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Building Models

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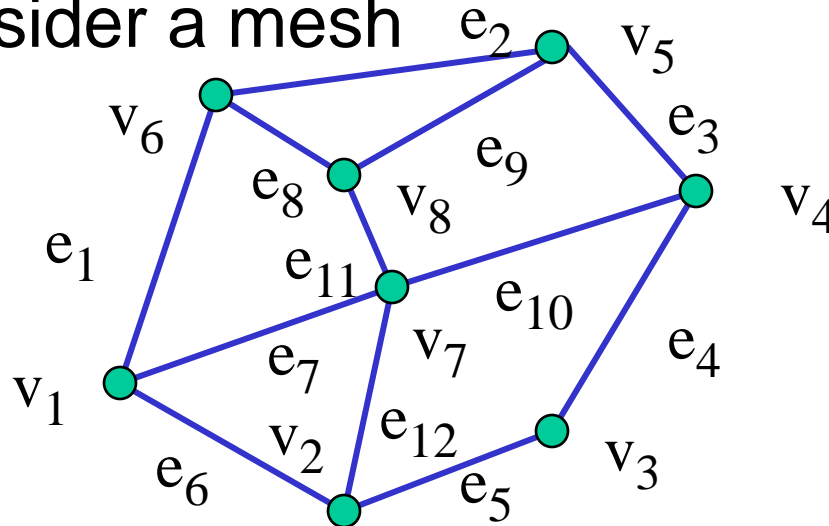
Objectives

- Introduce simple data structures for building polygonal models
 - Vertex lists
 - Edge lists



Representing a Mesh

- Consider a mesh



- There are 8 nodes and 12 edges
 - 5 interior polygons
 - 6 interior (shared) edges
- Each vertex has a location $v_i = (x_i \ y_i \ z_i)$



Simple Representation

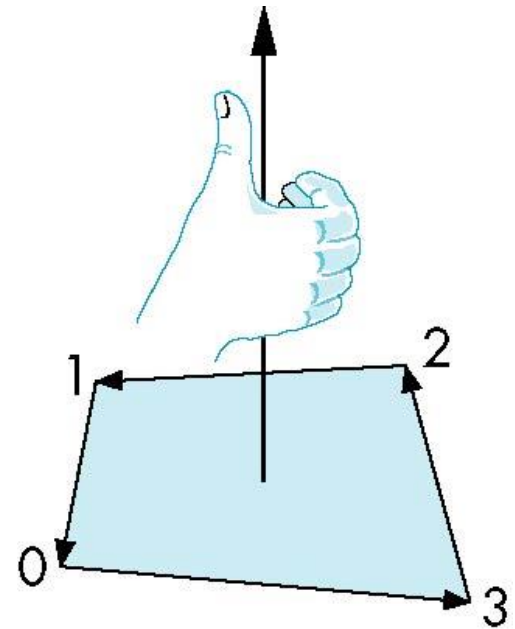
- Define each polygon by the geometric locations of its vertices
- Leads to WebGL code such as

```
vertex.push(vec3(x1, y1, z1));  
vertex.push(vec3(x6, y6, z6));  
vertex.push(vec3(x7, y7, z7));
```

- Inefficient and unstructured
 - Consider moving a vertex to a new location
 - Must search for all occurrences

Inward and Outward Facing Polygons

- The order $\{v_1, v_6, v_7\}$ and $\{v_6, v_7, v_1\}$ are equivalent in that the same polygon will be rendered by OpenGL but the order $\{v_1, v_7, v_6\}$ is different
- The first two describe *outwardly facing* polygons
- Use the *right-hand rule* = counter-clockwise encirclement of outward-pointing normal
- OpenGL can treat inward and outward facing polygons differently





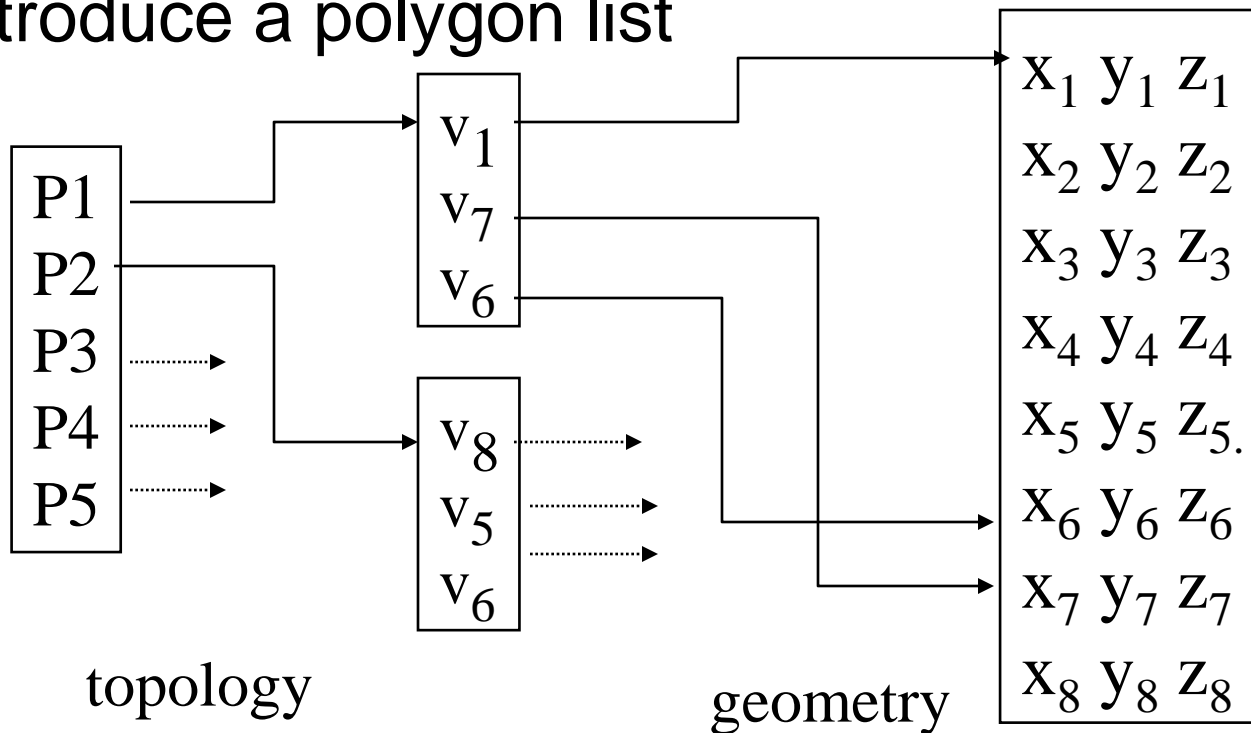
Geometry vs Topology

- Generally it is a good idea to look for data structures that separate the geometry from the topology
 - Geometry: locations of the vertices
 - Topology: organization of the vertices and edges
 - Example: a polygon is an ordered list of vertices with an edge connecting successive pairs of vertices and the last to the first
 - Topology holds even if geometry changes



Vertex Lists

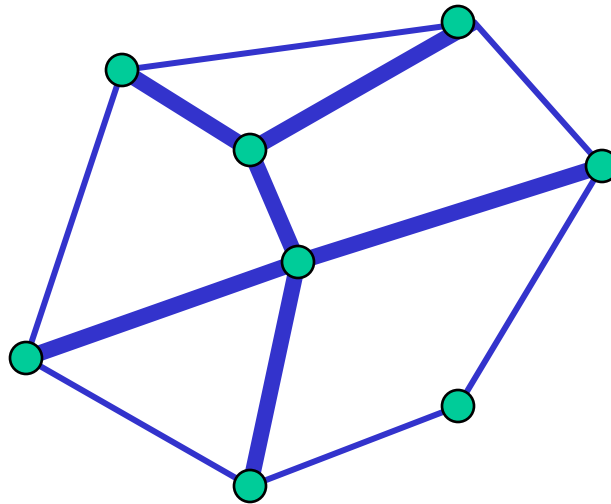
- Put the geometry in an array
- Use pointers from the vertices into this array
- Introduce a polygon list





Shared Edges

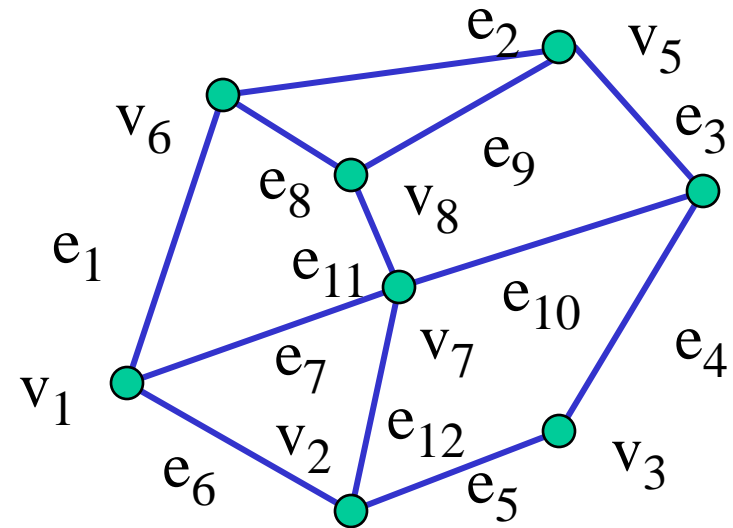
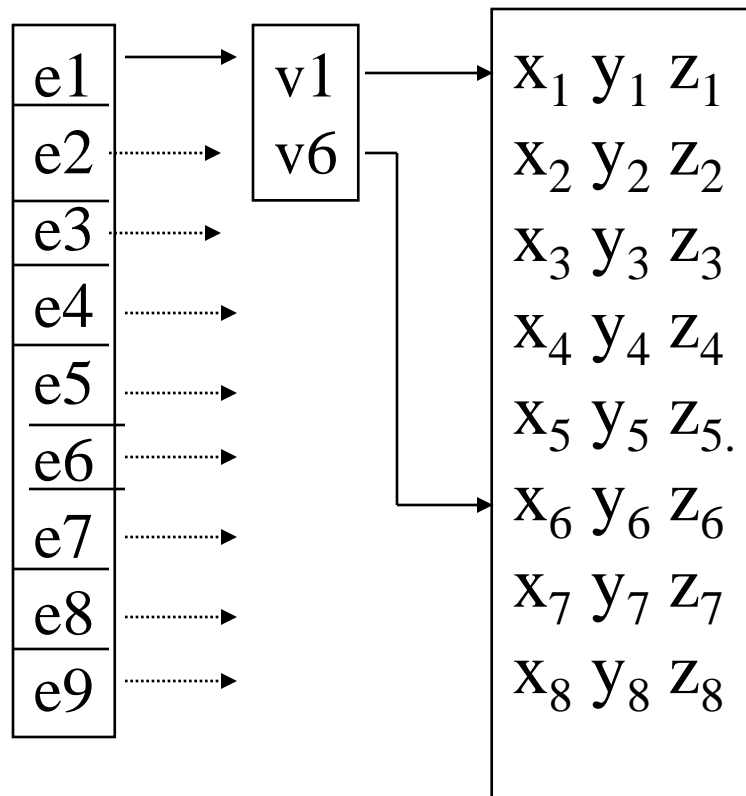
- Vertex lists will draw filled polygons correctly but if we draw the polygon by its edges, shared edges are drawn twice



- Can store mesh by *edge list*



Edge List



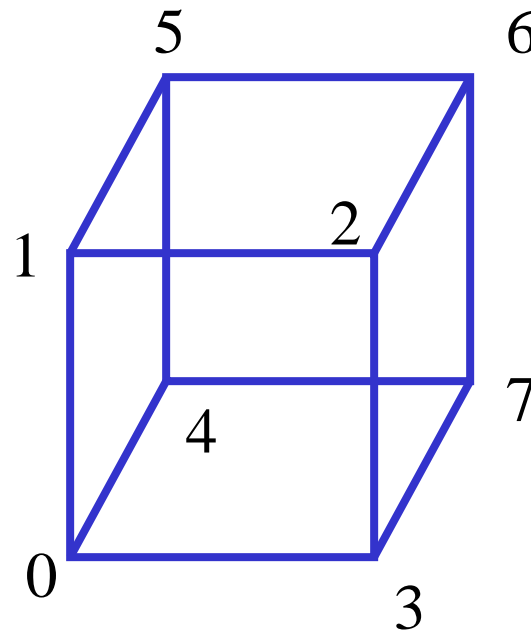
Note polygons are not represented



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Draw cube from faces

```
var colorCube( )  
{  
    quad(0,3,2,1);  
    quad(2,3,7,6);  
    quad(0,4,7,3);  
    quad(1,2,6,5);  
    quad(4,5,6,7);  
    quad(0,1,5,4);  
}
```





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The Rotating Square

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Objectives

- Put everything together to display rotating cube
- Two methods of display
 - by arrays
 - by elements
- The first example (by arrays) is in [04/cube.html](#) and 04/cube.js
- The second example (by elements) is in [04/cubev.html](#) and 04/cubev.js



Modeling a Cube

Define global array for vertices

```
var vertices = [  
    vec3( -0.5, -0.5,  0.5 ),  
    vec3( -0.5,  0.5,  0.5 ),  
    vec3(  0.5,  0.5,  0.5 ),  
    vec3(  0.5, -0.5,  0.5 ),  
    vec3( -0.5, -0.5, -0.5 ),  
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    vec3(  0.5, -0.5, -0.5 )  
];
```



Colors

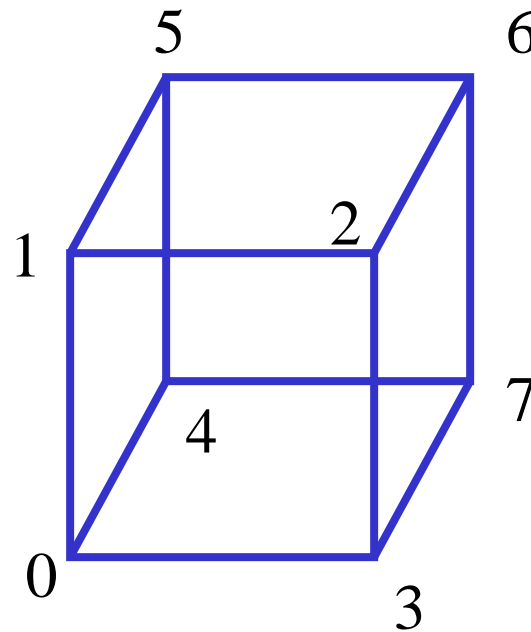
Define global array for colors

```
var vertexColors = [  
    [ 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 1.0 ], // black  
    [ 1.0, 0.0, 0.0, 1.0 ], // red  
    [ 1.0, 1.0, 0.0, 1.0 ], // yellow  
    [ 0.0, 1.0, 0.0, 1.0 ], // green  
    [ 0.0, 0.0, 1.0, 1.0 ], // blue  
    [ 1.0, 0.0, 1.0, 1.0 ], // magenta  
    [ 0.0, 1.0, 1.0, 1.0 ], // cyan  
    [ 1.0, 1.0, 1.0, 1.0 ] // white  
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```



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    quad(0,1,5,4) ;  
}
```



Note that vertices are ordered so that
we obtain correct outward facing normals
Each quad generates two triangles



Initialization

```
var canvas, gl;
var numVertices = 36;
var points = [];
var colors = [];

window.onload = function init(){
    canvas = document.getElementById("gl-canvas");
    gl = canvas.getContext('webgl2');
    if (!gl) alert("WebGL 2.0 isn't available");
    colorCube();

    gl.viewport( 0, 0, canvas.width, canvas.height );
    gl.clearColor( 1.0, 1.0, 1.0, 1.0 );
    gl.enable(gl.DEPTH_TEST);
    // rest of initialization and html file
    // same as previous examples
```



The quad Function

Put position and color data for two triangles from a list of indices into the array `vertices`

```
var quad(a, b, c, d)
{
    var indices = [ a, b, c, a, c, d ];
    for ( var i = 0; i < indices.length; ++i ) {

        points.push( vertices[indices[i]] );
        colors.push( vertexColors[indices[i]] );

        // for solid colored faces use
        //colors.push(vertexColors[a]);

    }
}
```



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Render Function

```
function render() {  
    gl.clear( gl.COLOR_BUFFER_BIT | gl.DEPTH_BUFFER_BIT );  
    if(flag) theta[axis] += 2.0;  
    gl.uniform3fv(thetaLoc, theta);  
    gl.drawArrays( gl.TRIANGLES, 0, numVertices );  
    requestAnimationFrame( render );  
}
```



Mapping indices to faces

```
var indices = [  
    1,0,3,  
    3,2,1,  
    2,3,7,  
    7,6,2,  
    3,0,4,  
    4,7,3,  
    6,5,1,  
    1,2,6,  
    4,5,6,  
    6,7,4,  
    5,4,0,  
    0,1,5    ] ;
```



Rendering by Elements

- Send indices to GPU

```
var iBuffer = gl.createBuffer();  
gl.bindBuffer(gl.ELEMENT_ARRAY_BUFFER, iBuffer);  
gl.bufferData(gl.ELEMENT_ARRAY_BUFFER,  
              new Uint8Array(indices), gl.STATIC_DRAW);
```

- Render by elements

```
gl.drawElements( gl.TRIANGLES, numVertices,  
                 gl.UNSIGNED_BYTE, 0 );
```

- Even more efficient if we use triangle strips or triangle fans



Adding Buttons for Rotation

```
var xAxis = 0;
var yAxis = 1;
var zAxis = 2;
var axis = 0;
var theta = [ 0, 0, 0 ];
var thetaLoc;

document.getElementById( "xButton" ).onclick =
function () {          axis = xAxis;      };
document.getElementById( "yButton" ).onclick =
function () {          axis = yAxis;      };
document.getElementById( "zButton" ).onclick =
function () {          axis = zAxis;      };
```



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Classical Viewing

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Objectives

- Introduce the classical views
- Compare and contrast image formation by computer with how images have been formed by architects, artists, and engineers
- Learn the benefits and drawbacks of each type of view



Classical Viewing

- Viewing requires three basic elements
 - One or more objects
 - A viewer with a projection surface
 - Projectors that go from the object(s) to the projection surface
- Classical views are based on the relationship among these elements
 - The viewer picks up the object and orients it how she would like to see it
- Each object is assumed to be constructed from flat *principal faces*
 - Buildings, polyhedra, manufactured objects



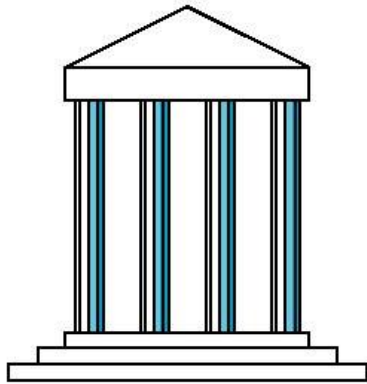
Planar Geometric Projections

- Standard projections project onto a plane
- Projectors are lines that either
 - converge at a center of projection
 - are parallel
- Such projections preserve lines
 - but not necessarily angles
- Nonplanar projections are needed for applications such as map construction

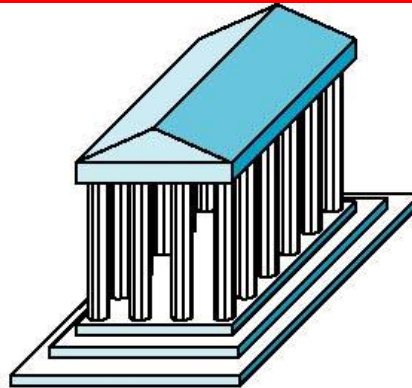


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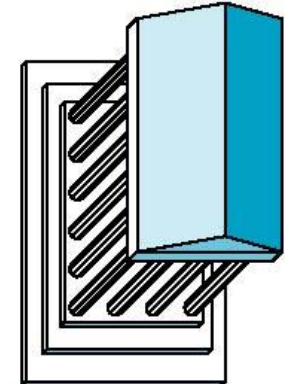
Classical Projections



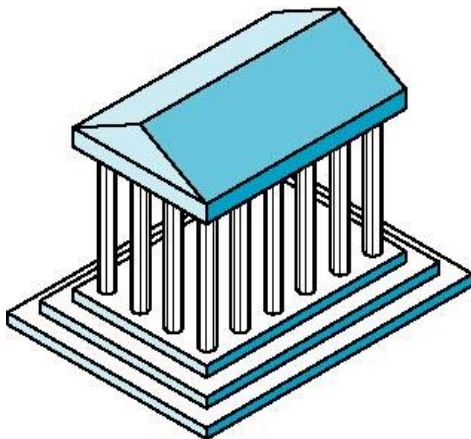
Front elevation



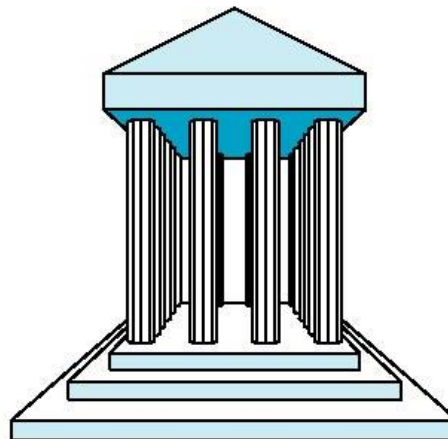
Elevation oblique



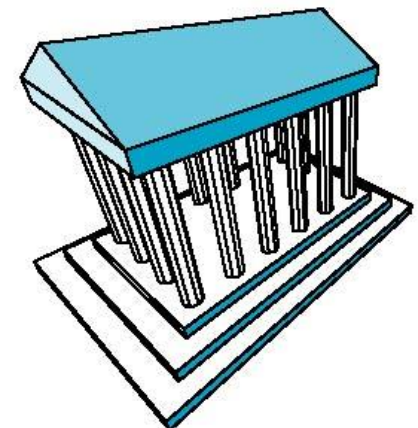
Plan oblique



Isometric



One-point perspective



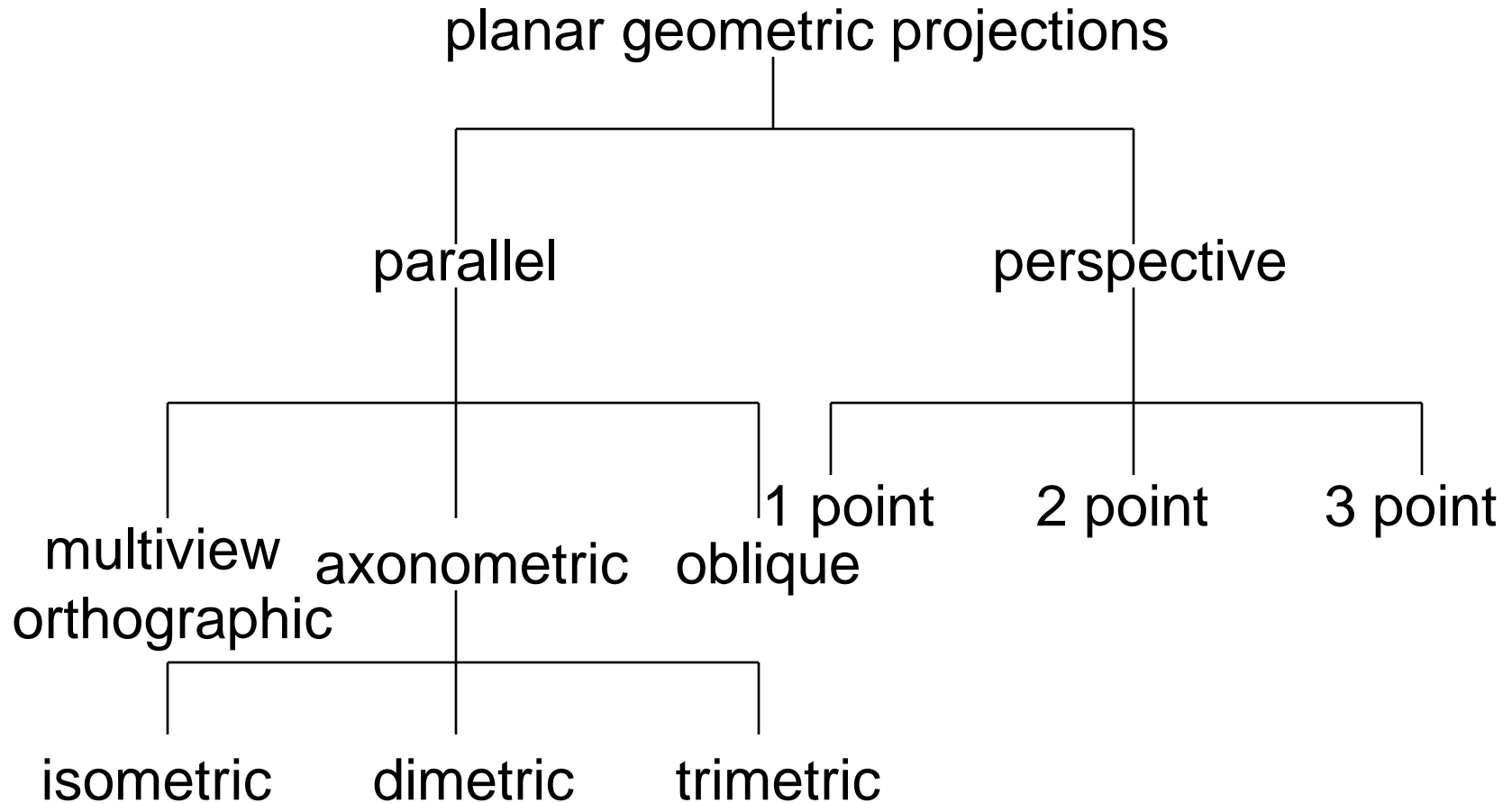
Three-point perspective



Perspective vs Parallel

- Computer graphics treats all projections the same and implements them with a single pipeline
- Classical viewing developed different techniques for drawing each type of projection
- Fundamental distinction is between parallel and perspective viewing even though mathematically parallel viewing is the limit of perspective viewing

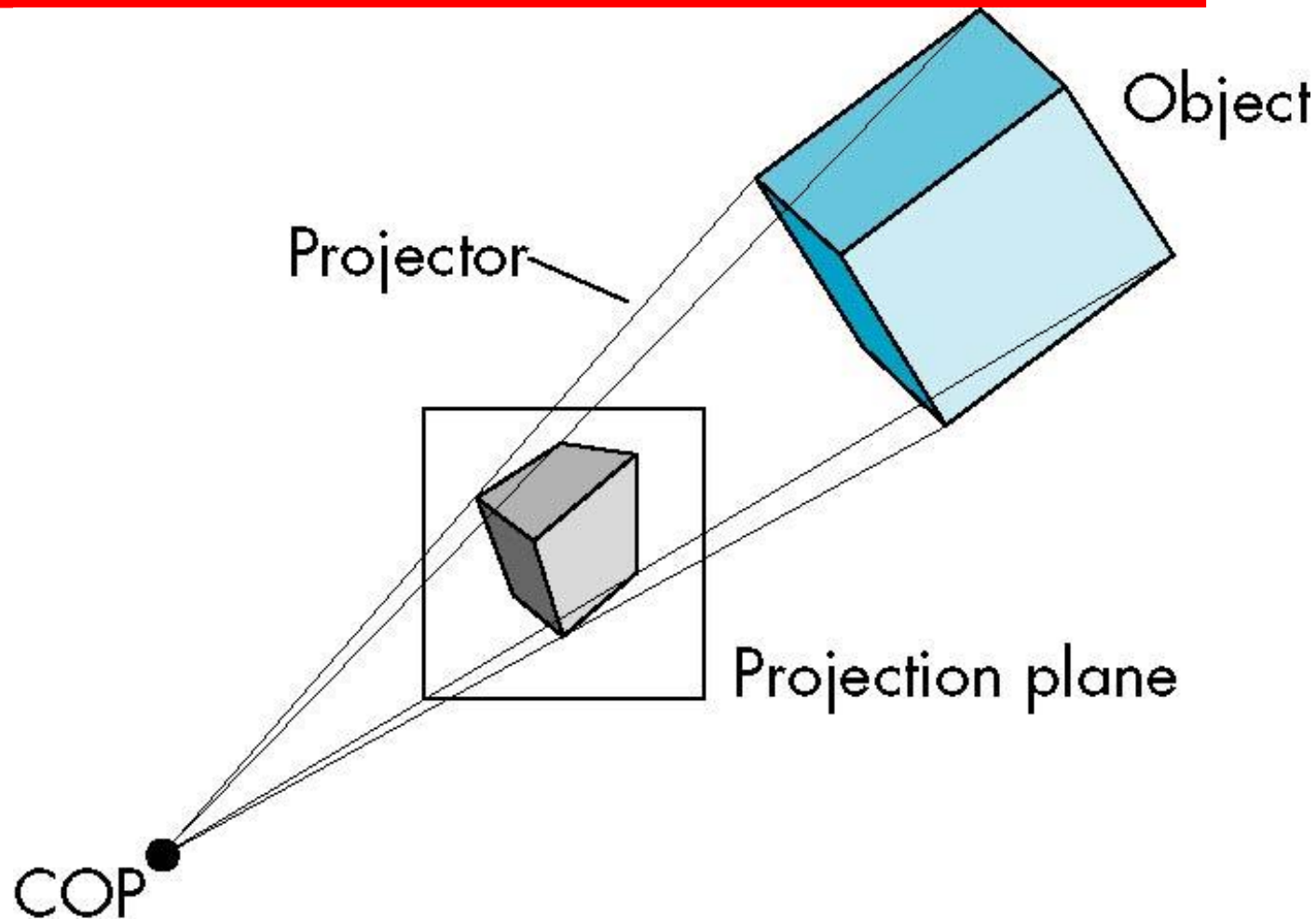
Taxonomy of Planar Geometric Projections





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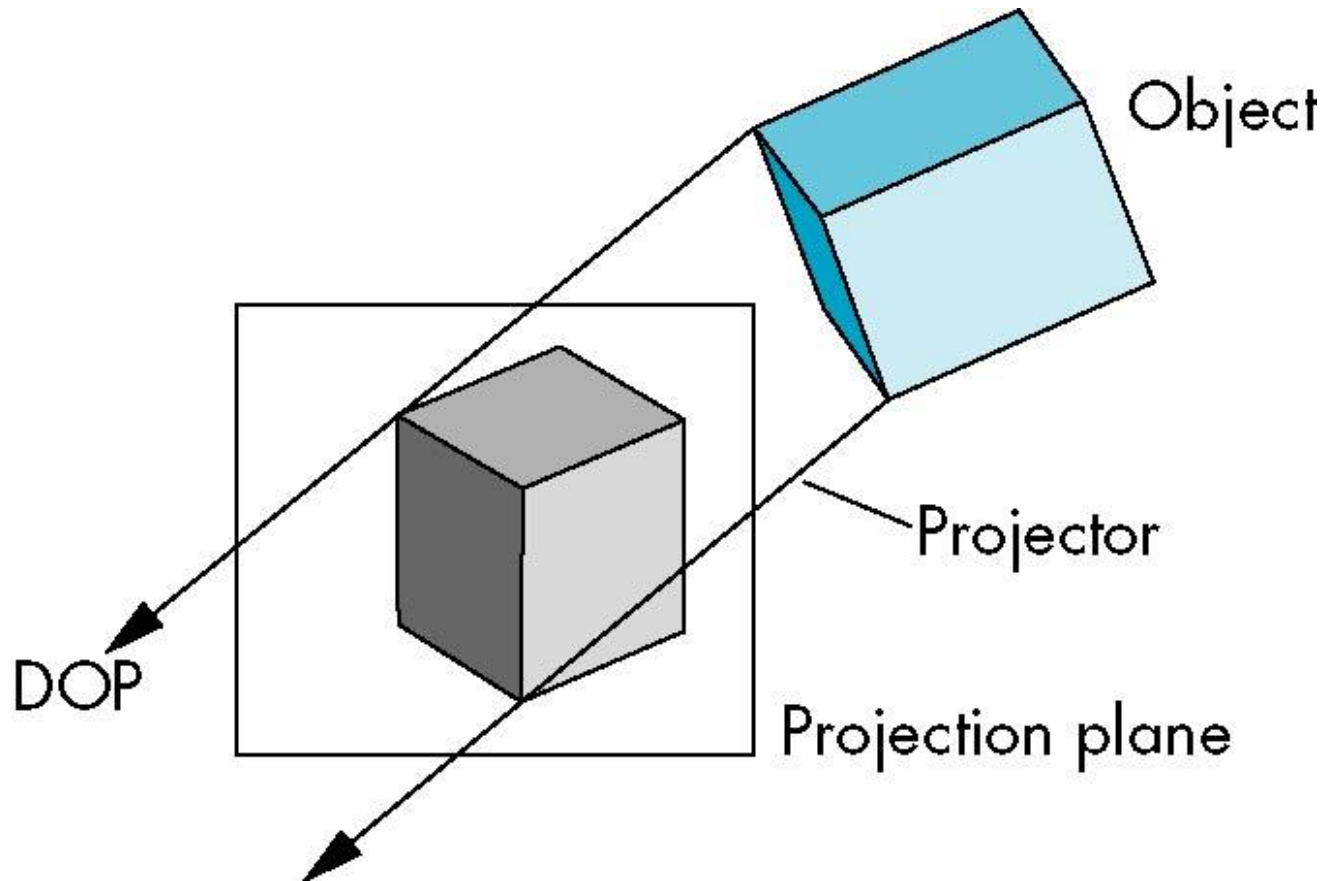
Perspective Projection





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Parallel Projection

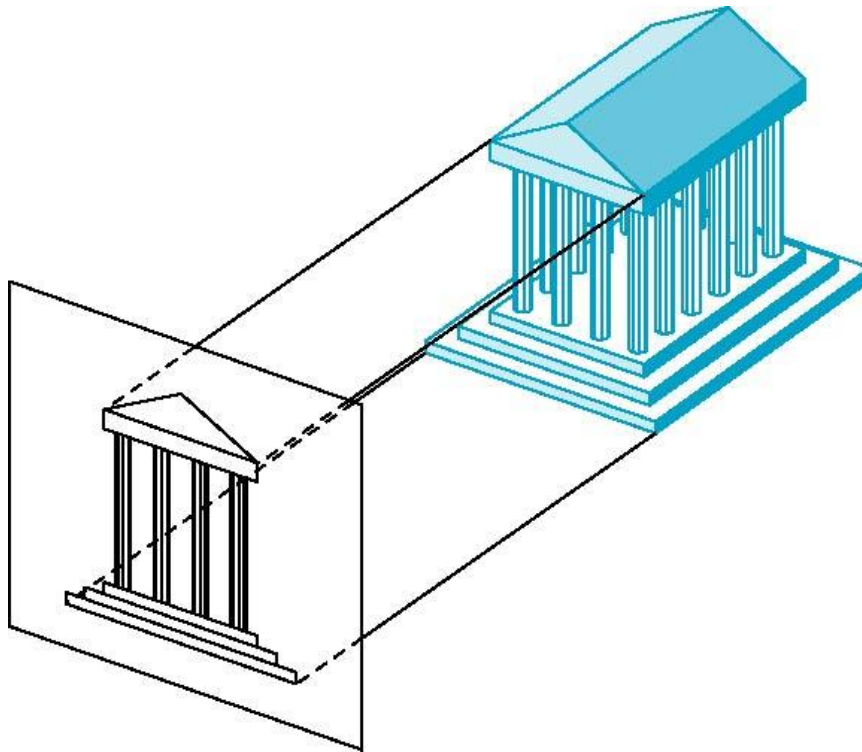




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Orthographic Projection

Projectors are orthogonal to projection surface



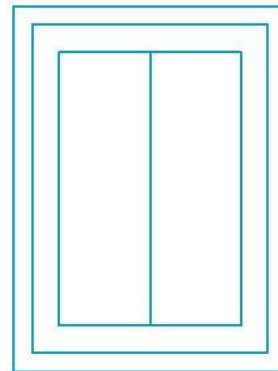
Multiview Orthographic Projection

- Projection plane parallel to principal face
- Usually form front, top, side views

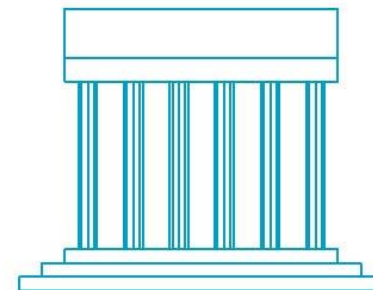
isometric (not multiview orthographic view)



front



top



side

in CAD and architecture,
we often display three
multiviews plus isometric



Advantages and Disadvantages

- Preserves both distances and angles
 - Shapes preserved
 - Can be used for measurements
 - Building plans
 - Manuals
- Cannot see what object really looks like because many surfaces hidden from view
 - Often we add the isometric



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Axonometric Projections

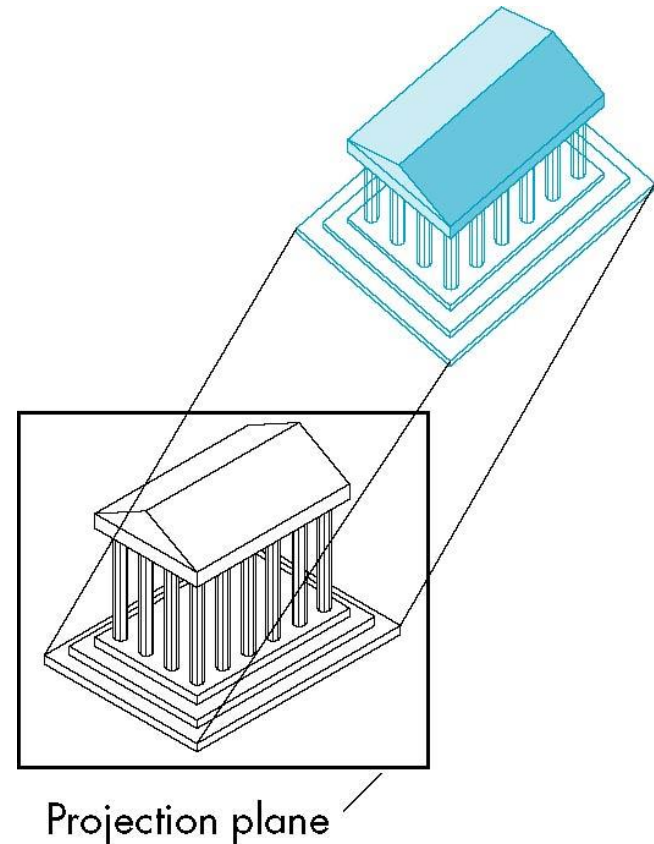
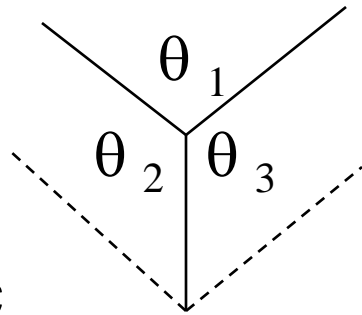
Allow projection plane to move relative to object

classify by how many angles of
a corner of a projected cube are
the same

none: trimetric

two: dimetric

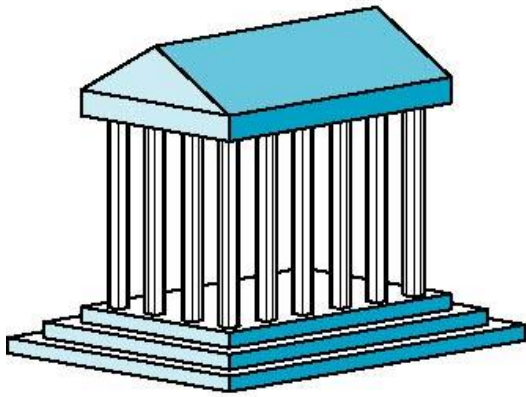
three: isometric



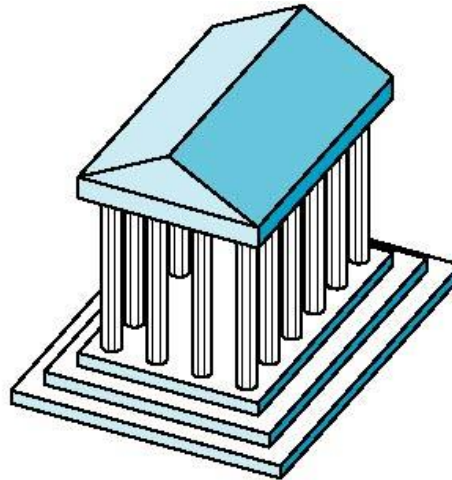


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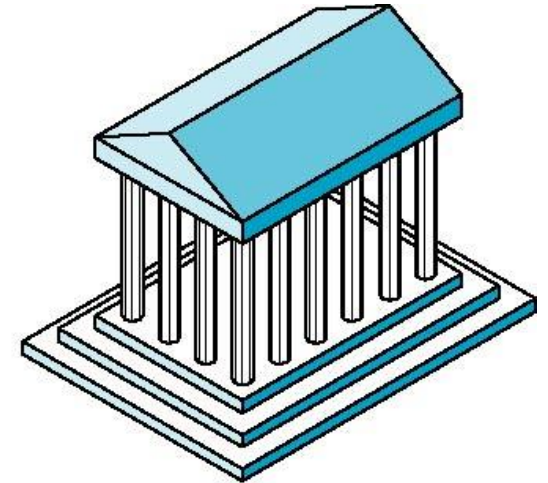
Types of Axonometric Projections



Dimetric



Trimetric



Isometric

Advantages and Disadvantages

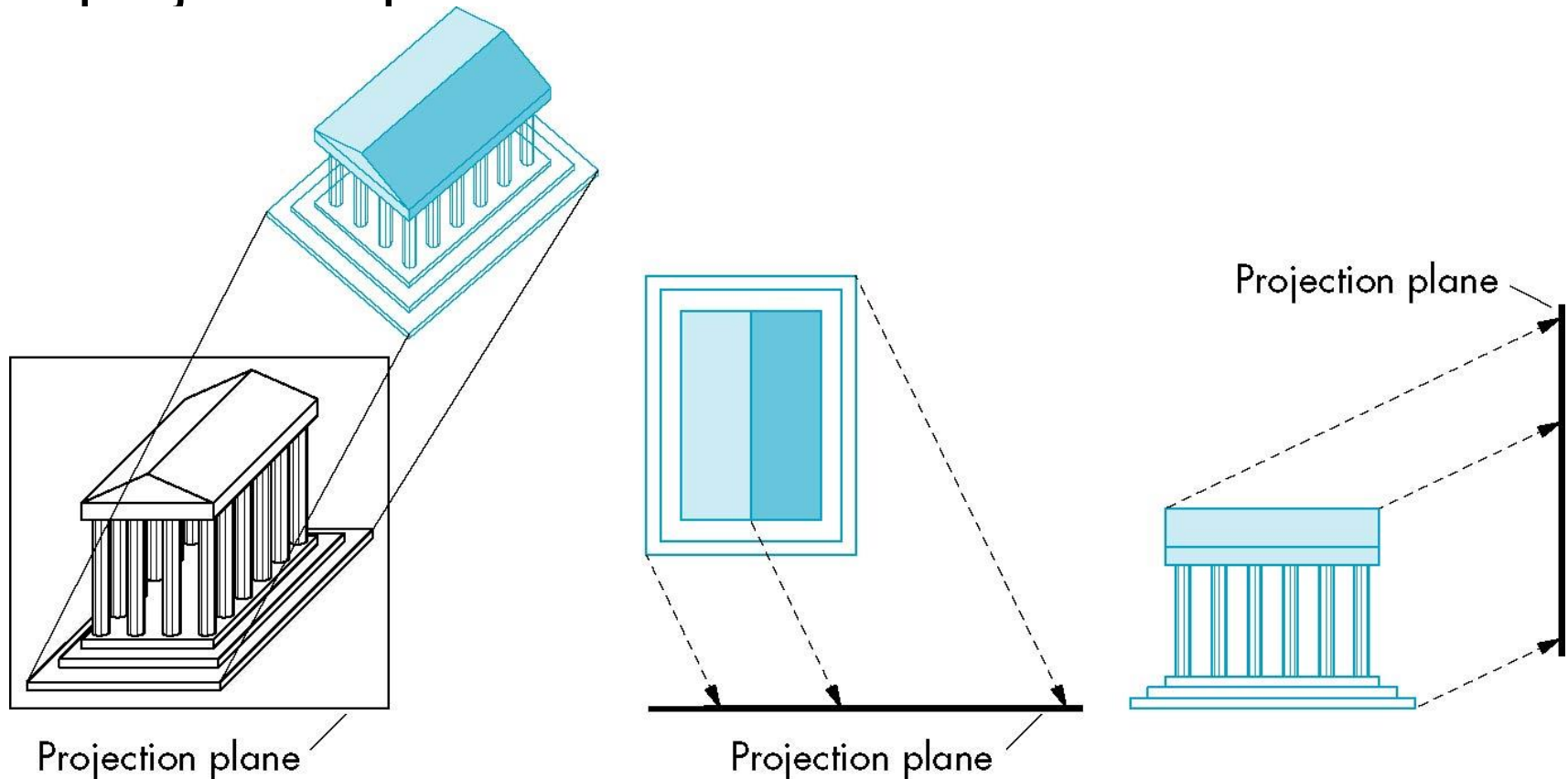
- Lines are scaled (*foreshortened*) but can find scaling factors
- Lines preserved but angles are not
 - Projection of a circle in a plane not parallel to the projection plane is an ellipse
- Can see three principal faces of a box-like object
- Some optical illusions possible
 - Parallel lines appear to diverge
- Does not look real because far objects are scaled the same as near objects
- Used in CAD applications



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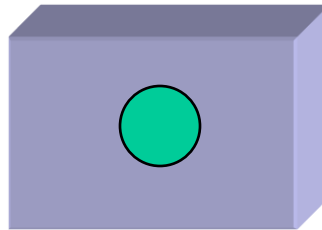
Oblique Projection

Arbitrary relationship between projectors and projection plane



Advantages and Disadvantages

- Can pick the angles to emphasize a particular face
 - Architecture: plan oblique, elevation oblique
- Angles in faces parallel to projection plane are preserved while we can still see “around” side



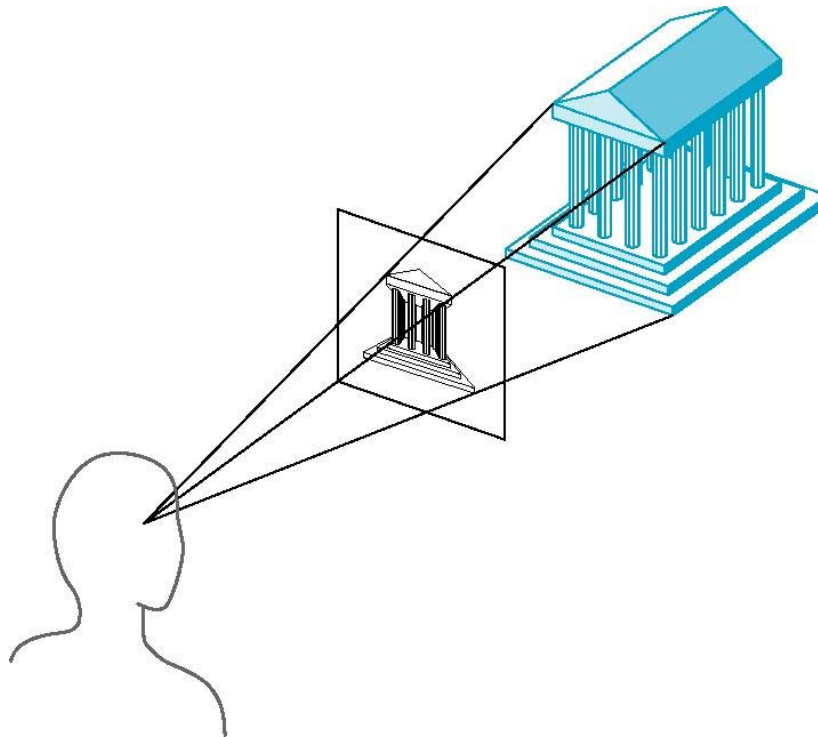
- In physical world, cannot create with simple camera; possible with bellows camera or special lens (architectural)



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Perspective Projection

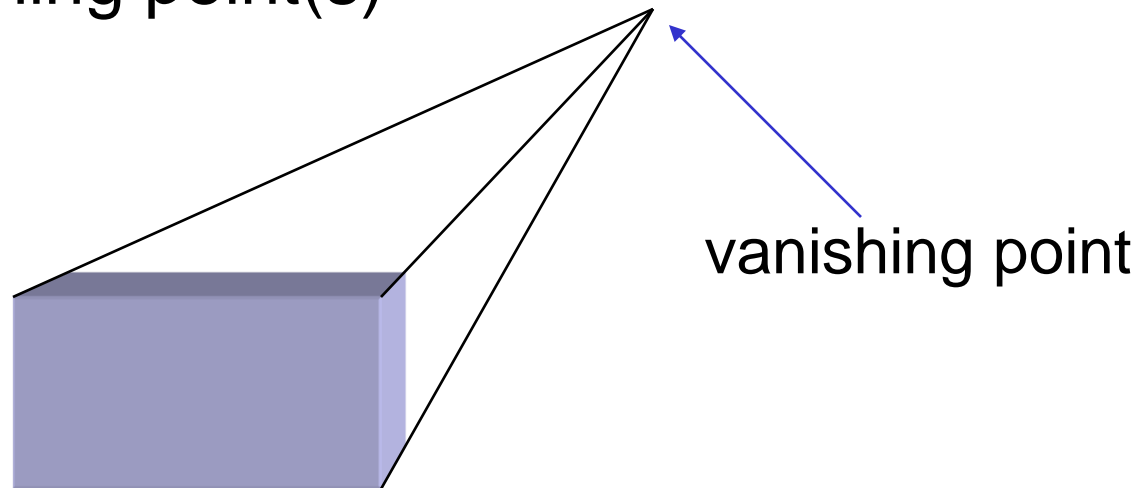
Projectors converge at center of projection





Vanishing Points

- Parallel lines (not parallel to the projection plan) on the object converge at a single point in the projection (the *vanishing point*)
- Drawing simple perspectives by hand uses these vanishing point(s)





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Three-Point Perspective

- No principal face parallel to projection plane
- Three vanishing points for cube





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Two-Point Perspective

- On principal direction parallel to projection plane
- Two vanishing points for cube





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One-Point Perspective

- One principal face parallel to projection plane
- One vanishing point for cube



Advantages and Disadvantages

- Objects further from viewer are projected smaller than the same sized objects closer to the viewer (*diminution*)
 - Looks realistic
- Equal distances along a line are not projected into equal distances (*nonuniform foreshortening*)
- Angles preserved only in planes parallel to the projection plane
- More difficult to construct by hand than parallel projections (but not more difficult by computer)



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Computer Viewing Positioning the Camera

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Objectives

- Introduce the mathematics of projection
- Introduce WebGL viewing functions in MVnew.js
- Look at alternate viewing APIs



From the Beginning

- In the beginning:
 - fixed function pipeline
 - Model-View and Projection Transformation
 - Predefined frames: model, object, camera, clip, ndc, window
- After deprecation
 - pipeline with programmable shaders
 - no transformations
 - clip, ndc window frames
- MVnew.js reintroduces original capabilities



Computer Viewing

- There are three aspects of the viewing process, all of which are implemented in the pipeline,
 - Positioning the camera
 - Setting the model-view matrix
 - Selecting a lens
 - Setting the projection matrix
 - Clipping
 - Setting the view volume

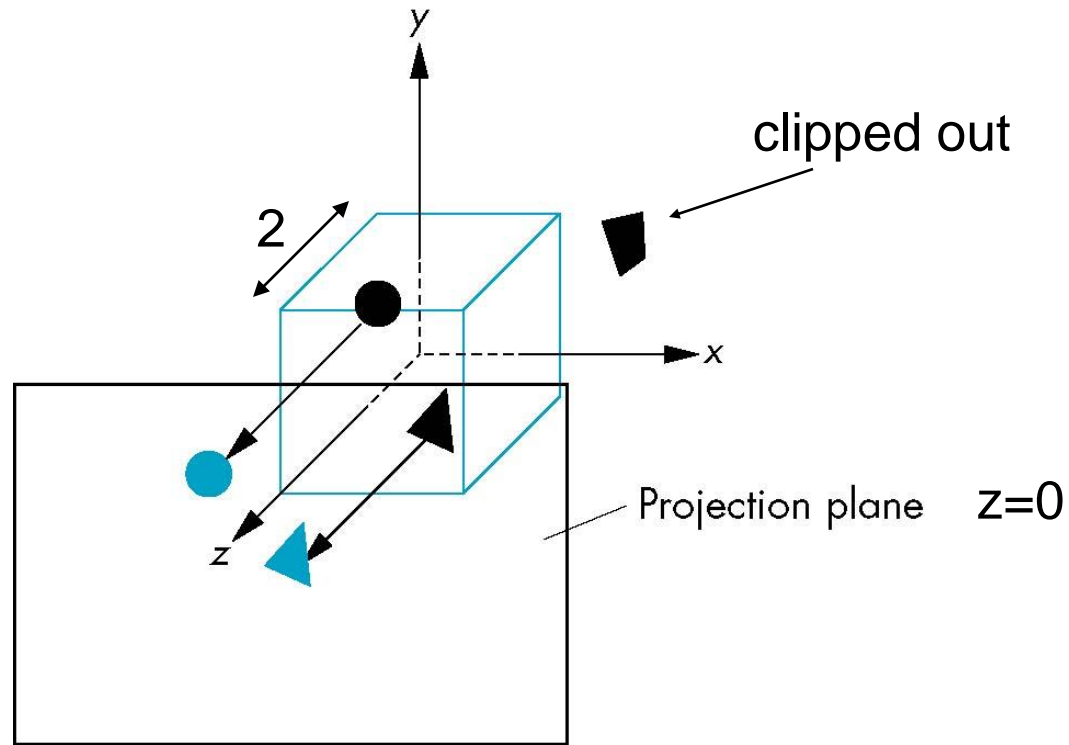


The WebGL Camera

- In WebGL, initially the object and camera frames are the same
 - Default model-view matrix is an identity
- The camera is located at origin and points in the negative z direction
- WebGL also specifies a default view volume that is a cube with sides of length 2 centered at the origin
 - Default projection matrix is an identity



Default Projection





Moving the Camera Frame

- If we want to visualize objects with both positive and negative z values we can either
 - Move the camera in the positive z direction
 - Translate the camera frame
 - Move the objects in the negative z direction
 - Translate the world frame
- Both of these views are equivalent and are determined by the model-view matrix
 - Want a translation (`translate(0.0, 0.0, -d);`)
 - $d > 0$

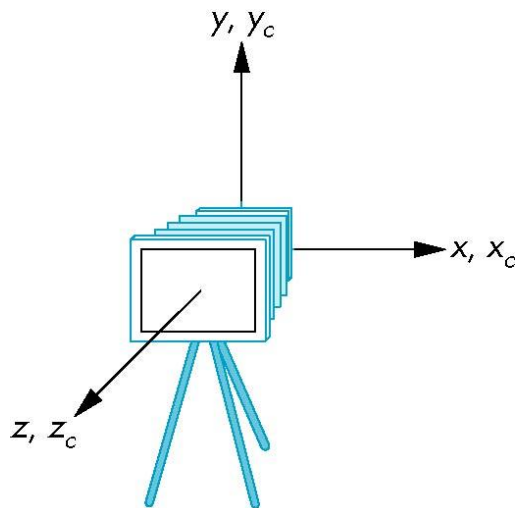


Moving Camera back from Origin

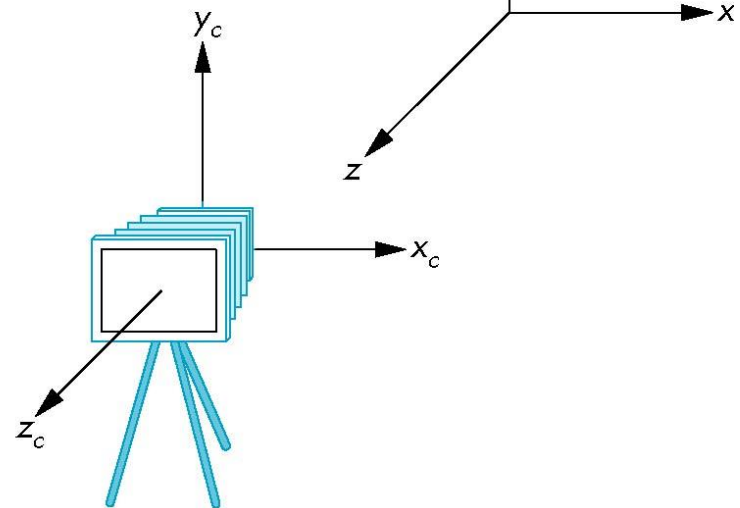
frames after translation by $-d$

$$d > 0$$

default frames



(a)

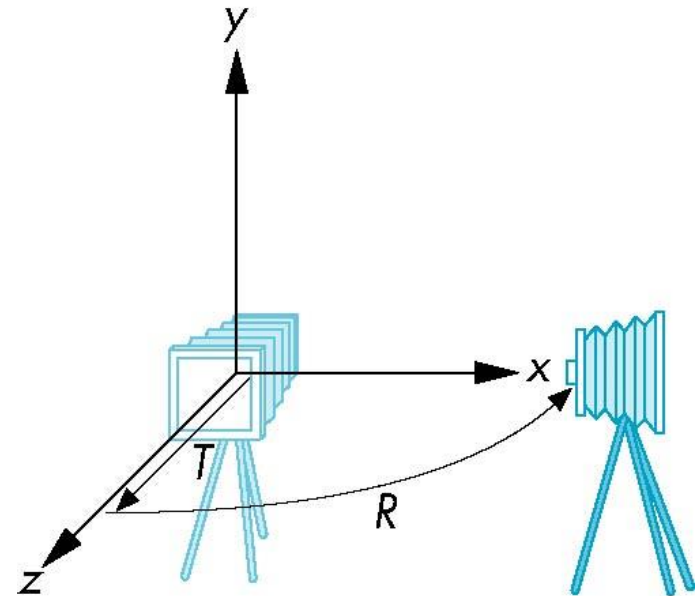


(b)



Moving the Camera

- We can move the camera to any desired position by a sequence of rotations and translations
- Example: side view
 - Rotate the camera
 - Move it away from origin
 - Model-view matrix $C = TR$





WebGL code

- Remember that last transformation specified is first to be applied

```
// Using MVnew.js
```

```
var t = translate (0.0, 0.0, -d);  
var ry = rotateY(90.0);  
var m = mult(t, ry);
```

or

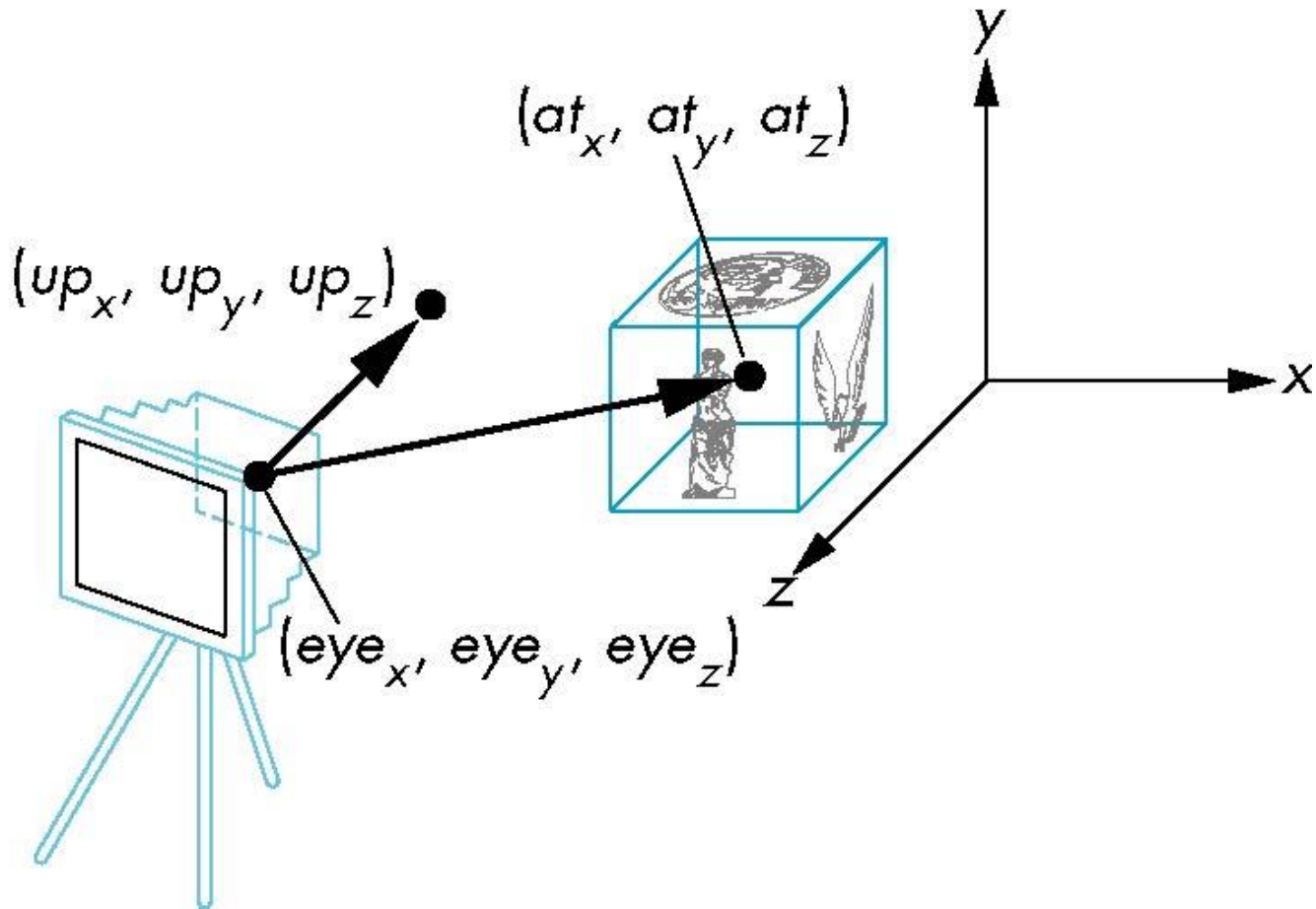
```
var m = mult(translate (0.0, 0.0, -d),  
             rotateY(90.0));
```



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lookAt

`LookAt(eye, at, up)`





The lookAt Function

- The GLU library contained the function `gluLookAt` to form the required modelview matrix through a simple interface
- Note the need for setting an up direction
- Replaced by `lookAt()` in MV.js
 - Can concatenate with modeling transformations
- Example: isometric view of cube aligned with axes

```
var eye = vec3(1.0, 1.0, 1.0);  
var at = vec3(0.0, 0.0, 0.0);  
var up = vec3(0.0, 1.0, 0.0);  
var mv = LookAt(eye, at, up);
```



Other Viewing APIs

- The LookAt function is only one possible API for positioning the camera
- Others include
 - View reference point, view plane normal, view up (PHIGS, GKS-3D)
 - Yaw, pitch, roll
 - Elevation, azimuth, twist
 - Direction angles



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Computer Viewing Projection

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Objectives

-
- Introduce the mathematics of projection
 - Add WebGL projection functions in MVnew.js



Projections and Normalization

- The default projection in the eye (camera) frame is orthogonal
- For points within the default view volume

$$x_p = x$$

$$y_p = y$$

$$z_p = 0$$

- Most graphics systems use *view normalization*
 - All other views are converted to the default view by transformations that determine the projection matrix
 - Allows use of the same pipeline for all views



Homogeneous Coordinate Representation

default orthographic projection

$$x_p = x$$

$$y_p = y$$

$$z_p = 0$$

$$w_p = 1$$

$$\mathbf{p}_p = \mathbf{M}\mathbf{p}$$

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

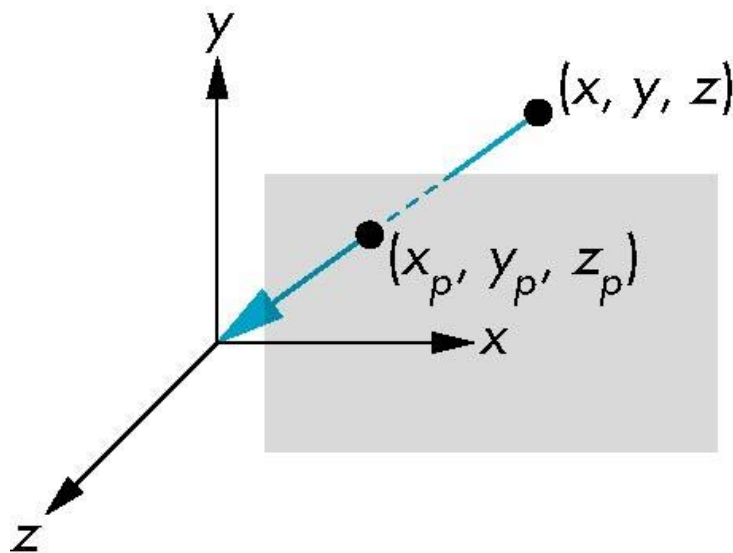
In practice, we can let $\mathbf{M} = \mathbf{I}$ and set the z term to zero later



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Simple Perspective

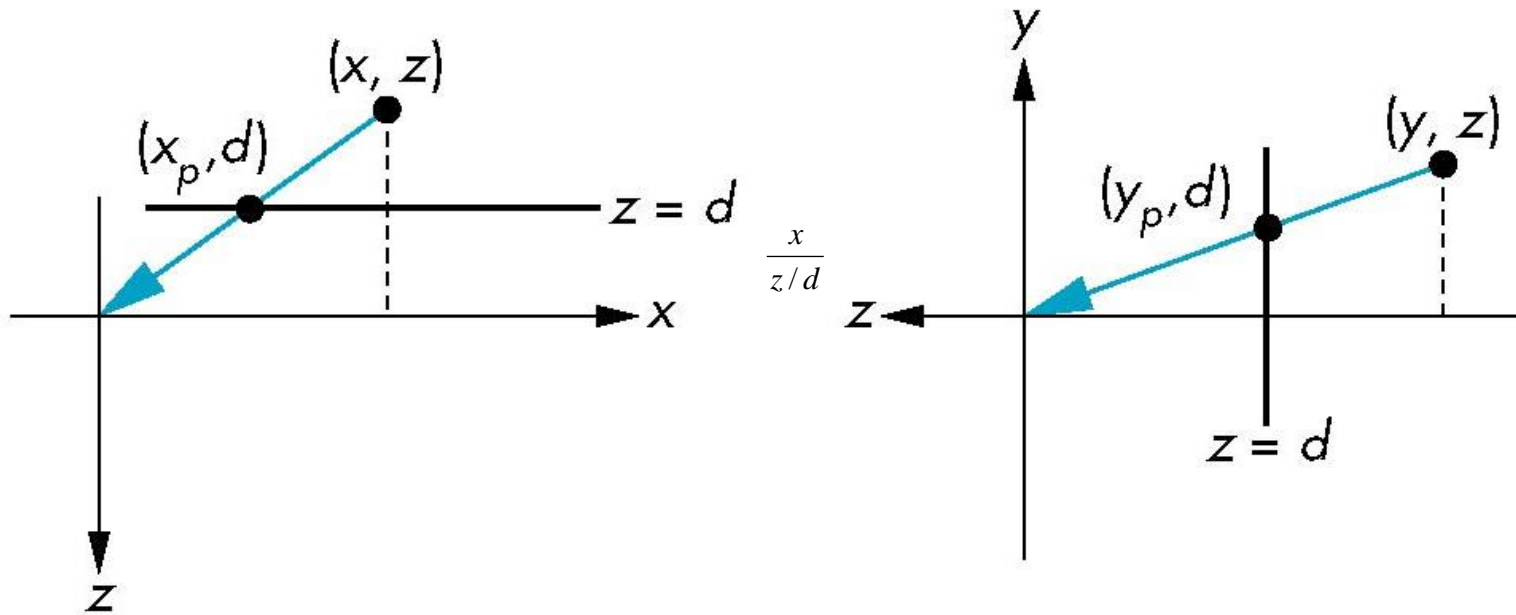
- Center of projection at the origin
- Projection plane $z = d$, $d < 0$





Perspective Equations

Consider top and side views



$$x_p = \frac{x}{z/d}$$

$$y_p = \frac{y}{z/d}$$

$$z_p = d$$

Homogeneous Coordinate Form

consider $\mathbf{q} = \mathbf{M}\mathbf{p}$ where $\mathbf{M} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1/d & 0 \end{bmatrix}$

$$\mathbf{q} = \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow \mathbf{p} = \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \\ z/d \end{bmatrix}$$



Perspective Division

- However $w \neq 1$, so we must divide by w to return from homogeneous coordinates
- This *perspective division* yields

$$x_p = \frac{x}{z/d} \quad y_p = \frac{y}{z/d} \quad z_p = d$$

the desired perspective equations

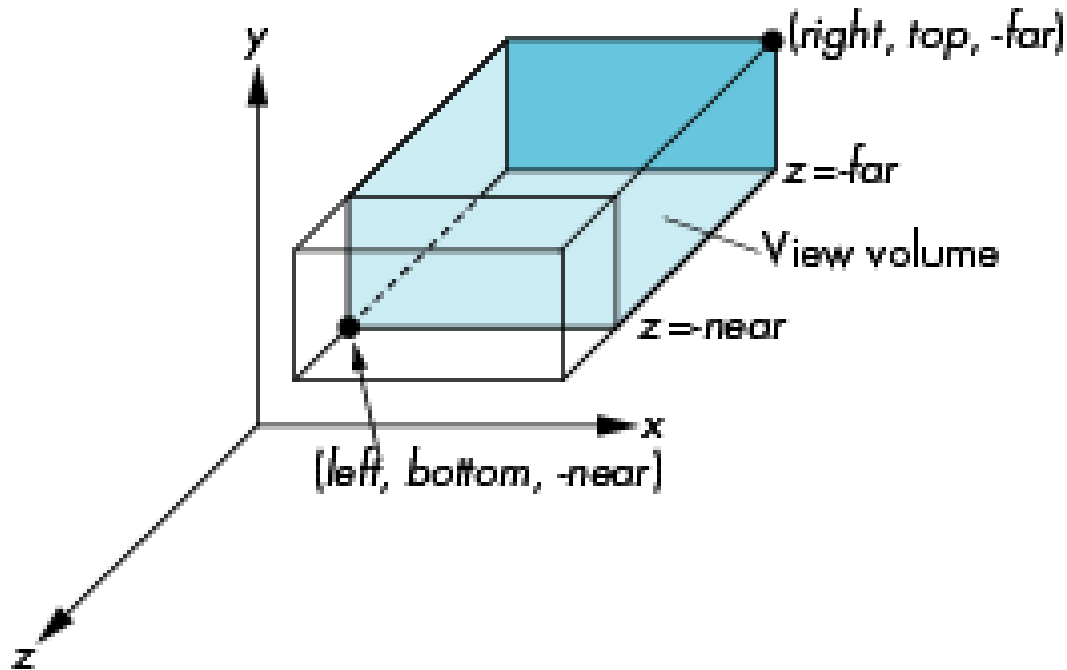
- We will consider the corresponding clipping volume with `mat.h` functions that are equivalent to deprecated OpenGL functions



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WebGL Orthogonal Viewing

`ortho(left, right, bottom, top, near, far)`



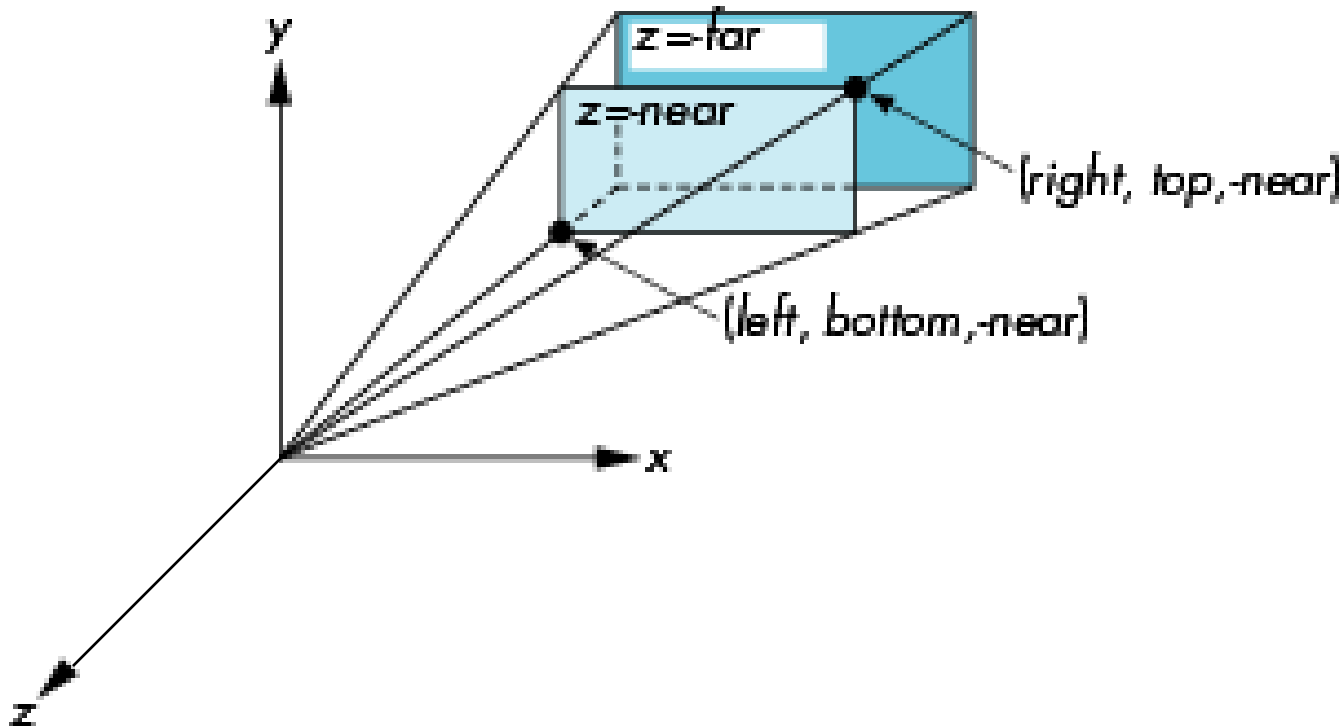
`near` and `far` measured from camera



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WebGL Perspective

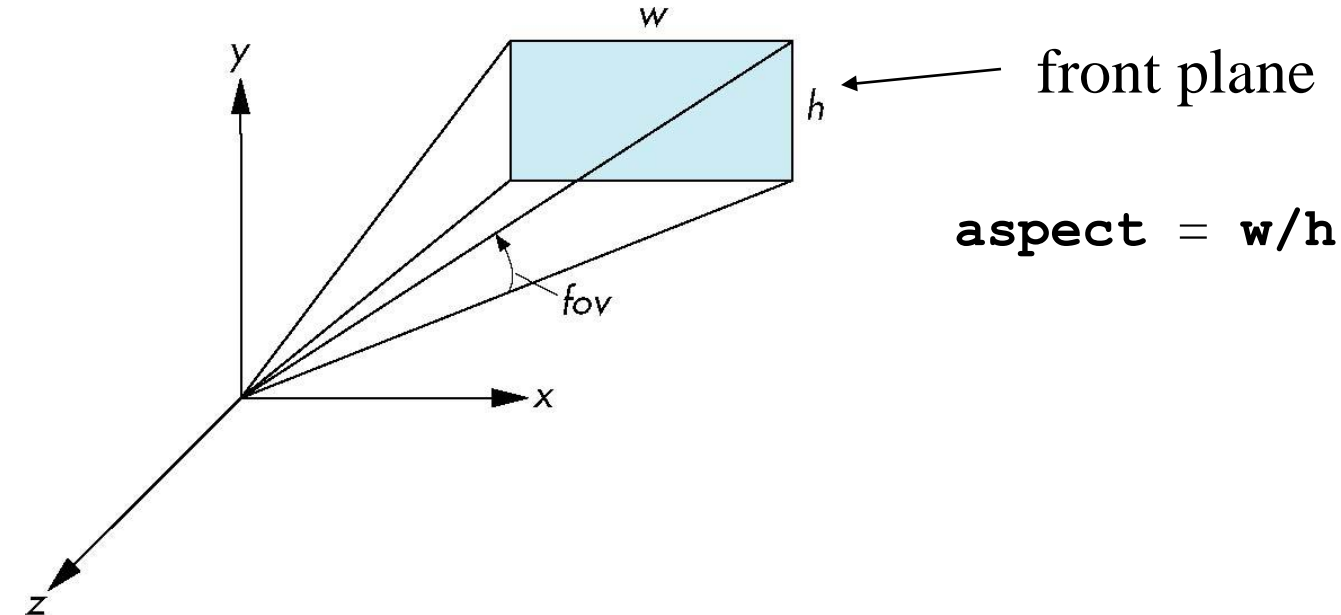
`frustum(left, right, bottom, top, near, far)`





Using Field of View

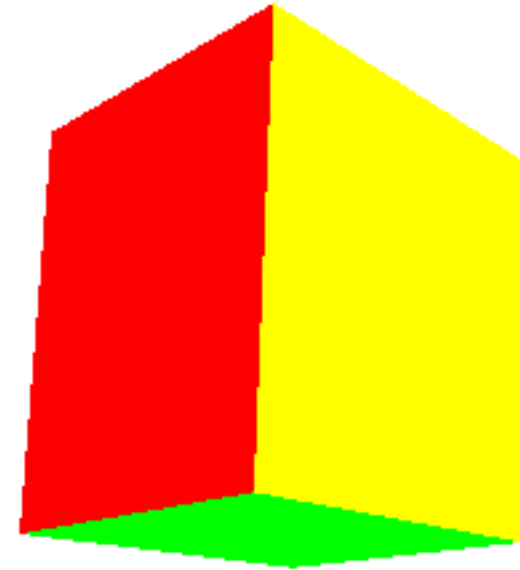
- With `frustum` it is often difficult to get the desired view
- `perspective(fovy, aspect, near, far)` often provides a better interface





Computing Matrices

- Compute in JS file, send to vertex shader with `gl.uniformMatrix4fv`
- Dynamic: update in `render()` or shader



zNear .01 3
zFar 3 10
radius 0.05 10
theta -90 90
phi -90 90
fov 10 120
aspect 0.5 2



perspective2.js

```
var render = function(){  
    gl.clear( gl.COLOR_BUFFER_BIT | gl.DEPTH_BUFFER_BIT);  
    eye = vec3(radius*Math.sin(theta)*Math.cos(phi),  
        radius*Math.sin(theta)*Math.sin(phi), radius*Math.cos(theta));  
    modelViewMatrix = lookAt(eye, at , up);  
    projectionMatrix = perspective(fovy, aspect, near, far);  
    gl.uniformMatrix4fv( modelViewMatrixLoc, false,  
        flatten(modelViewMatrix) );  
    gl.uniformMatrix4fv( projectionMatrixLoc, false,  
        flatten(projectionMatrix) );  
    gl.drawArrays( gl.TRIANGLES, 0, NumVertices );  
    requestAnimationFrame(render);  
}
```



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vertex shader

```
#version 300 es
in  vec4 aPosition;
in  vec4 aColor;
out vec4 vColor;
uniform mat4 uModelViewMatrix;
uniform mat4 uProjectionMatrix;

void main(){
    gl_Position = uProjectionMatrix*uModelViewMatrix*aPosition;
    vColor = aColor;
}
```



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The Virtual Trackball

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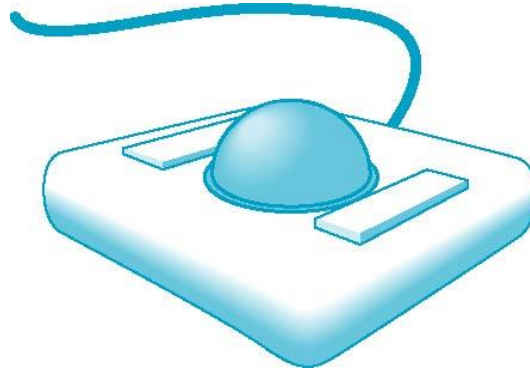
Objectives

- This is an optional lecture that
 - Introduces the use of graphical (virtual) devices that can be created using WebGL
 - Reinforce the benefit of not using direction angles and Euler angles
 - Makes use of transformations
 - Leads to reusable code that will be helpful later



Physical Trackball

- The trackball is an “upside down” mouse



- If there is little friction between the ball and the rollers, we can give the ball a push and it will keep rolling yielding continuous changes
- Two possible modes of operation
 - Continuous pushing or tracking hand motion
 - Spinning



A Trackball from a Mouse

- Problem: we want to get the two behavior modes from a mouse
- We would also like the mouse to emulate a frictionless (ideal) trackball
- Solve in two steps
 - Map trackball position to mouse position
 - Use event listeners to handle the proper modes



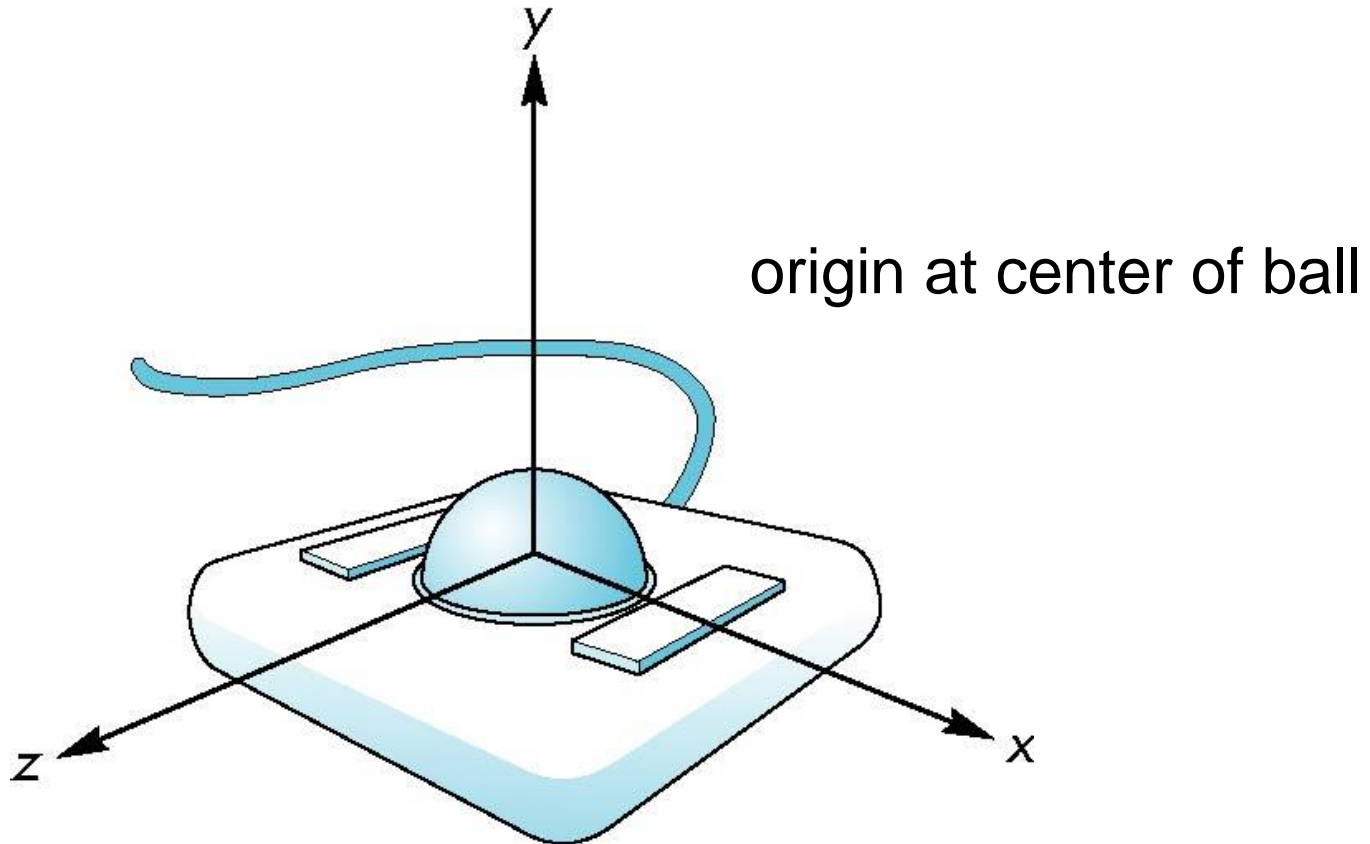
Using Quaternions

- Quaternion arithmetic works well for representing rotations around the origin
- Can use directly avoiding rotation matrices in the virtual trackball
- Code was made available long ago (pre shader) by SGI
- Quaternion shaders are simple



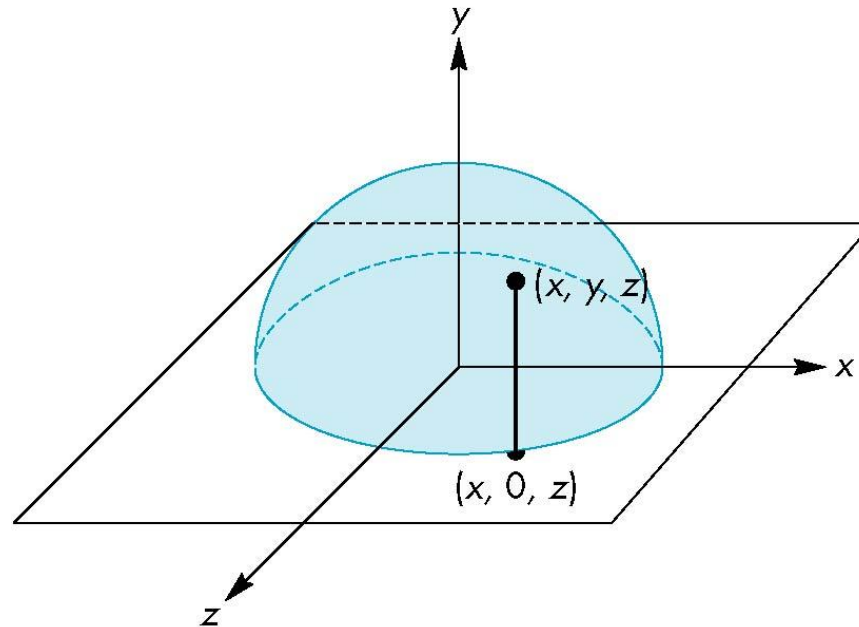
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Trackball Frame



Projection of Trackball Position

- We can relate position on trackball to position on a normalized mouse pad by projecting orthogonally onto pad





Reversing Projection

- Because both the pad and the upper hemisphere of the ball are two-dimensional surfaces, we can reverse the projection
- A point (x,z) on the mouse pad corresponds to the point (x,y,z) on the upper hemisphere where

$$y = \sqrt{r^2 - x^2 - z^2} \quad \text{if } r \geq |x| \geq 0, r \geq |z| \geq 0$$



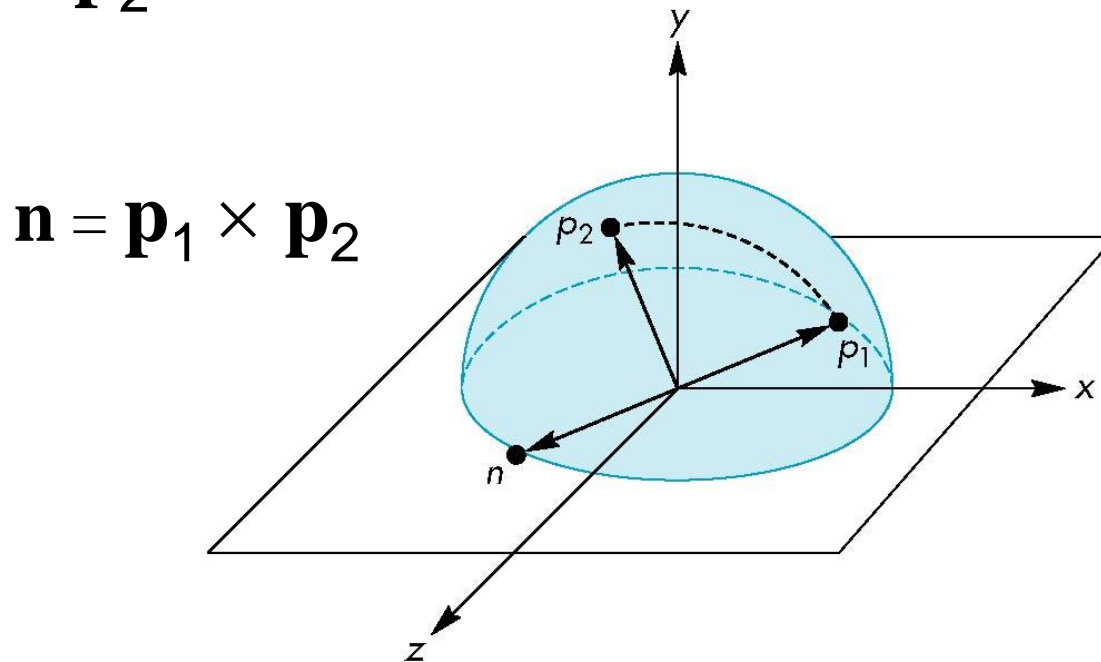
Computing Rotations

- Suppose that we have two points that were obtained from the mouse.
- We can project them up to the hemisphere to points \mathbf{p}_1 and \mathbf{p}_2
- These points determine a great circle on the sphere
- We can rotate from \mathbf{p}_1 to \mathbf{p}_2 by finding the proper axis of rotation and the angle between the points



Using the cross product

- The axis of rotation is given by the normal to the plane determined by the origin, \mathbf{p}_1 , and \mathbf{p}_2





Obtaining the angle

- The angle between \mathbf{p}_1 and \mathbf{p}_2 is given by

$$|\sin \theta| = \frac{|\mathbf{n}|}{|\mathbf{p}_1| |\mathbf{p}_2|}$$

- If we move the mouse slowly or sample its position frequently, then θ will be small and we can use the approximation

$$\sin \theta \approx \theta$$



Implementing with WebGL

- Define actions in terms of three booleans
- **trackingMouse**: if true update trackball position
- **redrawContinue**: if true, idle function posts a redisplay
- **trackballMove**: if true, update rotation matrix



Vertex Shader I

```
in vec4 vPosition;  
in vec4 vColor;  
out vec4 color;  
uniform vec4 rquat; // rotation quaternion
```

```
// quaternion multiplier
```

```
vec4 multq(vec4 a, vec4 b)  
{  
    return(vec4(a.x*b.x - dot(a.yzw, b.yzw),  
                a.x*b.yzw+b.x*a.yzw+cross(b.yzw, a.yzw)));  
}
```



Vertex Shader II

```
// inverse quaternion
```

```
vec4 invq(vec4 a)
```

```
{ return(vec4(a.x, -a.yzw)/dot(a,a)); }
```

```
void main() {
```

```
vec3 axis = rquat.yxw;
```

```
float theta = rquat.x;
```

```
vec4 r, p;
```

```
p = vec4(0.0, vPosition.xyz); // input point quaternion
```

```
p = multq(rquat, multq(p, invq(rquat))); // rotated point quaternion
```

```
gl_Position = vec4( p.yzw, 1.0); // back to homogeneous coordinates
```

```
color = vColor;
```

```
}
```