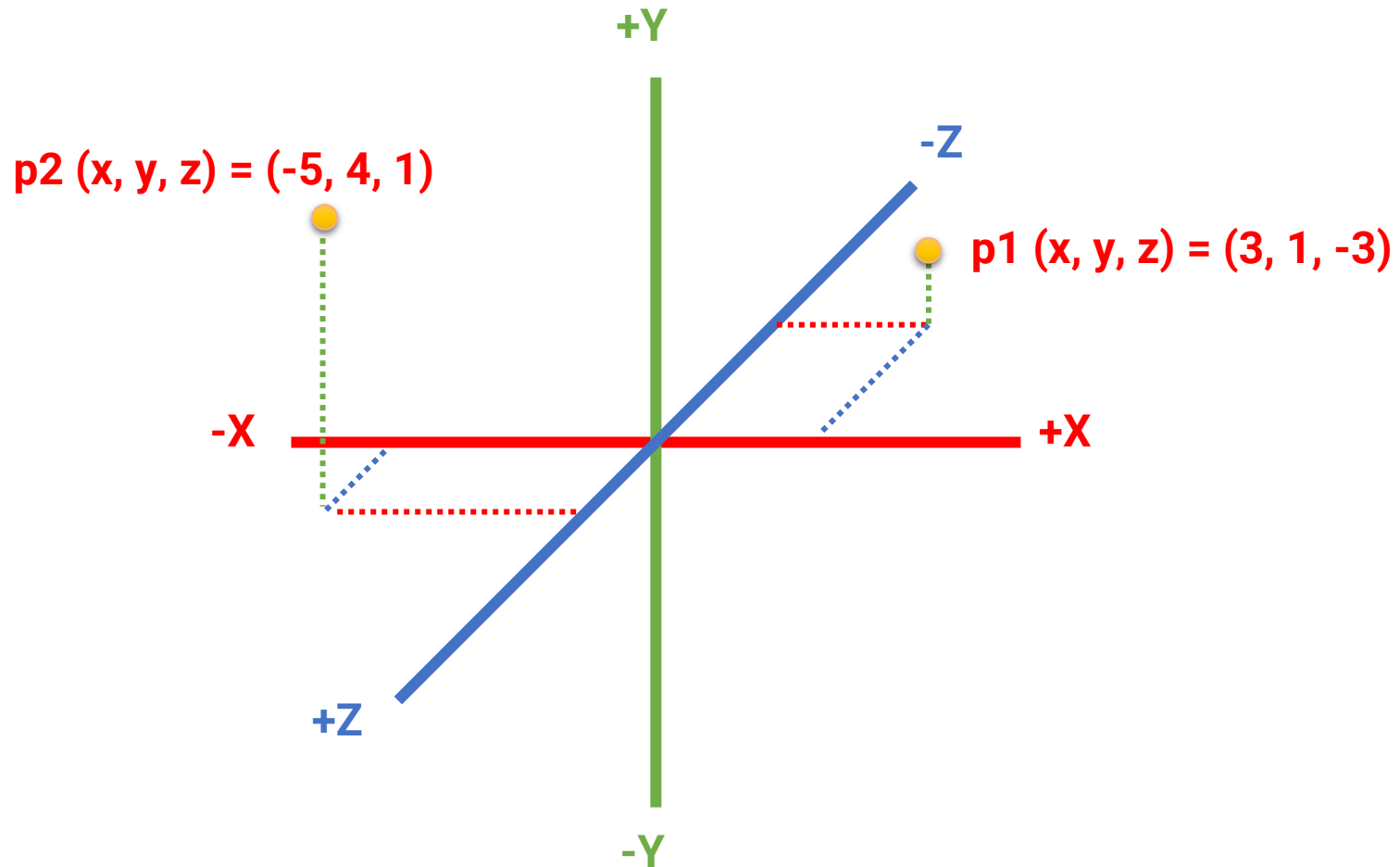


**OpenGL**  
(Right-Hand-Side)



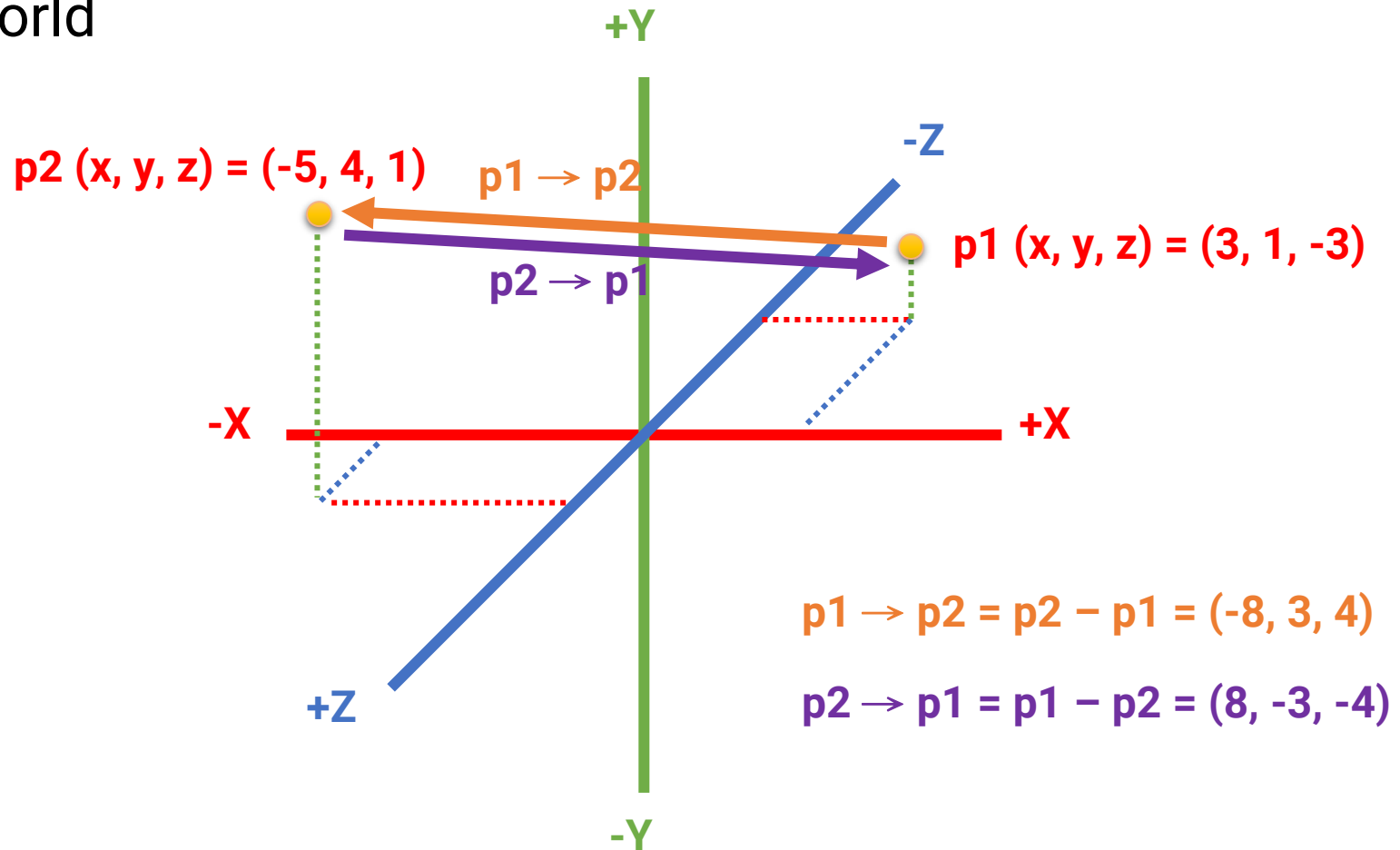
**DirectX**  
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# Points in 3D

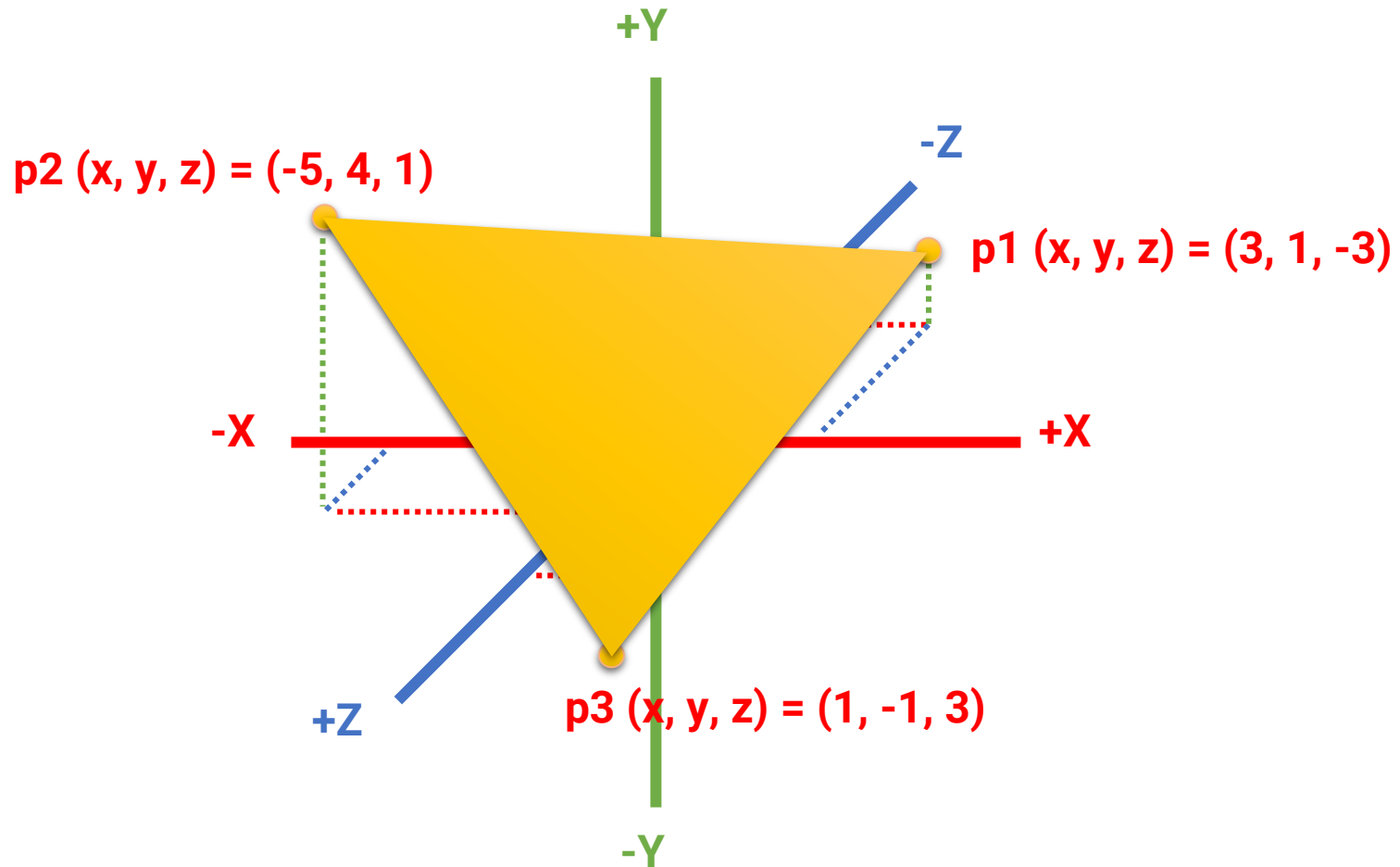


# Vector in 3D Space

- Use to represent direction (e.g., movement) in the 3D world

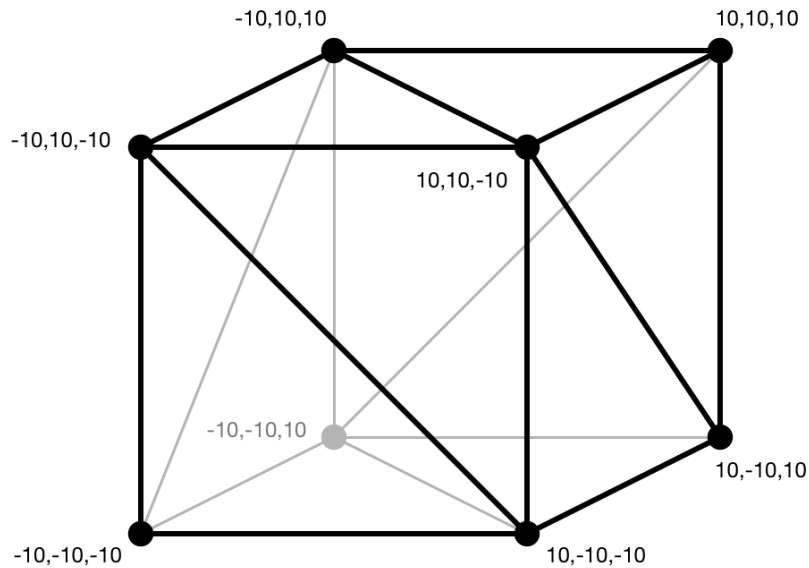


# Triangles in 3D

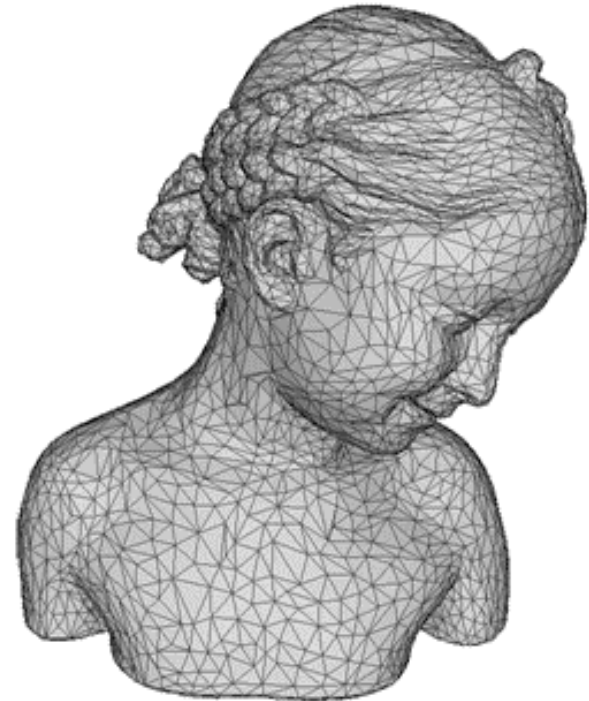


# Triangle Mesh

- We can define the geometry of an object by specifying the coordinates of the vertices and their adjacencies



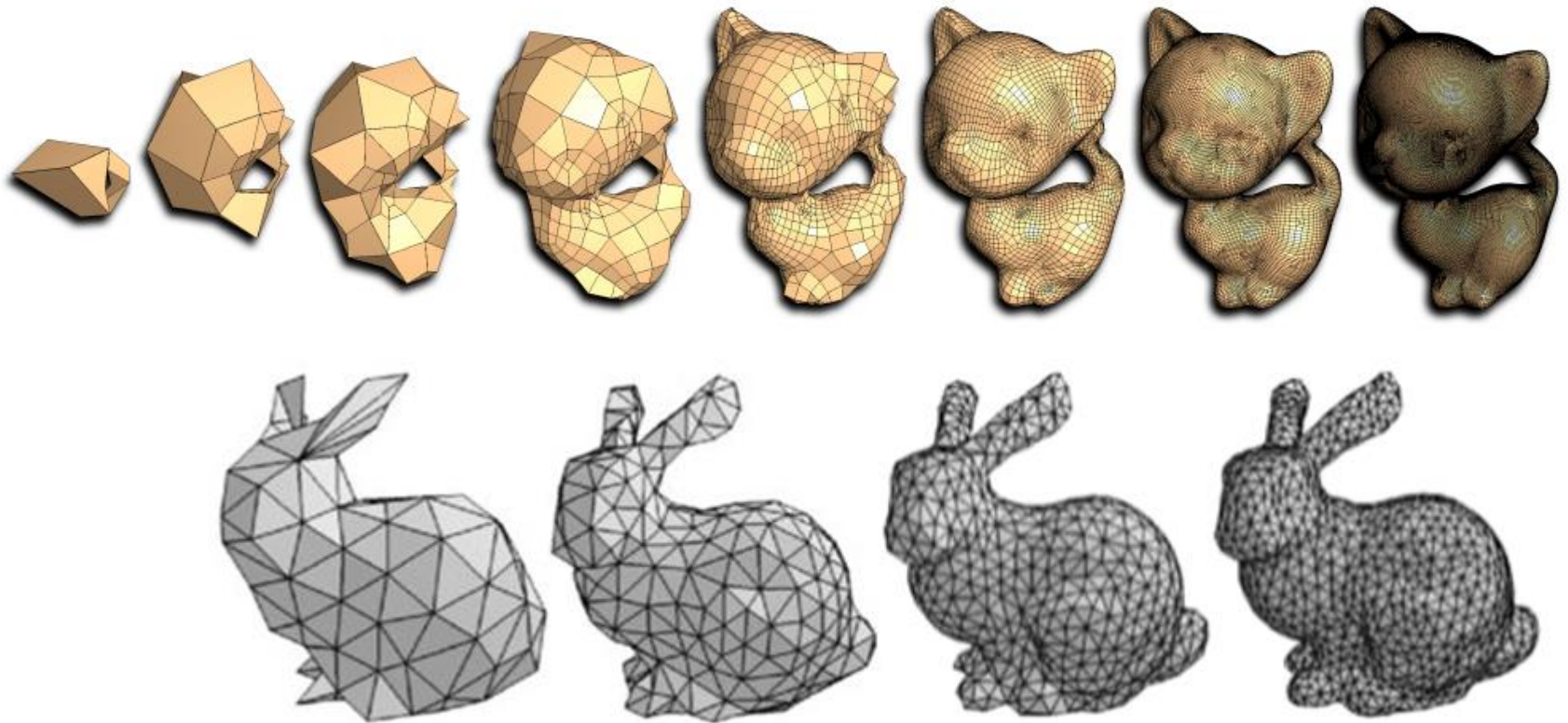
12 triangles



10K triangles

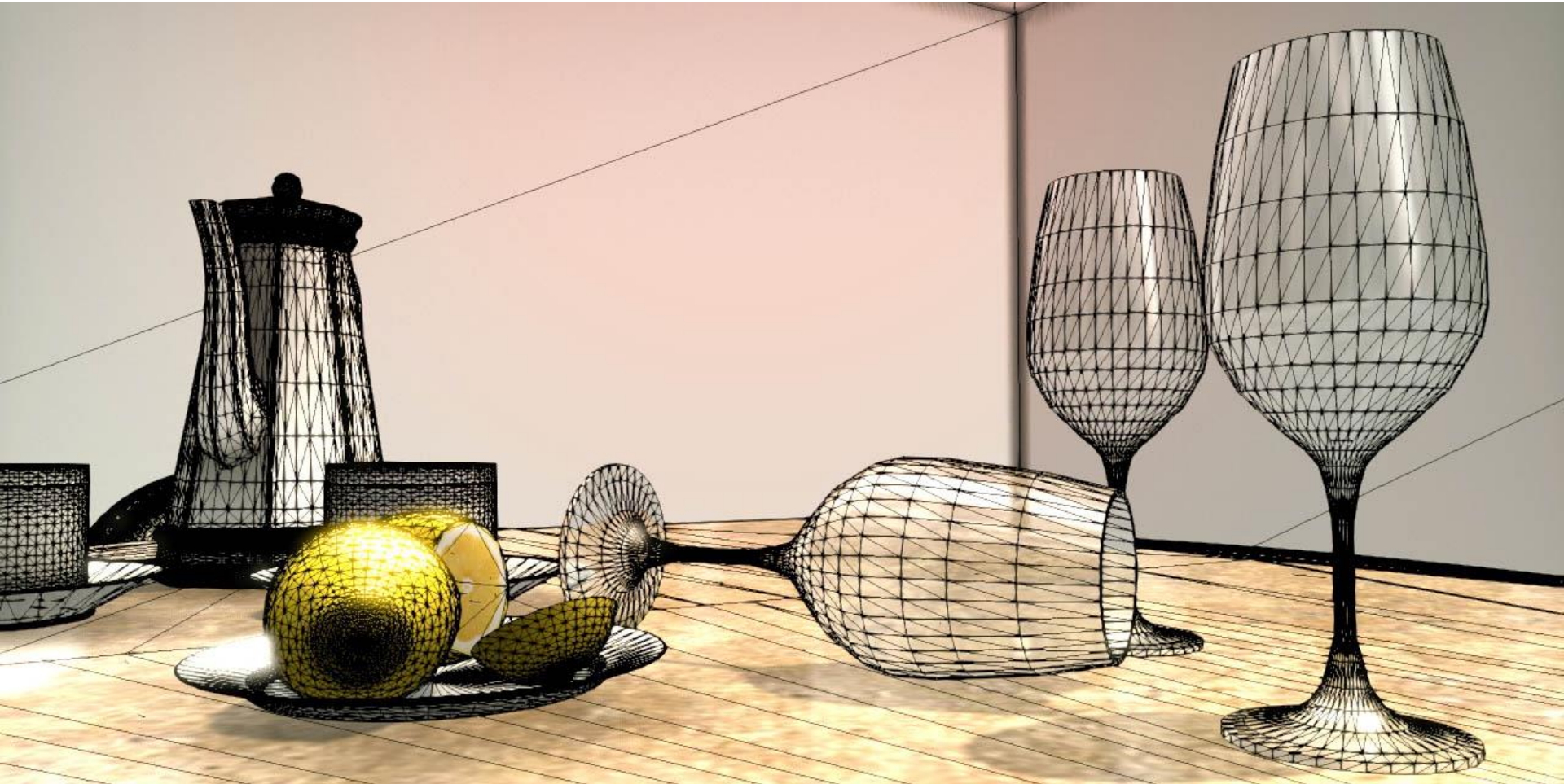
# Triangle Mesh (cont.)

- Using more triangles can lead to higher-quality meshes
  - However, takes more time to render



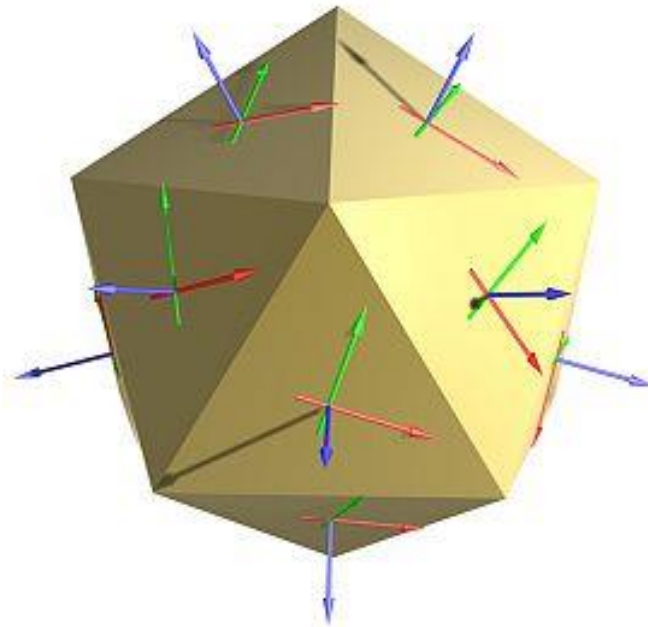


# Scene Built with Triangle Mesh



# Surface Normal

- A **surface normal** is a vector that is **perpendicular** to a surface at a particular position
- Represent the orientation of the face

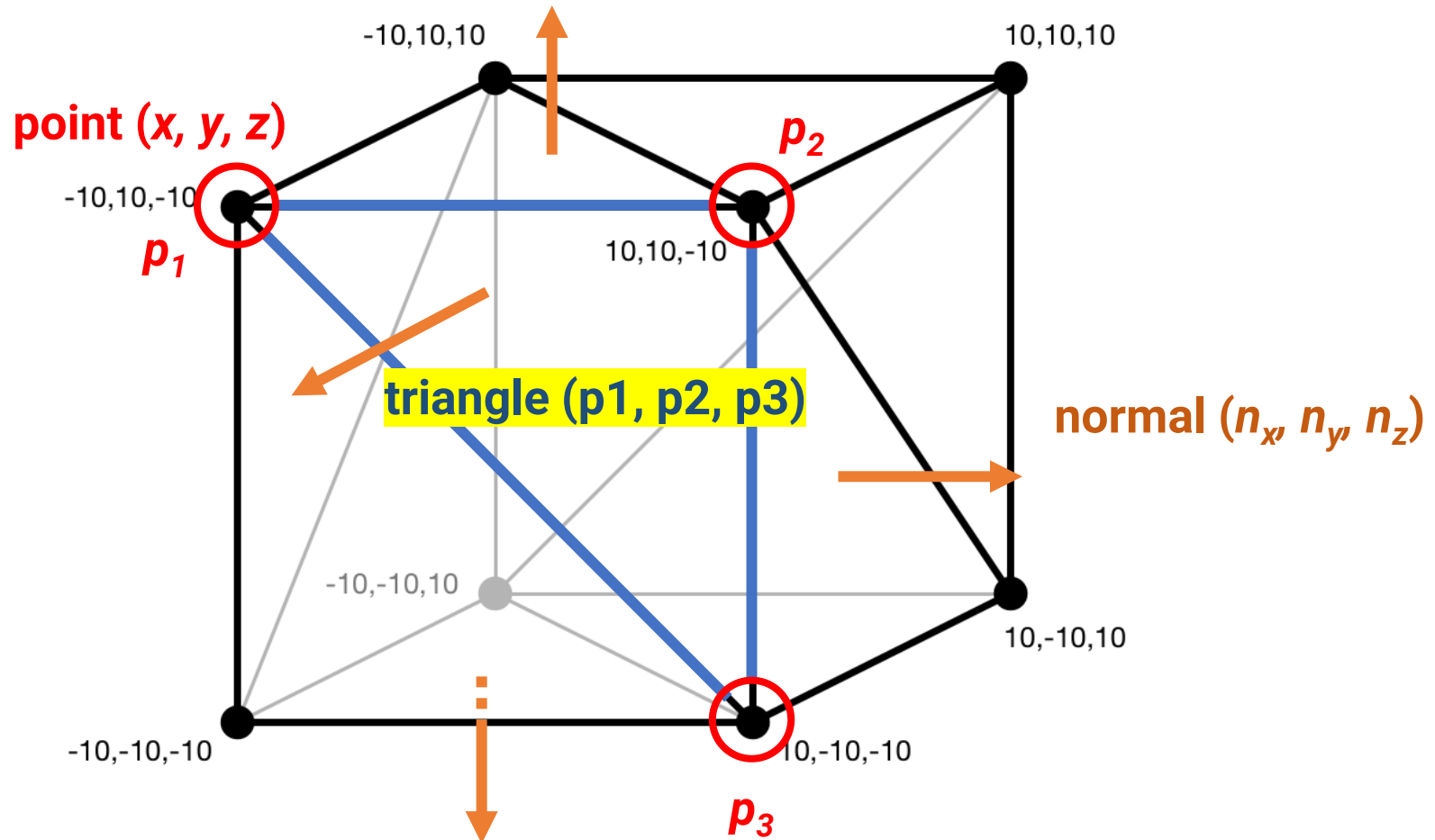


→ normal ( $n_x, n_y, n_z$ )

→ tangent

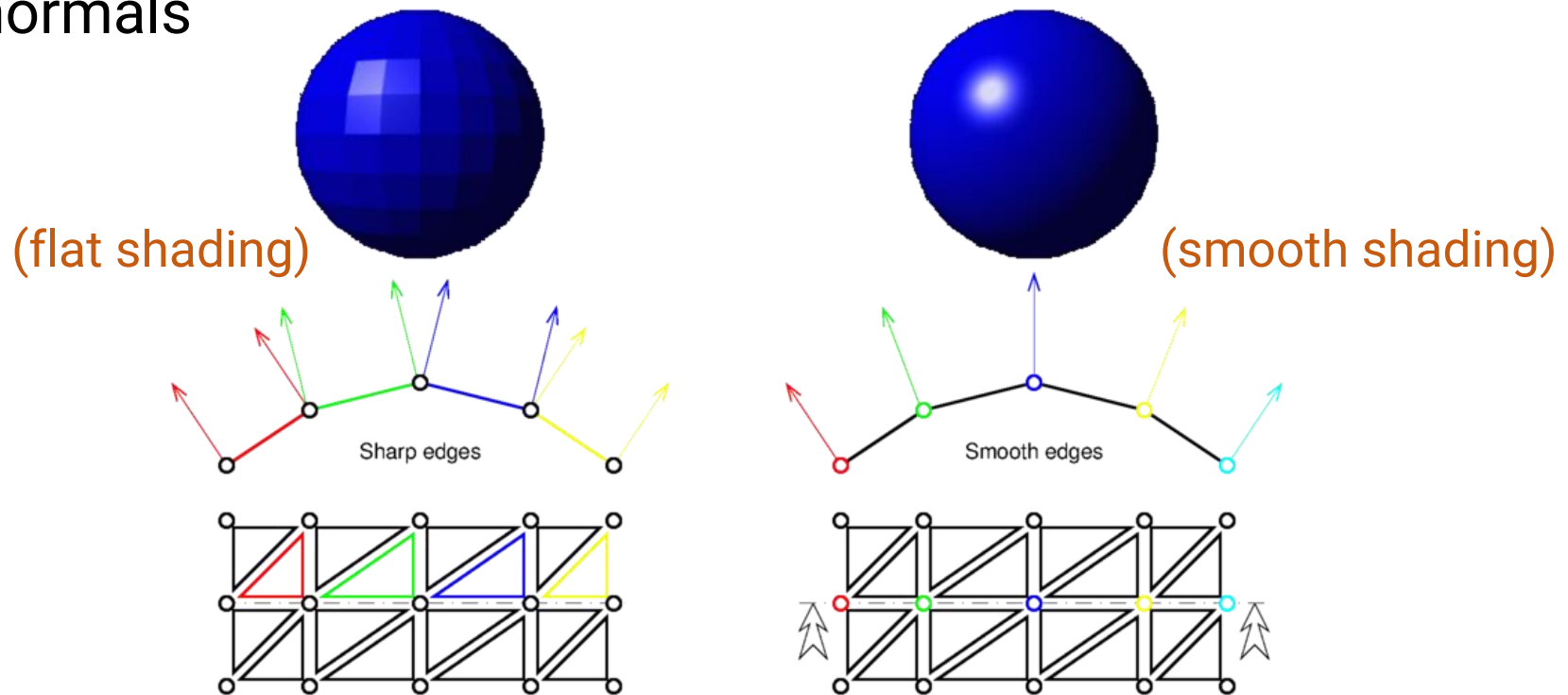
→ binormal

# Point, Triangle, and Surface Normal



# Vertex Normal

- Compute by **averaging** the surface normals of the faces that contain that vertex
- Can achieve much **smooth** shading than using triangle normals



# 3D Model Format

- A model is often stored in a file
- Common file format includes
  - **Wavefront (\*.obj)**
  - Polygon file format (\*.ply)
  - **Filmbox (\*.fbx)**
  - MAX (\*.max)
  - Digital Asset Exchange File (\*.dae)
  - STereoLithography (\*.stl)

# Example: Wavefront OBJ File Format

- cube.obj

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cube.obj - 記事本
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# Unit-volume cube with the same texture coordinates on each face.
#
# Created by Morgan McGuire and released into the Public Domain on
# July 16, 2011.
#
# http://graphics.cs.williams.edu/data
mtllib default.mtl
v -0.5 0.5 -0.5
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comments

specify material file

vertex position declaration

vertex texture coordinate declaration

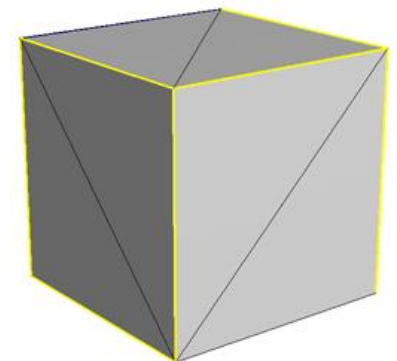
vertex normal declaration

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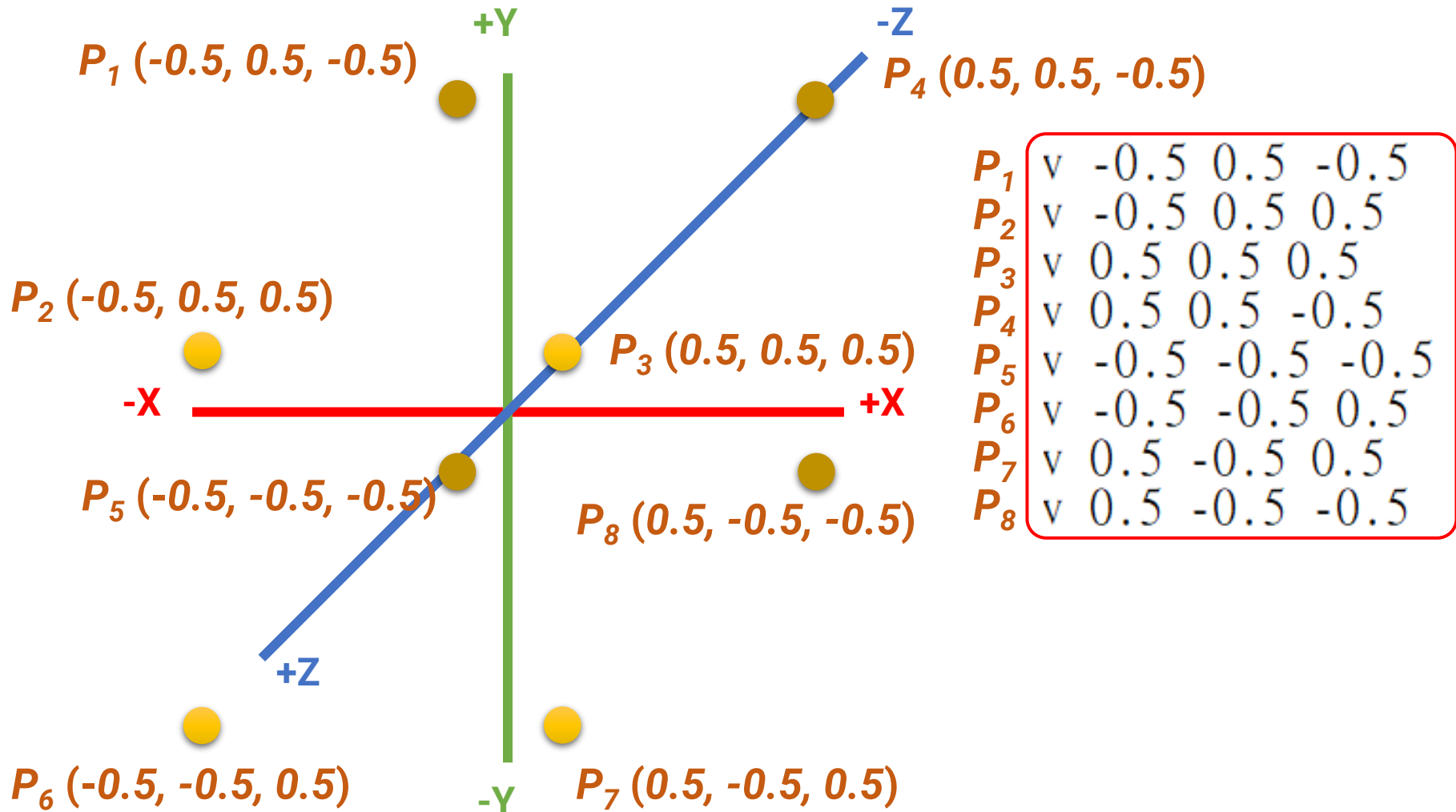
g cube
usemtl default
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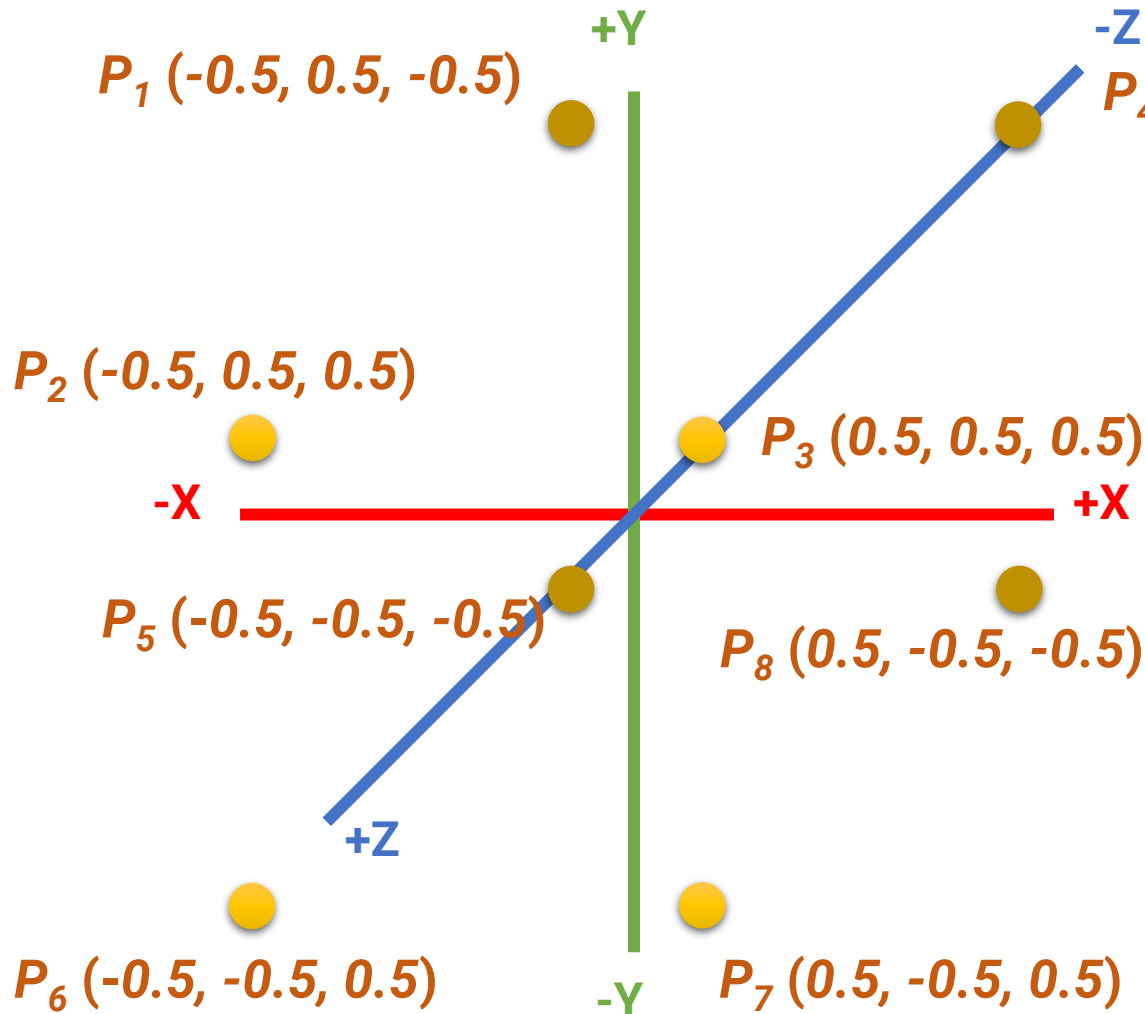
face data  
(adjacency, submesh)



# Example: Wavefront OBJ File Format (cont.)



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$F_4$	f	-8/-4/-5	-3/-2/-5	-7/-1/-5
$F_5$	f	-6/-4/-4	-2/-3/-4	-1/-2/-4
$F_6$	f	-6/-4/-4	-1/-2/-4	-5/-1/-4
$F_7$	f	-5/-4/-3	-1/-3/-3	-4/-2/-3
$F_8$	f	-5/-4/-3	-4/-2/-3	-8/-1/-3
$F_9$	f	-7/-4/-2	-3/-3/-2	-2/-2/-2
$F_{10}$	f	-7/-4/-2	-2/-2/-2	-6/-1/-2
$F_{11}$	f	-3/-4/-1	-4/-3/-1	-1/-2/-1
$F_{12}$	f	-3/-4/-1	-1/-2/-1	-2/-1/-1

**vertex1 vertex2 vertex3**

**f P/T/N P/T/N P/T/N**

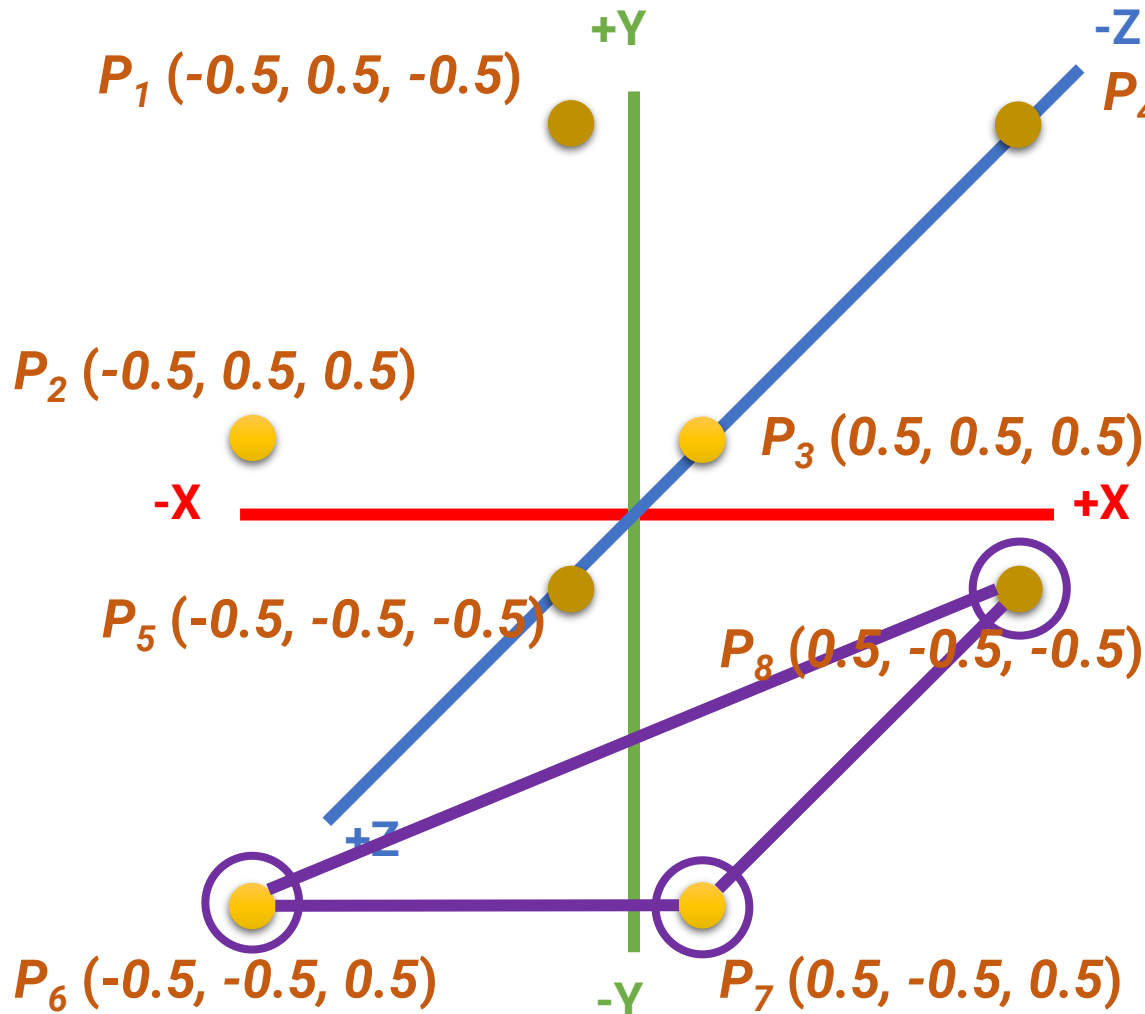
**P: index of vertex position**

**T: index of texture coordinate**

**N: index of vertex normal**



# Example: Wavefront OBJ File Format (cont.)



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**vertex1 vertex2 vertex3**

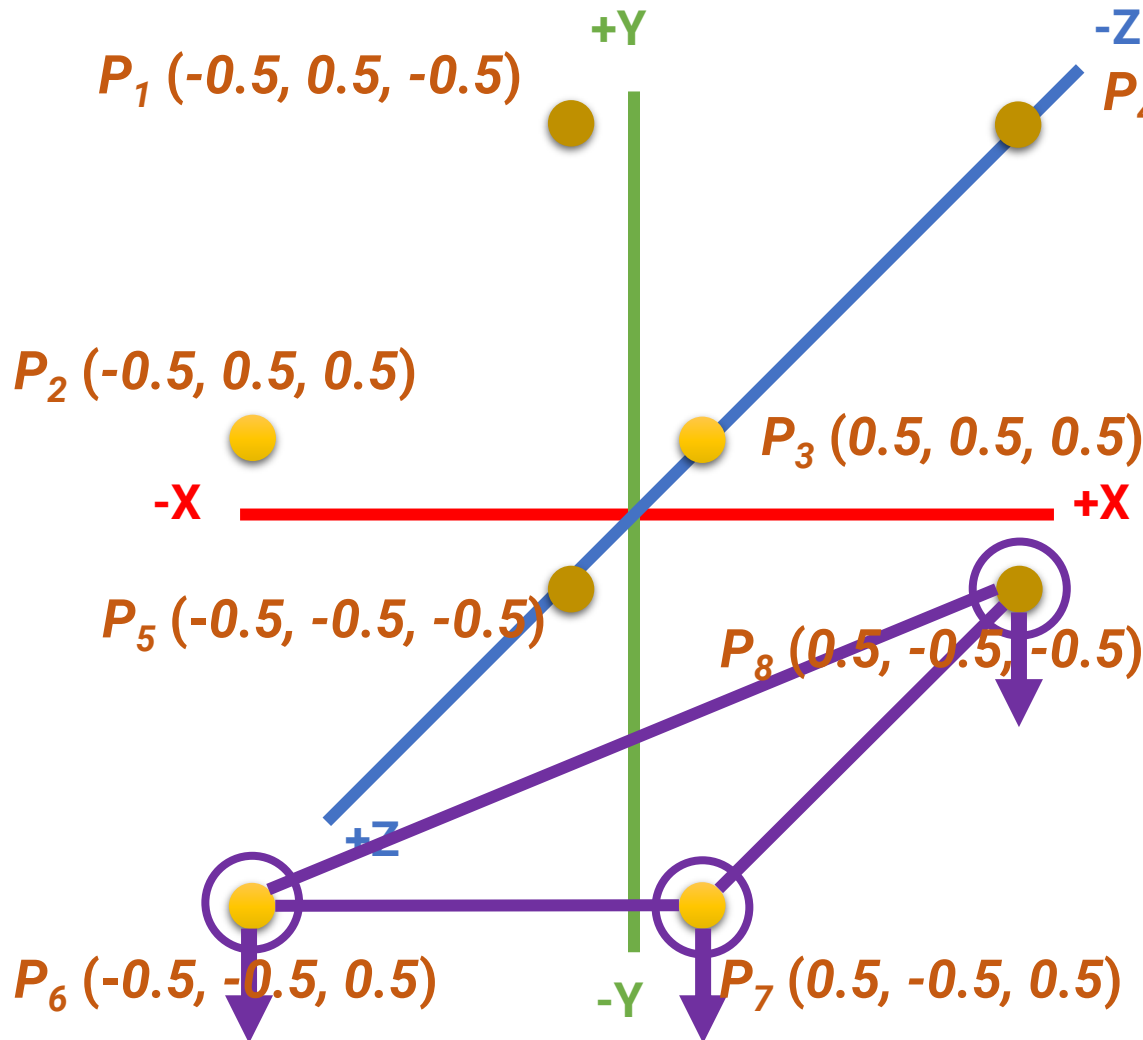
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**P: index of vertex position**

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# Example: Wavefront OBJ File Format (cont.)



$F_1$  f -8/-4/-6 -7/-3/-6 -6/-2/-6

$N_1$  vn 0 1 0

$N_2$  vn -1 0 0

$N_3$  vn 1 0 0

$N_4$  vn 0 0 -1

$N_5$  vn 0 0 1

$N_6$  vn 0 -1 0

vertex1 vertex2 vertex3

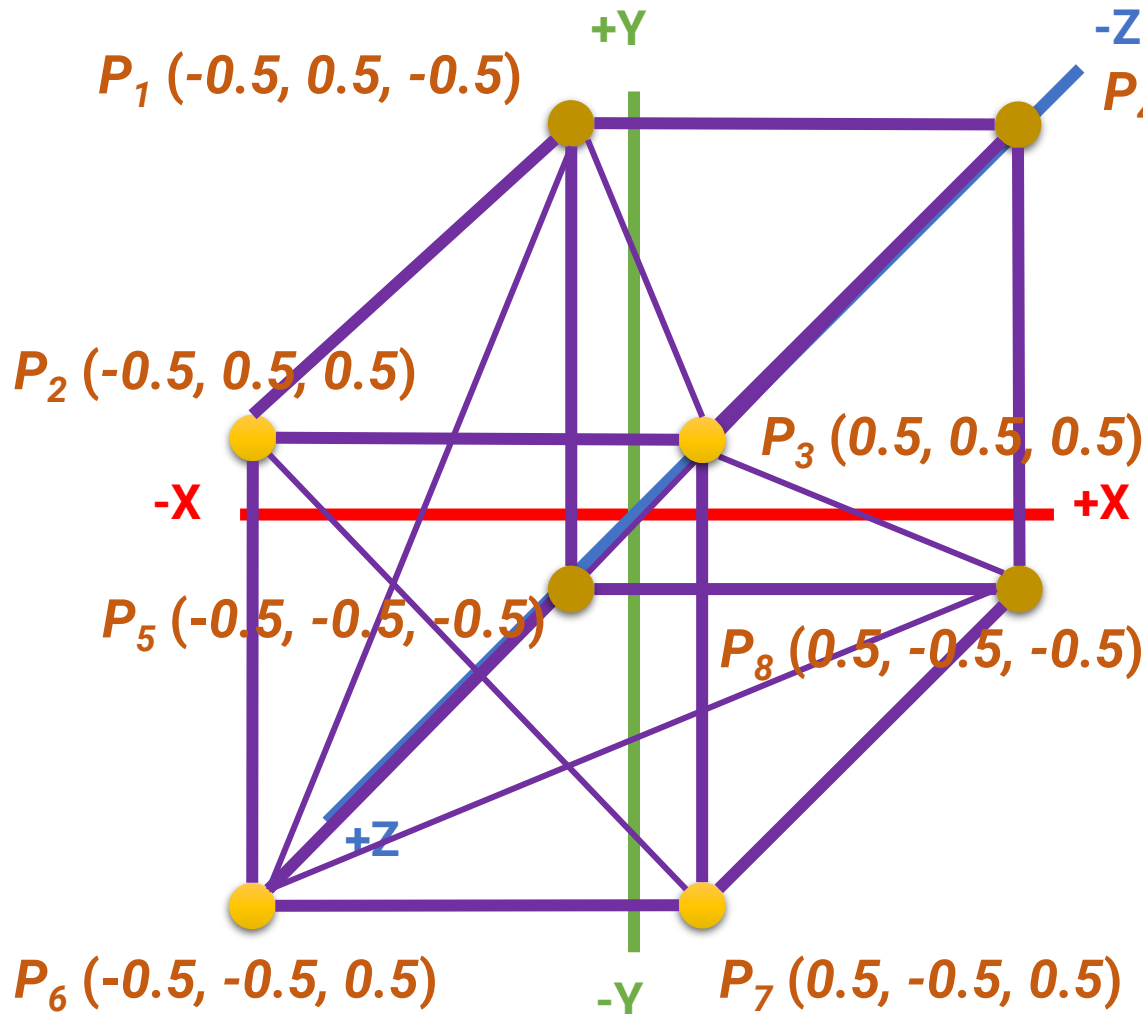
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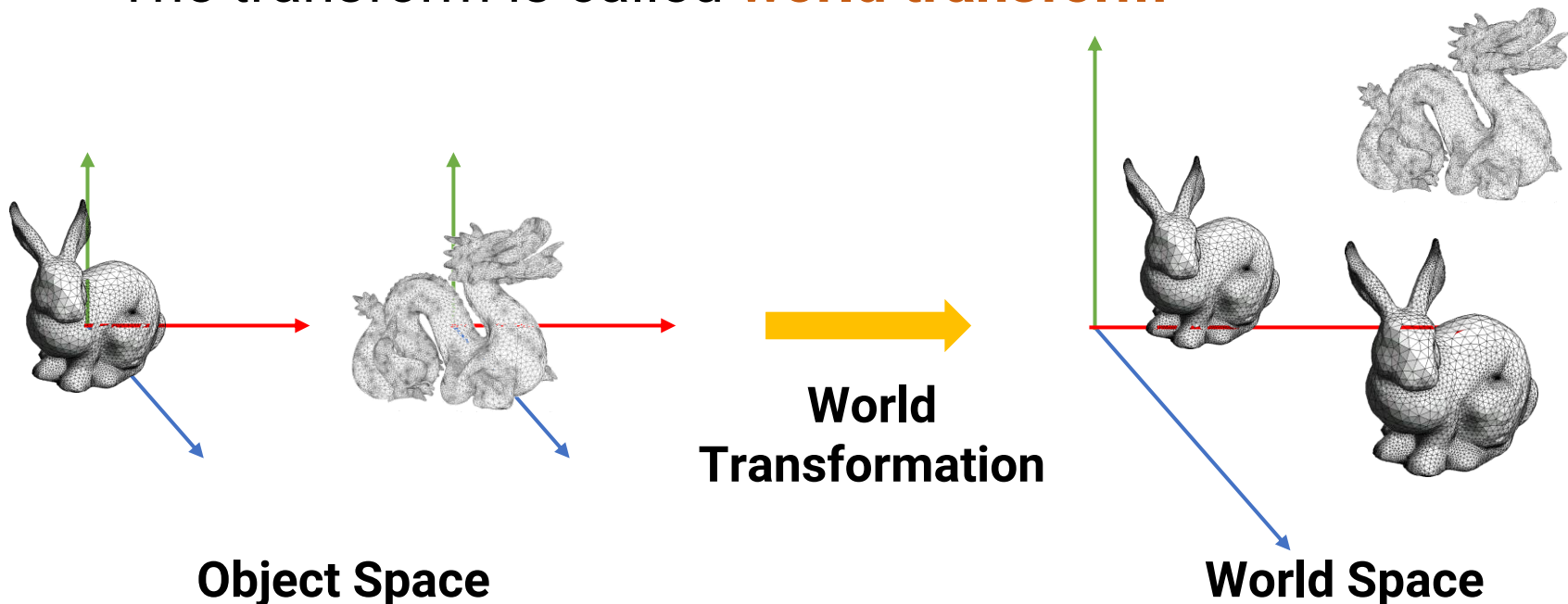
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# Transformation

# World Space and World Coordinate

- Objects are defined in **object space** **individually**
- When building a scene, each object is transformed to a **global** and **unique** space called **world space**
- The transform is called **world transform**



# World Space and World Coordinate (cont.)

- Advantages for using “transformation”
  - **Reuse model:** design a model and use it in several scenes
  - **Memory saving:** store a 4x4 matrix instead of duplication of the entire models



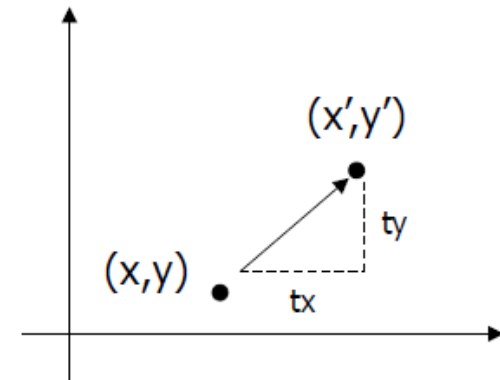
# Common Transformations

- Translation
- Scaling
- Rotation

# 2D Translation

- Given a point  $p(x, y)$  and a translation offset  $T(t_x, t_y)$ , the new point  $p'(x', y')$  after translation is  $p' = p + T$

$$\begin{aligned}x' &= x + t_x \\y' &= y + t_y\end{aligned}$$



- Can be represented as** Matrix-vector multiplication

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



# 2D Scaling

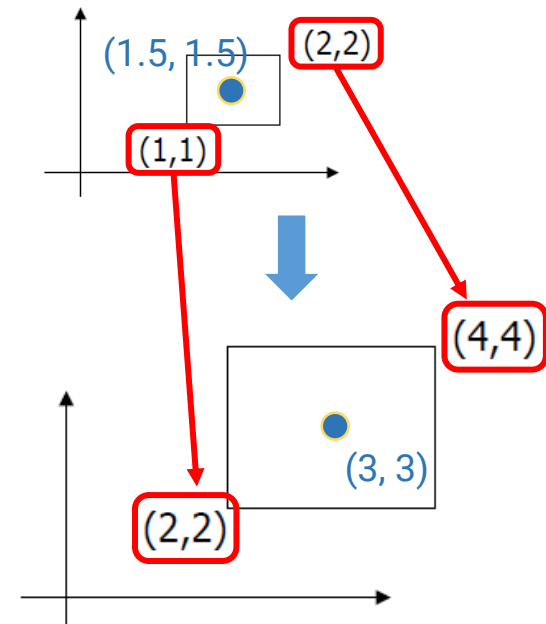
- Given a point  $p(x, y)$  and a scaling factor  $S(s_x, s_y)$ , the new point  $p'(x', y')$  after scaling is  $p' = S p$

$$x' = x * s_x$$

$$y' = y * s_y$$

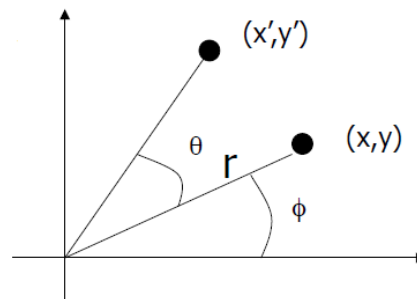
- Matrix-vector multiplication

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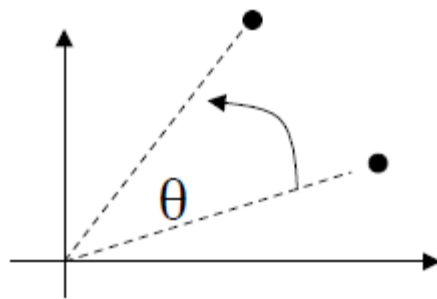


# 2D Rotation

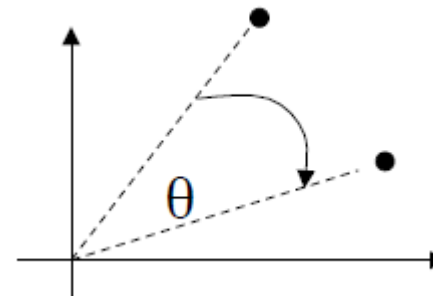
- Given a point  $p(x, y)$ , rotate it with respect to the **origin** by  $\theta$  and get the new point  $p'(x', y')$  after rotation



- First we define



$\theta > 0$ : rotate  
counterclockwise



$\theta < 0$ : rotate  
clockwise

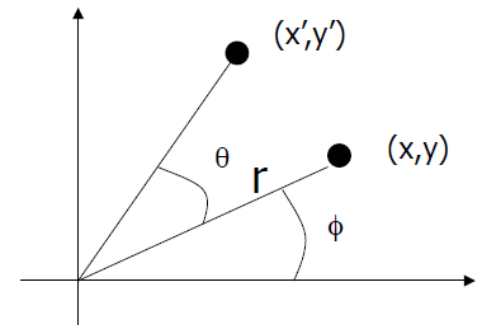
## 2D Rotation (cont.)

- Given a point  $p(x, y)$ , rotate it with respect to the **origin** by  $\theta$  and get the new point  $p'(x', y')$  after rotation

$$\begin{aligned}x &= r \cos(\phi) & y &= r \sin(\phi) \\x' &= r \cos(\phi + \theta) & y' &= r \sin(\phi + \theta)\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}x' &= r \cos(\phi + \theta) \\&= r \cos(\phi) \cos(\theta) - r \sin(\phi) \sin(\theta) \\&= x \cos(\theta) - y \sin(\theta)\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}y' &= r \sin(\phi + \theta) \\&= x \sin(\phi) \cos(\theta) + r \cos(\phi) \sin(\theta) \\&= y \cos(\theta) + x \sin(\theta)\end{aligned}$$

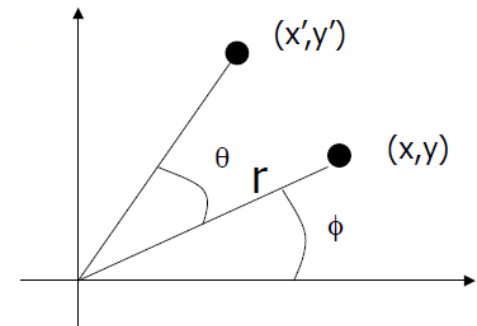


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- Matrix-vector multiplication

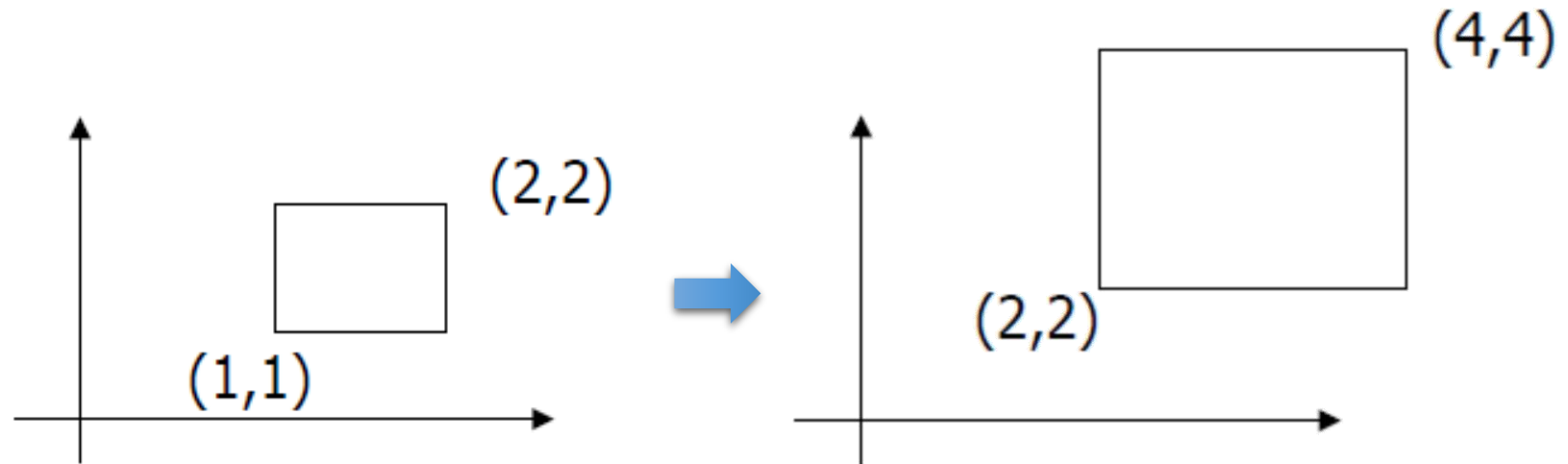
$$\begin{bmatrix} x' \\ y' \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \cos(\theta) & -\sin(\theta) & 0 \\ \sin(\theta) & \cos(\theta) & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

# 2D Translation, Scaling, and Rotation

- Translation 
$$\begin{bmatrix} x' \\ y' \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & t_x \\ 0 & 1 & t_y \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$
- Scaling 
$$\begin{bmatrix} x' \\ y' \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} s_x & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & s_y & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$
- Rotation 
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- Using a 3x3 matrix allows us to perform all transformations using matrix/vector multiplications
  - We can also **pre-multiply (concatenate)** all the matrices
- We call the  $(x, y, 1)$  representation the **homogeneous coordinate** for  $(x, y)$

# Revisit 2D Scaling

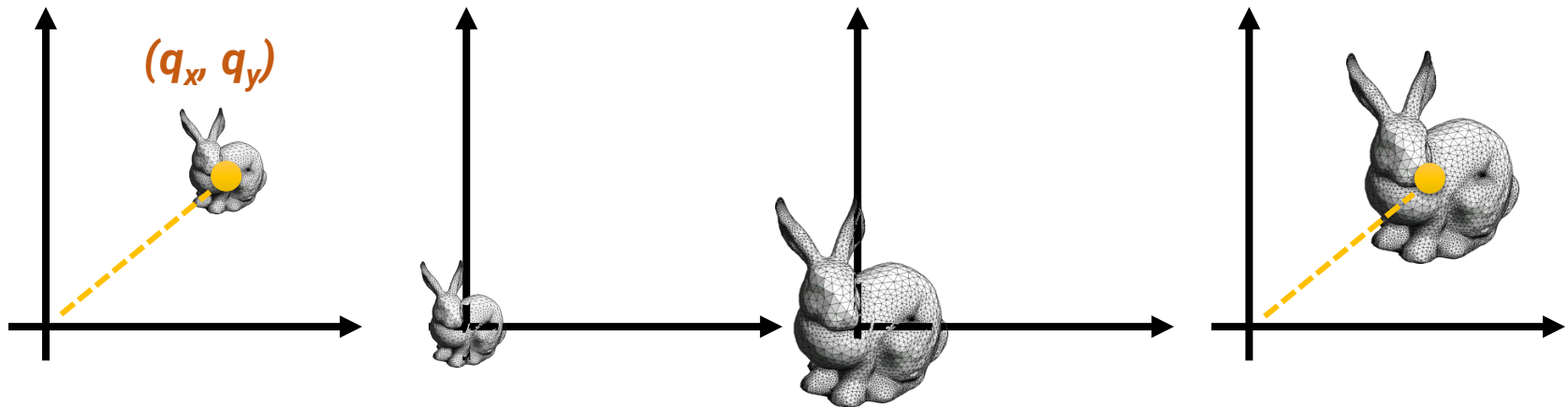
- The standard scaling matrix will only anchor at  $(0, 0)$



- What if we want the object to be scaled w.r.t its center?

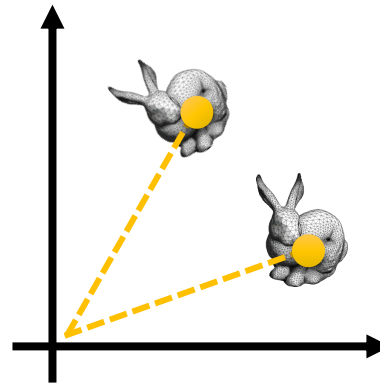
# Revisit 2D Scaling (cont.)

- Scaling about an arbitrary pivot point  $Q(q_x, q_y)$ 
  - Translate the objects so that Q will coincide with the origin:  $T(-q_x, -q_y)$
  - Scale the object:  $S(s_x, s_y)$
  - Translate the object back:  $T(q_x, q_y)$
- The final scaling matrix can be written as  $T(q)S(s)T(-q)$  Concatenation of matrices



# Revisit 2D Rotation

- The standard rotation matrix is used to rotate about the origin  $(0, 0)$

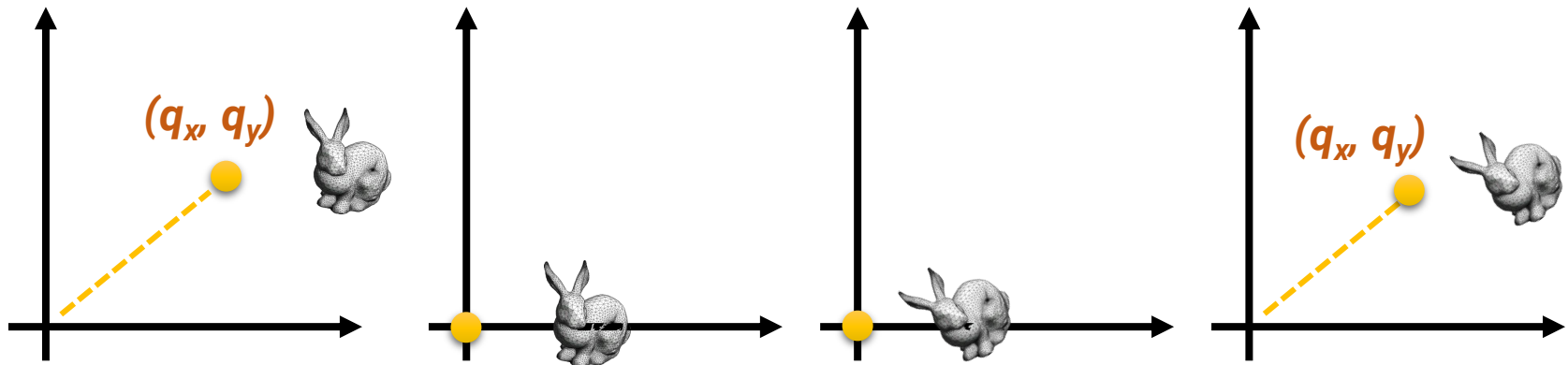


- What if we want the object to be rotated w.r.t a specific pivot?



# Revisit 2D Rotation (cont.)

- Rotate about an arbitrary pivot point  $Q(q_x, q_y)$  by  $\theta$ 
  - Translate the objects so that  $Q$  will coincide with the origin:  $T(-q_x, -q_y)$
  - Rotate the object:  $R(\theta)$
  - Translate the object back:  $T(q_x, q_y)$
- The final rotation matrix can be written as  $T(q)R(\theta)T(-q)$



# Translation (3D) and Scaling (3D)

- A 3D transformation is represented as a **4x4 matrix**, with **homogeneous coordinate**

translation	$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & t_x \\ 0 & 1 & t_y \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$	→	$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & t_x \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & t_y \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & t_z \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$
scaling	$\begin{bmatrix} s_x & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & s_y & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$	→	$\begin{bmatrix} s_x & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & s_y & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & s_z & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$
	2D		3D

# Rotation (3D)

rotation w.r.t  
x-axis

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \cos\theta & -\sin\theta & 0 \\ 0 & \sin\theta & \cos\theta & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

rotation w.r.t  
y-axis

$$\begin{bmatrix} \cos\theta & 0 & \sin\theta & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -\sin\theta & 0 & \cos\theta & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

rotation w.r.t  
z-axis

$$\begin{bmatrix} \cos\theta & -\sin\theta & 0 & 0 \\ \sin\theta & \cos\theta & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

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

2D

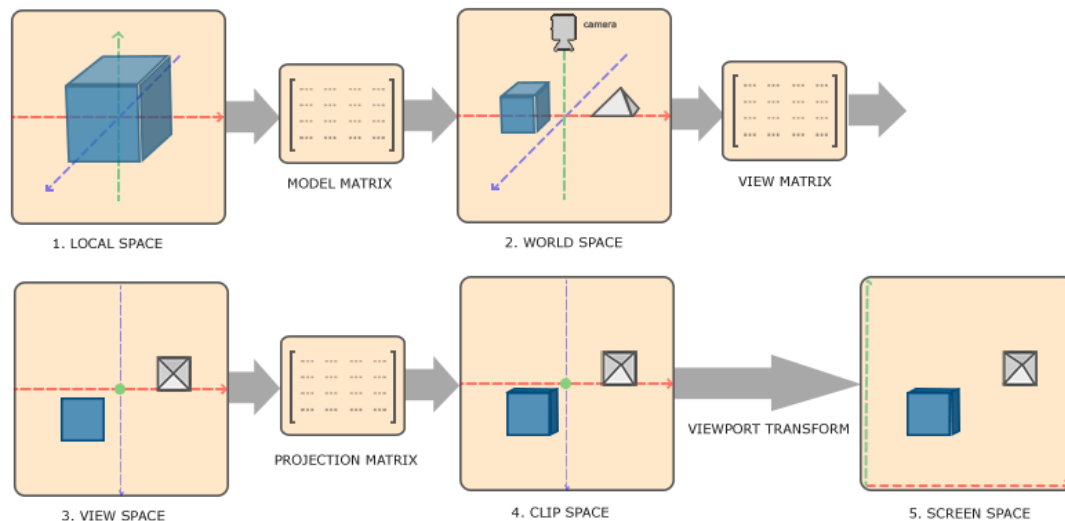
3D

# 3D Transformation

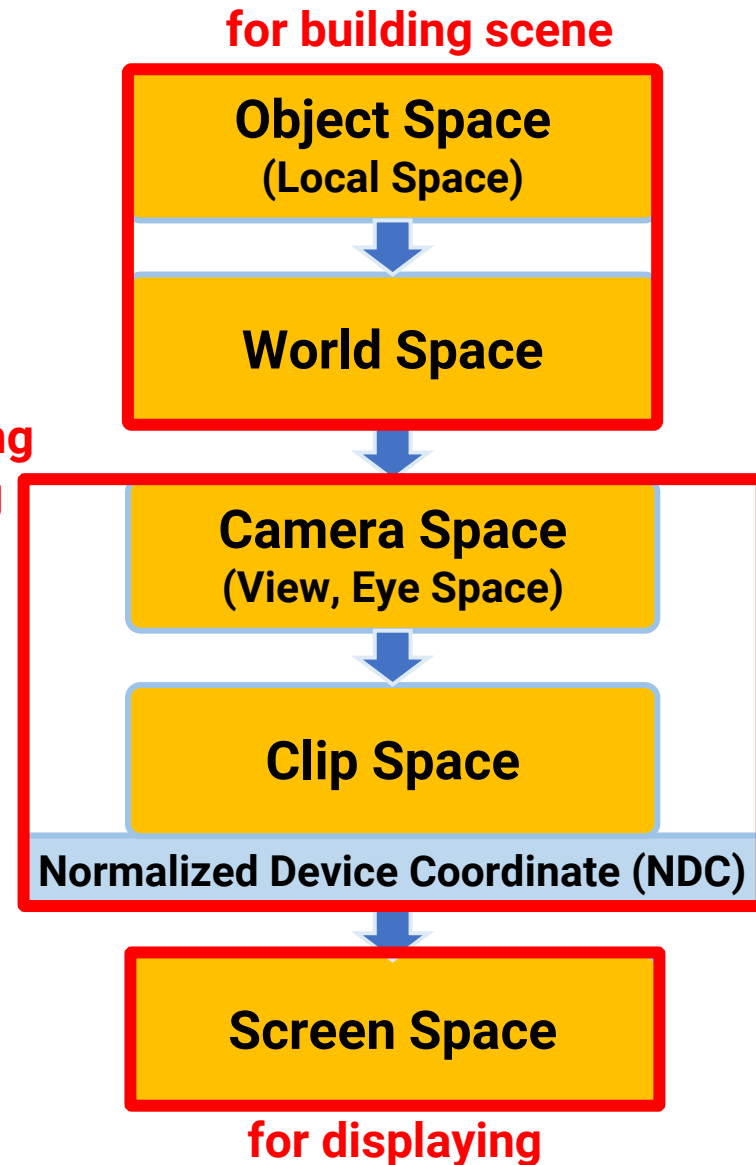
- Practice
  - Scale w.r.t a given pivot point
  - Rotate w.r.t a given pivot point

# Spoiler

- There are other spaces
- We will introduce camera space, clip space, and NDC in the next slides



for assisting  
rendering



**Any Questions?**