Projections and Normalization

The default projection in the eye (camera) frame is orthogonal

For points within the default view volume

$$x_p = x$$
$$y_p = y$$
$$z_p = 0$$

Projection plane at z = 0

Most graphics systems use view normalization

- All other views are converted to the canonical view by transformations that determine the projection matrix
- Allows use of the same pipeline for all views

Default orthographic projection

$$\mathbf{p}_{p} = \mathbf{Mp}$$

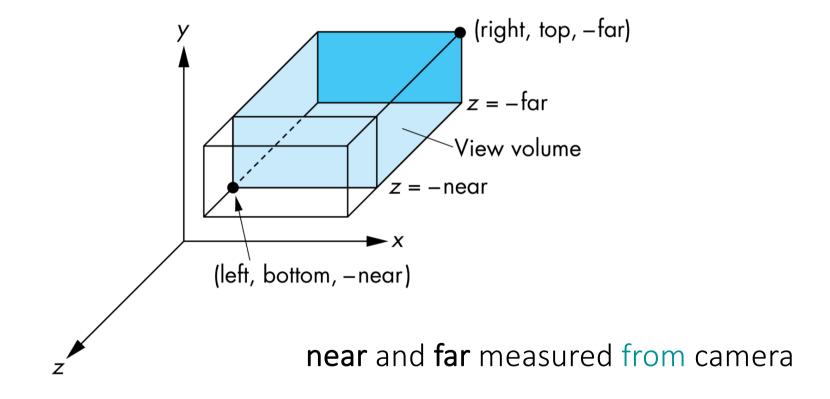
$$\mathbf{M}_{orth} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{p} = (x, y, z, 1)^{T}$$

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OpenGL Orthogonal Viewing

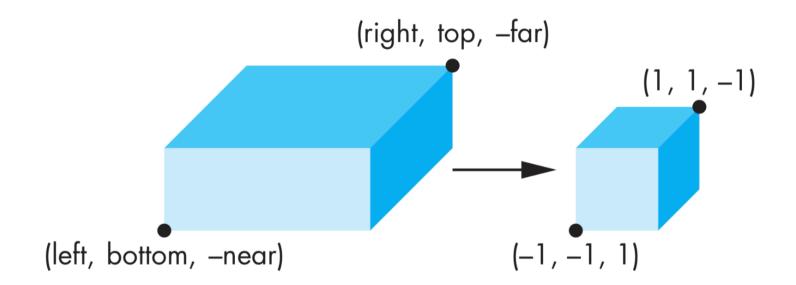
Ortho(left, right, bottom, top, near, far)



How to normalize this into the canonical view?

Orthogonal Normalization

normalization ⇒ find transformation to convert specified clipping volume to canonical volume



Orthogonal Matrix

Two steps

- Move center to origin
 - T(-(left+right)/2, -(bottom+top)/2, (near+far)/2))
- Scale to have sides of length 2
 - S(2/(left-right), 2/(top-bottom), 2/(near-far))

$$\mathbf{P} = \mathbf{ST} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{2}{right - left} & 0 & 0 & -\frac{right + left}{right - left} \\ 0 & \frac{2}{top - bottom} & 0 & -\frac{top + bottom}{top - bottom} \\ 0 & 0 & \frac{2}{near - far} & \frac{far + near}{far - near} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Final Projection

Set z=0

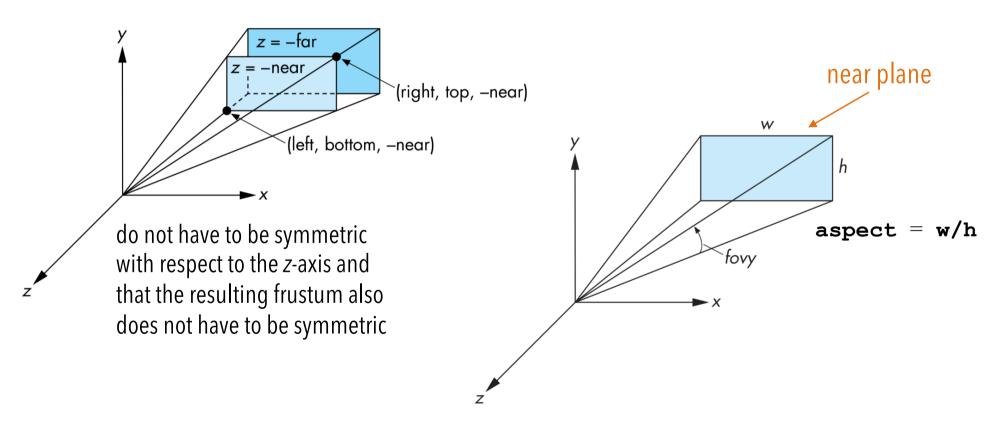
Equivalent to the homogeneous coordinate transformation

$$\mathbf{M}_{\text{orth}} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Hence, general orthogonal projection in 4D is
$$P = M_{orth}ST \qquad \text{for arbitrary orthogonal} \\ \text{to canonical view} \\ \text{for misst orthogonal} \\ \text{for a both the view plane $\pm = 0$} \\ \text{6}$$

OpenGL Perspective Viewing

Frustum(left,right,bottom,top,near,far)



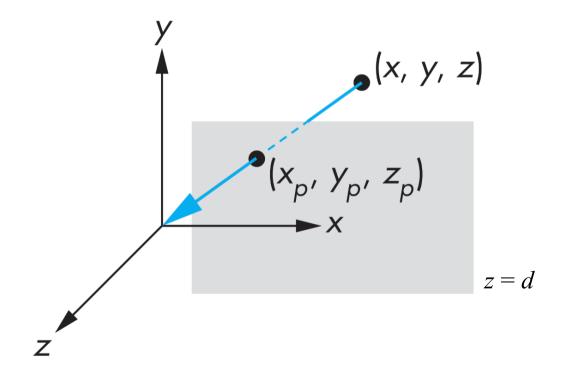
Perpective (fovy, aspect, near, far)

fovy: field of view in degrees in y direction this often provides a better interface

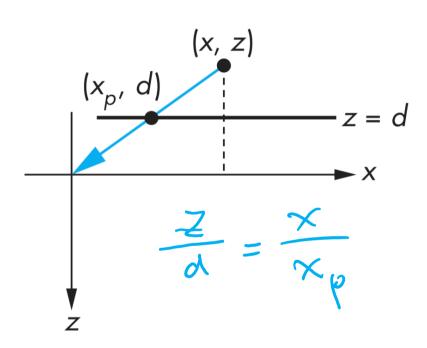
Simple Perspective

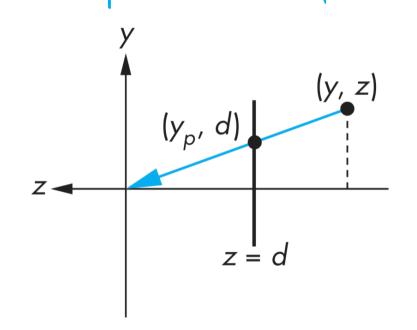
Center of projection at the origin

Projection plane z = d, d < 0



Perspective Equations (7) (7) (8) (9) Consider top and side views





$$x_{\rm p} = \frac{x}{z/d}$$

$$y_{\rm p} = \frac{y}{z/d}$$

$$z_{\rm p} = d$$

Homogeneous Coordinate Form

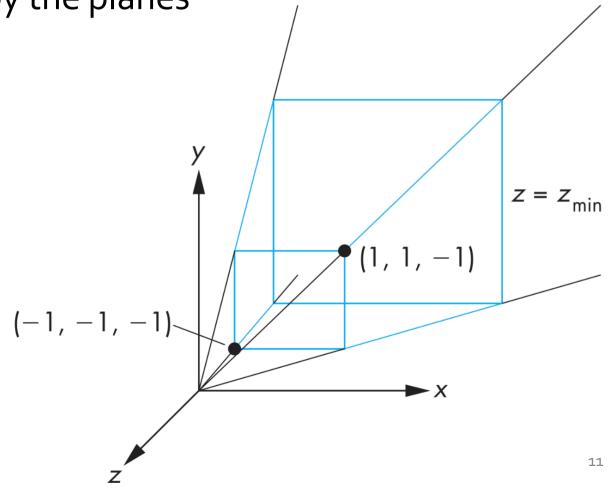
Consider
$$\mathbf{p} = \mathbf{Mq}$$
 where
$$\mathbf{M} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1/d & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{x} \\ \mathbf{y} \\ \mathbf{z} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{x} \\ \mathbf{y} \\ \mathbf{z} \\ \mathbf{z} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{q} = \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad \Rightarrow \quad \mathbf{p} = \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \\ z/d \end{pmatrix} \quad = \begin{pmatrix} x \\ \frac{3}{\sqrt{d}} \\ \frac{3}{\sqrt{d}} \\ \frac{3}{\sqrt{d}} = \lambda \end{pmatrix}$$

Simple Perspective

Consider a simple perspective with the COP at the origin, the near clipping plane at z = -1, and a 90 degree field of view determined by the planes

$$x = \pm z$$
, $y = \pm z$



Perspective Matrices

Simple projection matrix in homogeneous coordinates

$$\mathbf{M} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Note that this matrix is independent of the far clipping plane

Generalization



$$\mathbf{N} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \alpha & \beta \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

By this mapping, the point (x, y, z, 1) goes to

$$x'' = -x/z$$

$$y'' = -y/z$$

$$z'' = -(\alpha + \beta/z)$$

which projects orthogonally to the desired point regardless of α and β

Picking α and β

$$\begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} = M \cdot \begin{pmatrix} -n \\ -n \end{pmatrix}$$

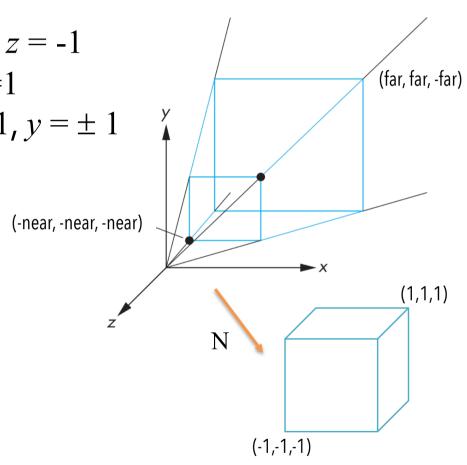
We want:

near plane z= -near be mapped to z= -1 far plane z= -far be mapped to z=1 and the sides be mapped to $x=\pm 1$, $y=\pm 1$

Solving two linear equations, we have

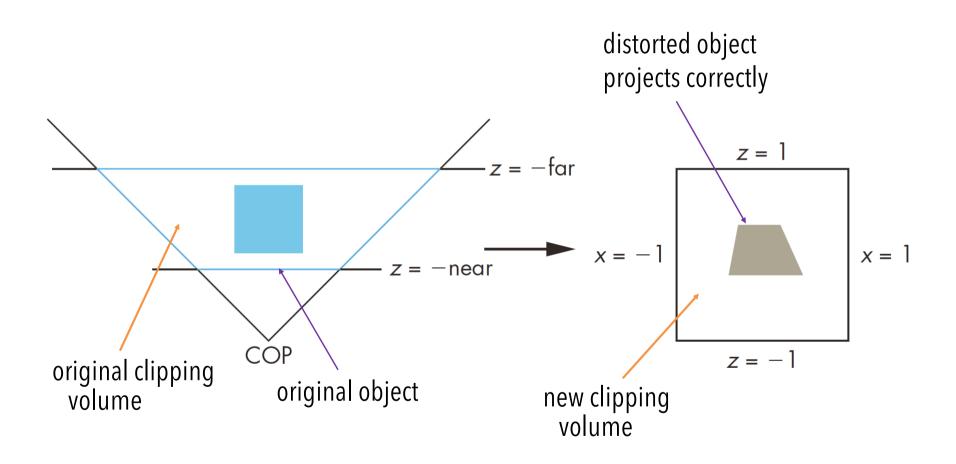
$$\alpha = \frac{\text{near} + \text{far}}{\text{near} - \text{far}}$$

$$\beta = \frac{2 \times \text{near} \times \text{far}}{\text{near} - \text{far}}$$



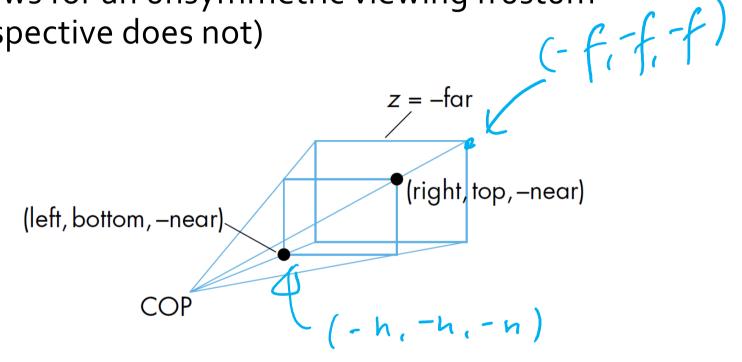
Then the new clipping volume is the canonical clipping volume

Normalization Transformation



OpenGL Perspective

glFrustum allows for an unsymmetric viewing frustum (although Perspective does not)



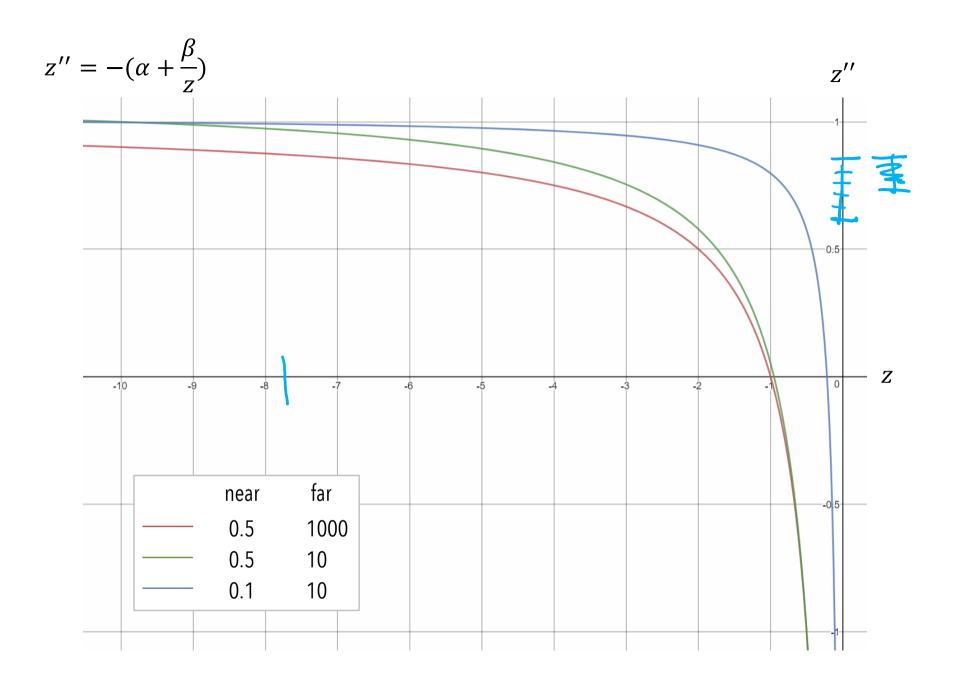
An unsymmetric viewing frustum can be normalized to the canonical view volume by first apply a shear and a scaling before applying N

Normalization and Hidden-Surface Removal

Although our selection of the form of the perspective matrices may appear somewhat arbitrary, it was chosen so that if $z_1 > z_2$ in the original clipping volume then the for the transformed points $z_1' > z_2'$

Thus hidden surface removal works if we first apply the normalization transformation

However, note that the formula z" = -(α + β /z) is nonlinear, which implies that the distances are distorted by the normalization which can cause numerical problems especially if the near distance is small



Why do we do it this way?

Normalization allows for a single pipeline for both perspective and orthogonal viewing

We stay in four dimensional homogeneous coordinates as long as possible to retain three-dimensional information needed for hidden-surface removal and shading

We simplify clipping

Special Projection Effects



The Movie "Inception"