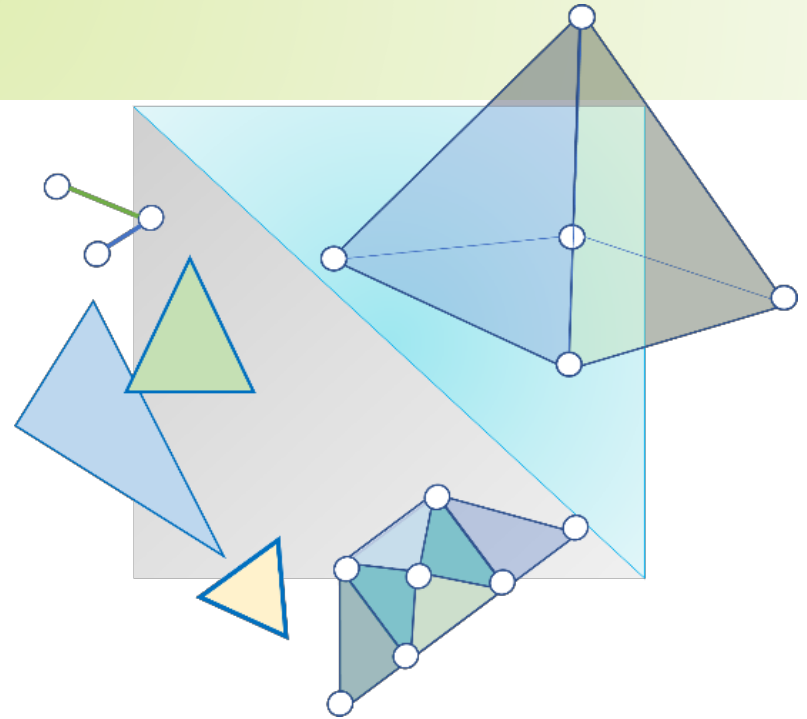


# CITS3003 Graphics & Animation

## Lecture 12: Computer Viewing

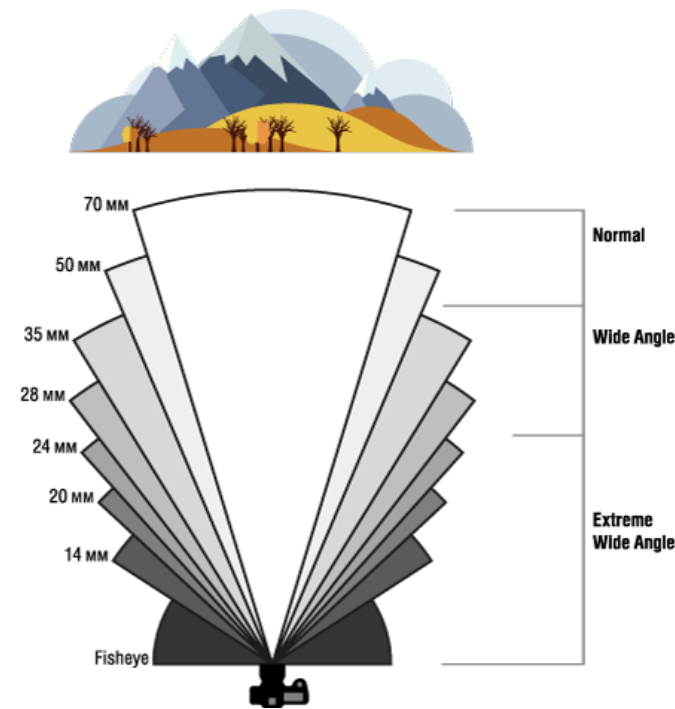


# Objectives

- Introduce OpenGL viewing functions
  - Learn how to place the camera
- Introduce the mathematics of projection
  - Learn how to define orthographic and perspective projection
  - gluLookAt(), glOrtho(), glFrustum(), gluPerspective() and their mat.h counterparts
- Introduce glMatrixMode()

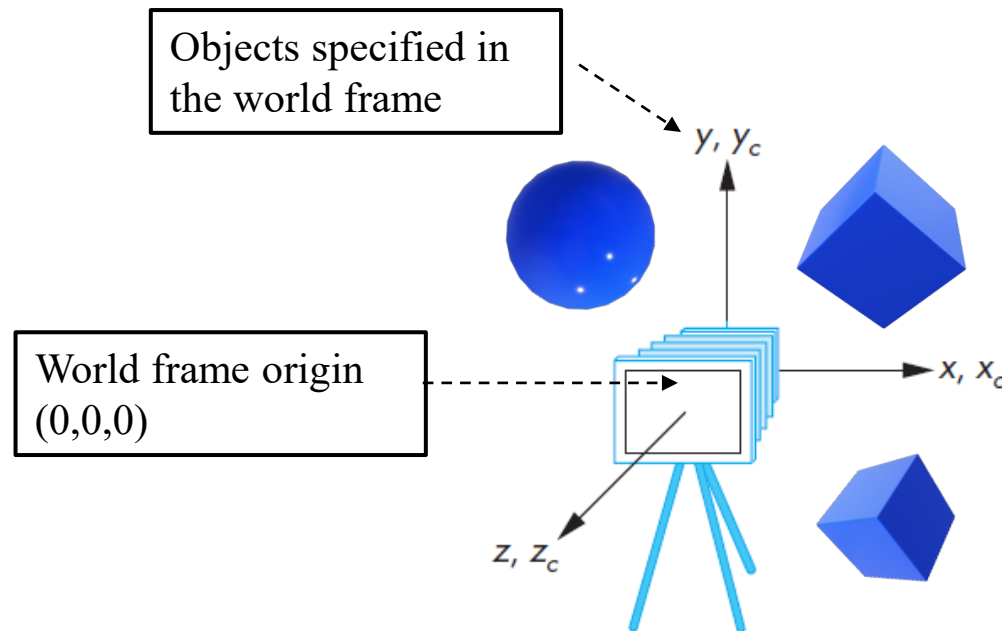
# Computer Viewing

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



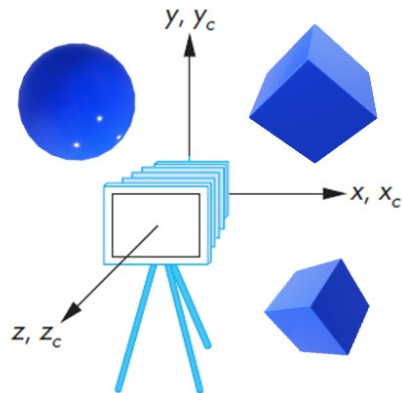
# The OpenGL Camera

- In OpenGL, initially the object and camera frames are the same
  - The default model-view matrix is an identity
- The camera is located at the origin and points in the negative  $z$  direction



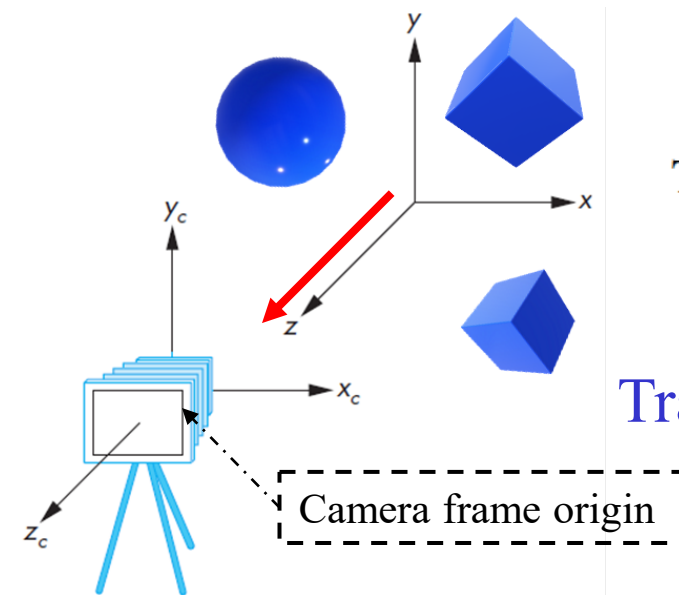
# Moving the Camera Frame

default frames



Default Frames

frames after translation by  $d$   
where  $d > 0$



Translate the camera in  
+z direction

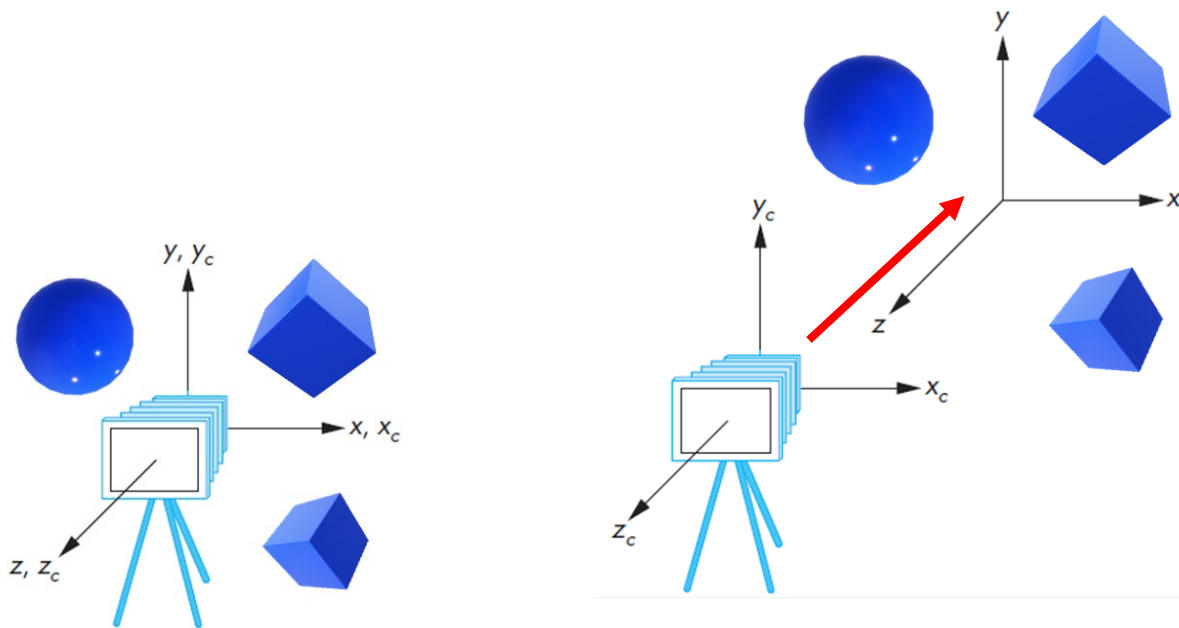
$$T = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -d \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

`Translate(0.0,0.0,-d);`

# Moving the Camera Frame

We can move the objects in the  $-z$  direction

- Moving the world frame



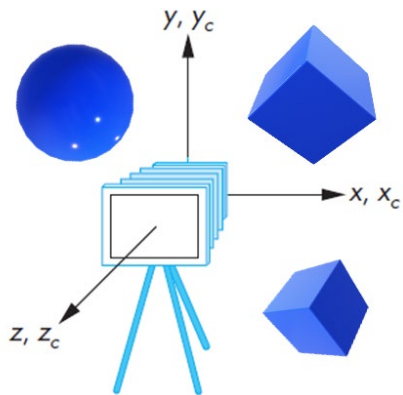
Default Frames

Translate the objects in  $-z$  direction

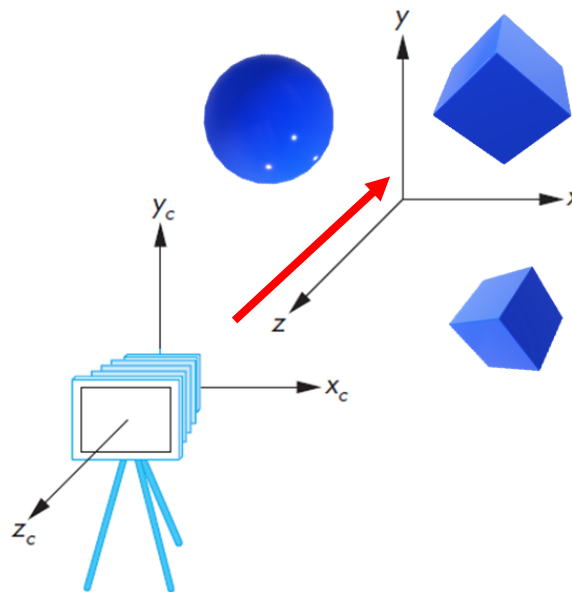
# Moving the Camera Frame

- If we want to visualize objects that have both positive and negative  $z$  —values we can either
  - Move the objects in the negative  $z$  direction
    - Translate the world frame
  - Move the camera in the positive  $z$  direction
    - Translate the camera frame

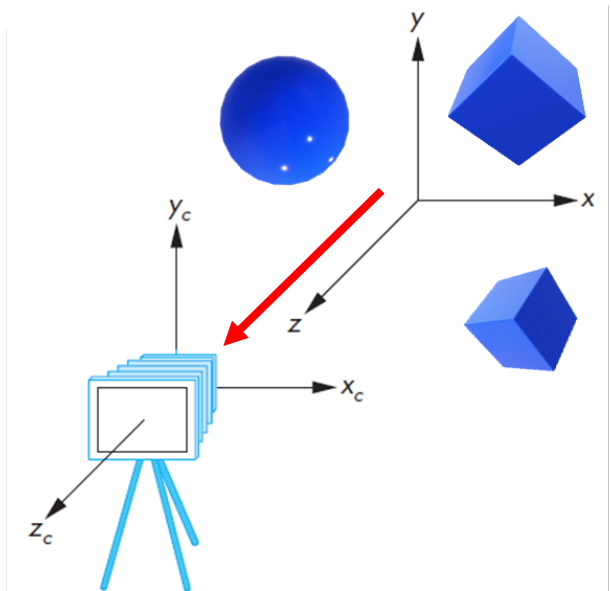
Both of these views are equivalent and are determined by the model-view matrix



Default Frames



Translate the objects  
in - $z$  direction



Translate the camera in  
+ $z$  direction

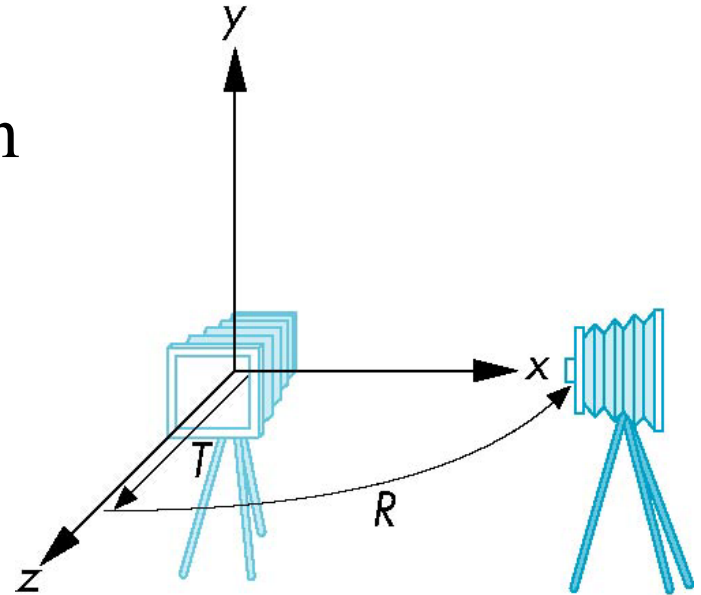
# Moving the Camera

We can move the camera to any desired position by a sequence of rotations and translations

**Example:** side view at the  
 $+x$  axis looking towards the origin

1. Rotate the camera
2. Move it away from origin

Model-view matrix  $M = TR$





# Moving the Camera – OpenGL code

- Remember that the last transformation specified is first to be applied

```
// Using mat.h
```

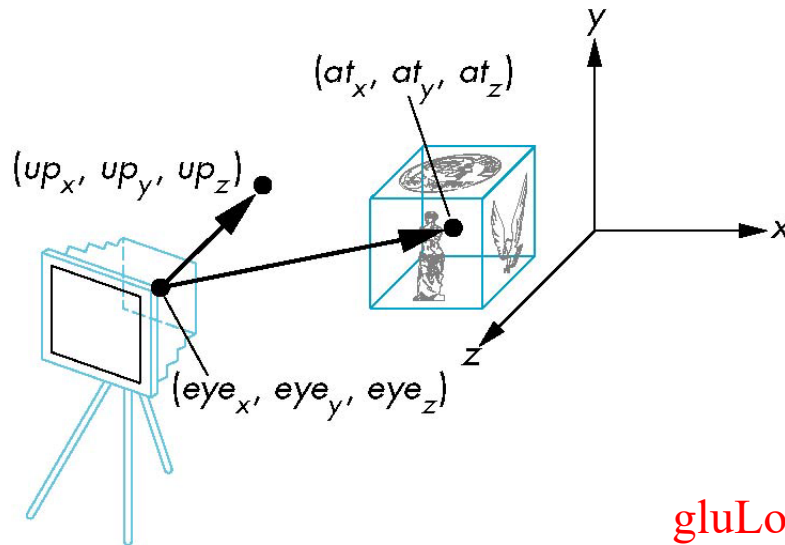
```
mat4 t = Translate (0.0, 0.0, -d);  
mat4 ry = RotateY(90.0);  
mat4 m = t*ry;
```

# The LookAt() Function

- The GLU library contains the function `gluLookAt` which can be used to form the required model-view matrix.

```
void gluLookAt(eyeX, eyeY, eyeZ, centreX, centreY, centreZ, upX, upY, upZ)
```

- We need to define the **eye** (camera) position, the **centre** (fixation point), and an **up** direction. All are of type GLdouble.



Programmer defines:

- **eye** position
- LookAt point (**at**) and
- **Up** vector (**Up** direction usually  $(0,1,0)$ )

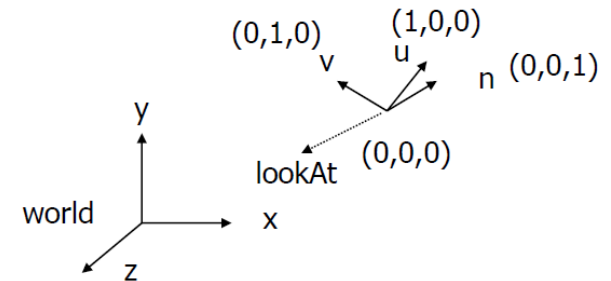
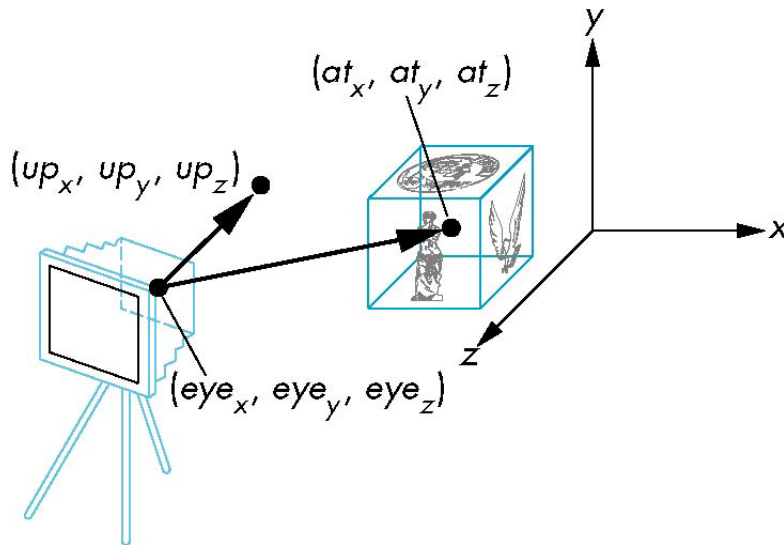
**gluLookAt deprecated!**

# The LookAt() Function

- Alternatively, we can use `LookAt()` defined in `mat.h`
  - The function returns a `mat4` matrix.
  - Can concatenate with modeling transformations
- Example:

Type: GLfloat

```
mat4 mv = LookAt(vec4 eye, vec4 at, vec4 up);
```



The LookAt() Function:

- Forms camera  $(u,v,n)$  frame
  - $n$  away from the view volume,
  - $v$  is the cross product of  $n$  and up vector,
  - $u$  at right angles to both  $n$  and  $v$
- Compose matrix to transform coordinates (object to camera)

# Other Camera Viewing Controls

- The **LookAt()** function is only for positioning the camera
- Other ways to specify camera position are:
  - Yaw, pitch, roll (angles)
  - Elevation, azimuth, twist (angles)

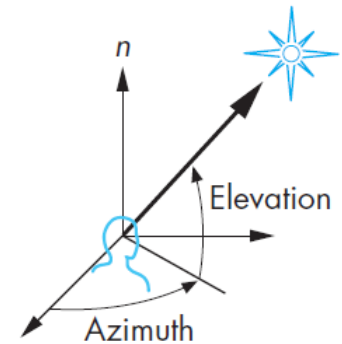
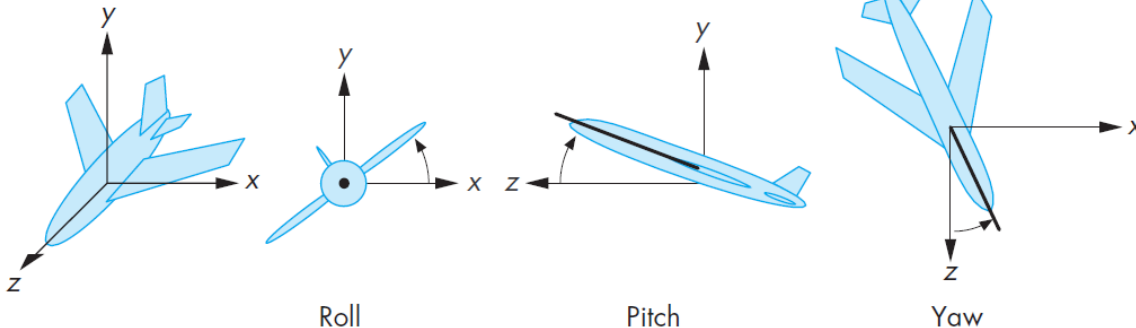
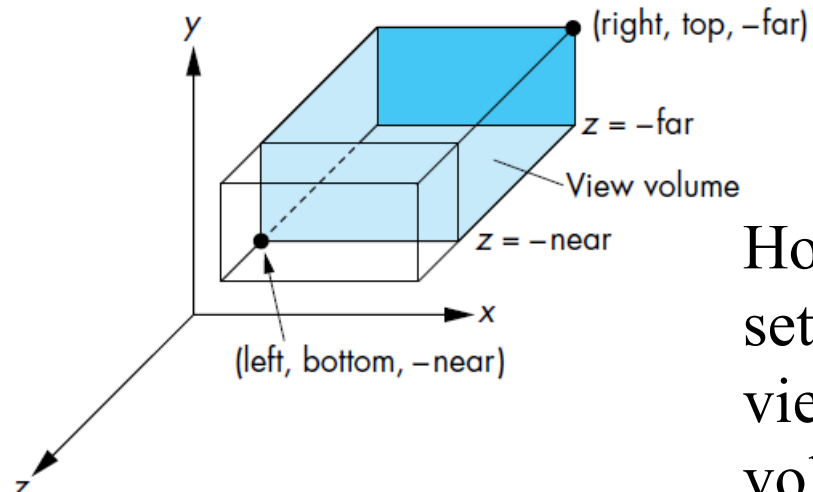


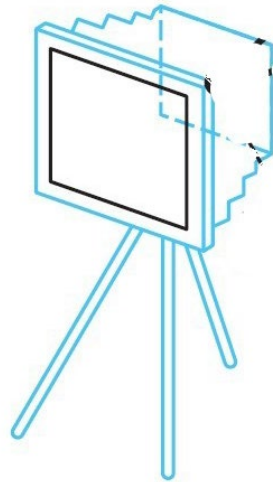
FIGURE 4.20 Elevation and azimuth.

# 3D Viewing and View Volume

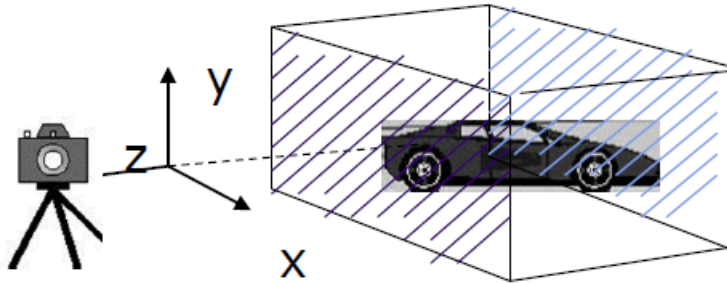


How do we  
set the  
viewing  
volume?

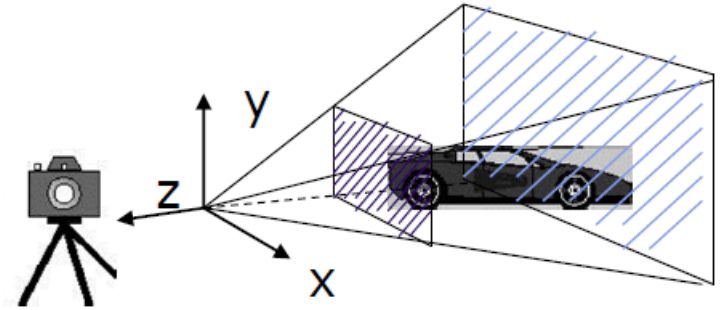
Previously  
we set the  
camera  
position



# Different View Volumes



Orthogonal View Volume



Perspective View Volume

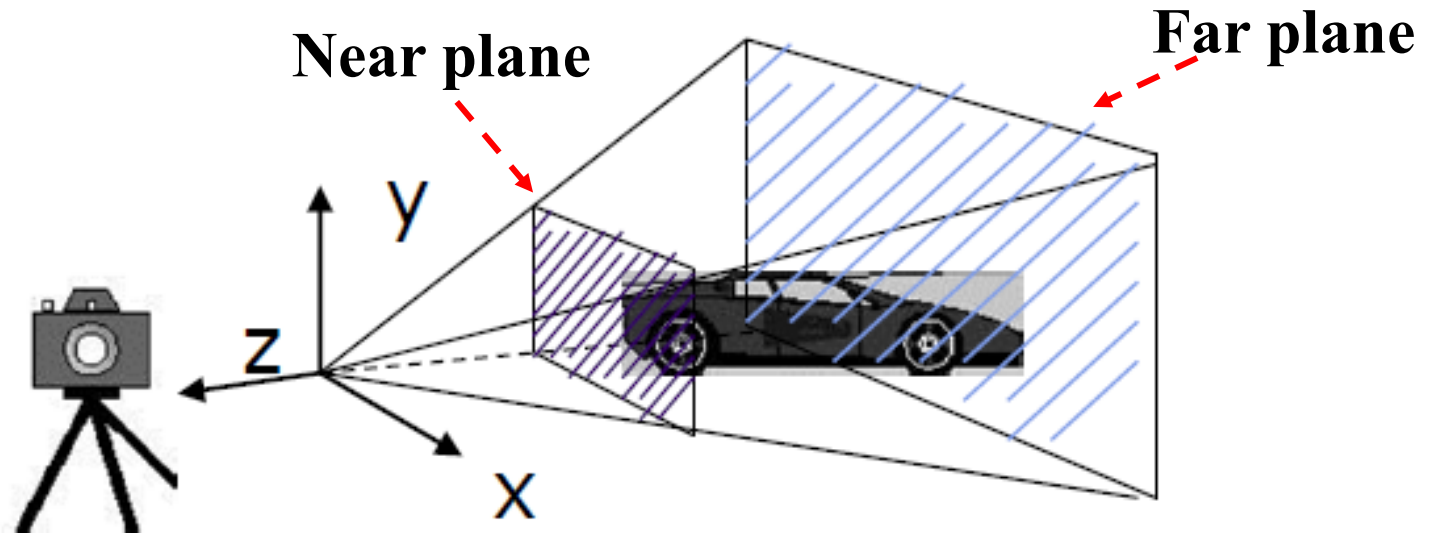
Different view volume leads to different look

## View volume parameters:

- Projection: Perspective, orthographic etc.,
- Near and far clipping planes- **only the objects b/w near and far planes appear on the image**
- Field of view – **determines how much of the world is captured in the picture**
- Aspect ratio- **w/h of the near plane**

# Viewing Frustum

Near plane + far plane + field of view = **Viewing Frustum**



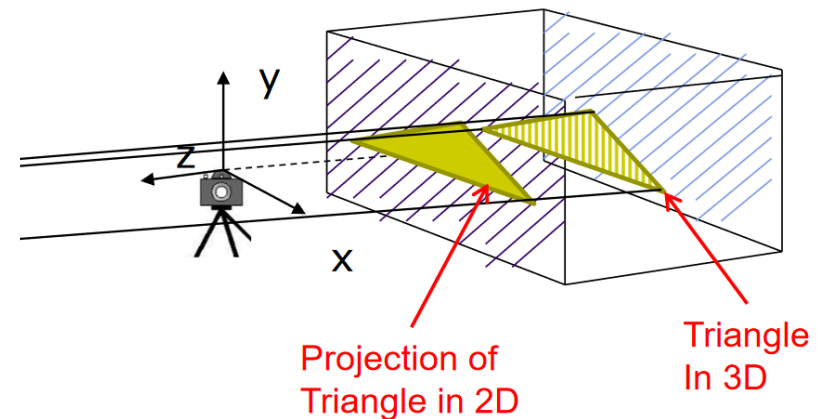
Objects outside the viewing frustum are clipped

# Default Orthographic Projection

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

How to find the orthographic projection of a 3D object on a projection plane?

- Draw parallel lines from each object vertex to the projection plane.
- The projection center is at infinite
- Use (x,y) coordinates, just drop z coordinates



In orthographic projection, the projection lines are parallel to each other and perpendicular to the projection plane. Because there is no convergence of light rays in orthographic projection, the concept of focal length is not applicable



# Default Orthographic Projection

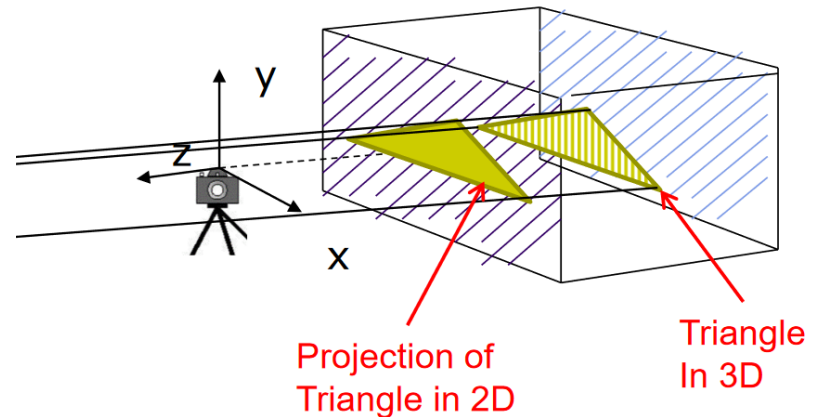
- The default projection in the eye (camera) frame is orthogonal
- For a point  $\mathbf{p} = (x, y, z, 1)^T$  within the default view volume, it is projected to  $\mathbf{p}_p = (x_p, y_p, z_p, w_p)^T$ , where

$$x_p = x, \quad y_p = y, \quad z_p = 0, \quad w_p = 1$$

- i.e., we can define

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

and we can then write  $\mathbf{P}_p = \mathbf{M}\mathbf{p}$



- In practice, we can let  $\mathbf{M} = \mathbf{I}$  and then set  $z$  to 0

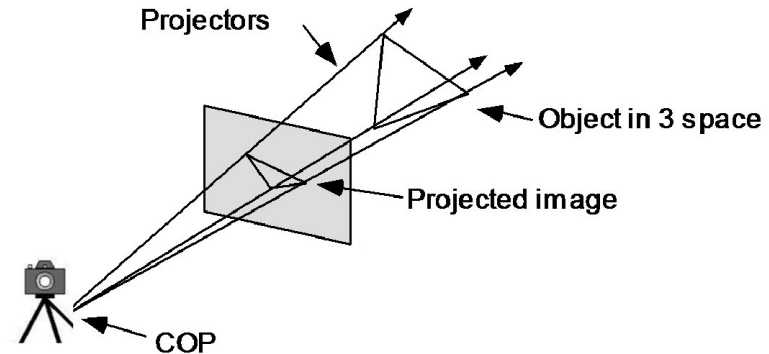
# Simple Perspective

In perspective projection, the camera's focal length  $d$  is **finite**

A simple perspective projection:

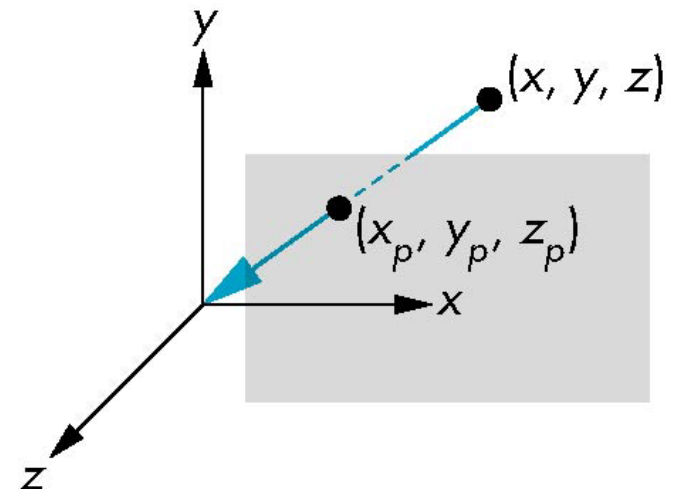
Center of projection is at the origin

Projection plane  $z = d$ , where  $d < 0$



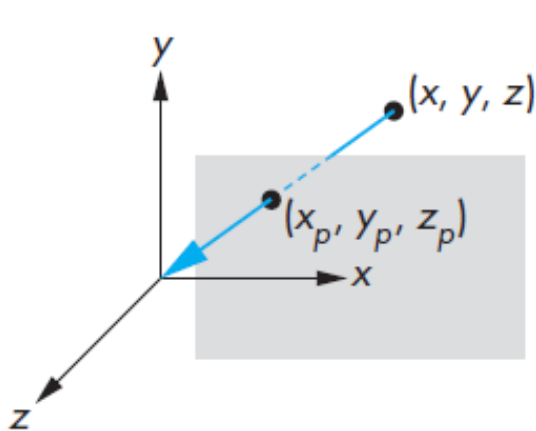
How to find the perspective projection of a 3D object on a projection plane?

- Draw line from object to projection center
- Calculate where each intersects projection plane

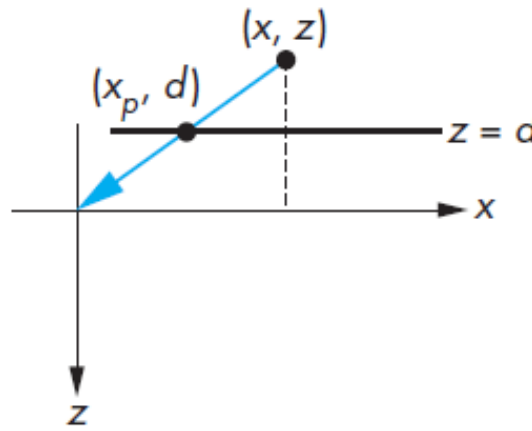


# Simple Perspective (cont.)

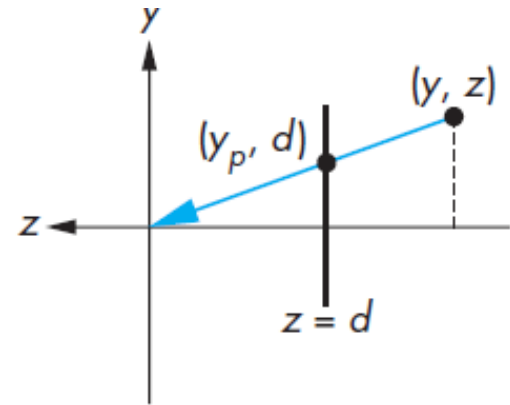
Consider the top and side views



(a)



(b) (top view)



(c) (side view)

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

$$\text{i.e., } x_p = \frac{x}{z/d}$$

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

$$\text{i.e., } y_p = \frac{y}{z/d} \quad z_p = d$$

Recall: the  
OpenGL synthetic  
camera model in  
an earlier lecture

# Simple Perspective (cont.)

Consider  $\mathbf{q} = \mathbf{M}\mathbf{p}$  where

$$\mathbf{M} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1/d & 0 \end{bmatrix} \text{ and } \mathbf{p} = \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

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

$$\mathbf{q}' = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{x}{z/d} \\ \frac{y}{z/d} \\ d \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} x_p \\ y_p \\ z_p \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

In OpenGL, this is the  $w$  term

# Perspective Division

- Since  $w = z/d \neq 1$ , so we must divide by  $w$  to return back to our three-dimensional space.
- This *perspective division* yields

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

which are the desired perspective equations, as on slide 20.

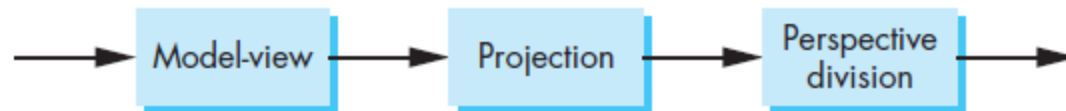


FIGURE 4.33 Projection pipeline.

# Orthogonal Viewing

- The OpenGL orthogonal viewing function is:

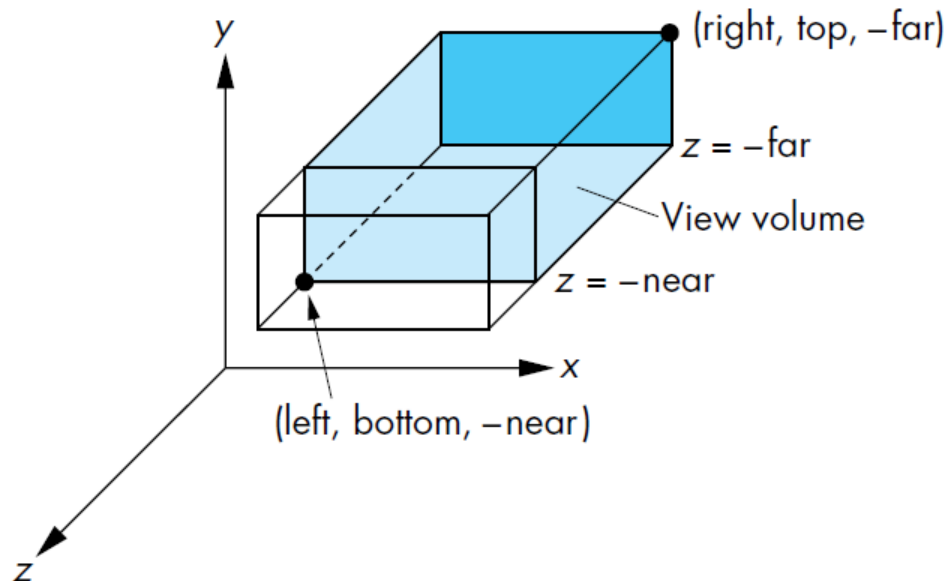
`void glOrtho(left, right, bottom, top, near, far)`

Type: GLdouble

- Alternatively, we can use `Ortho()` defined in `mat.h`:

`mat4 Ortho(left, right, bottom, top, near, far)`

Type: GLfloat

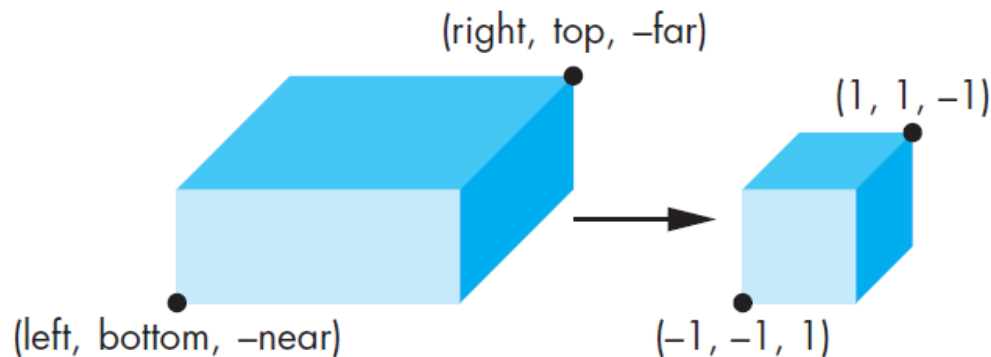


**near** and **far** are measured from camera

# Orthogonal Normalization

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

normalization  $\Rightarrow$  find transformation to convert  
specified clipping volume to default



# 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  
 $S(2/(left-right), 2/(top-bottom), 2/(near-far))$

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

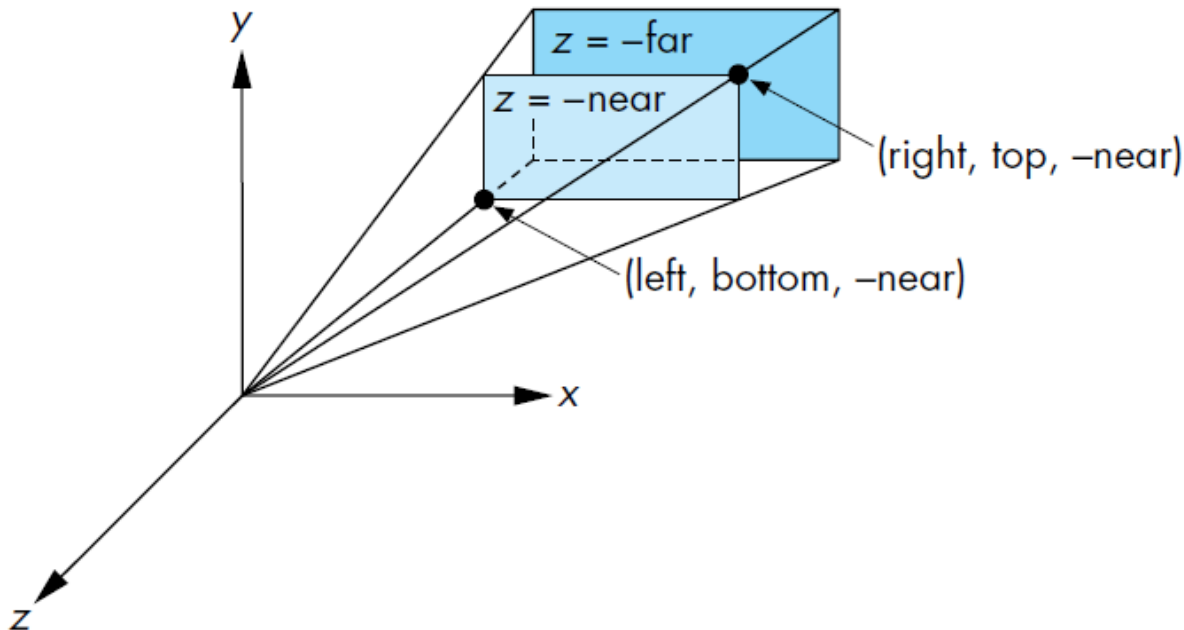


# Perspective Viewing

- To define a perspective transformation matrix for the camera, we can use

`mat4 Frustum(left, right, bottom, top, near, far)`

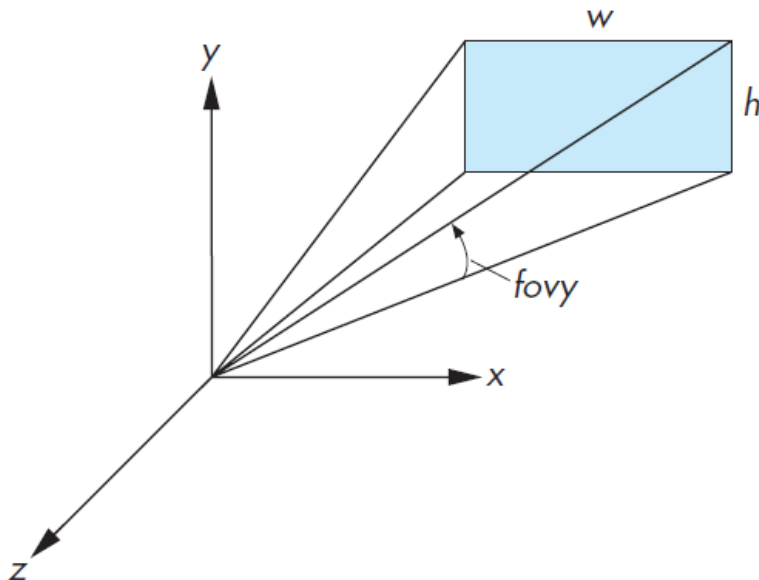
defined in `mat.h`:



All are of type  
GLfloat

# Perspective Viewing with “Field of View”

- Another way to get perspective projection is:  
`mat4 Perspective(fovy, aspect, near, far)`  
which often provides a better interface



All are of type  
GLfloat

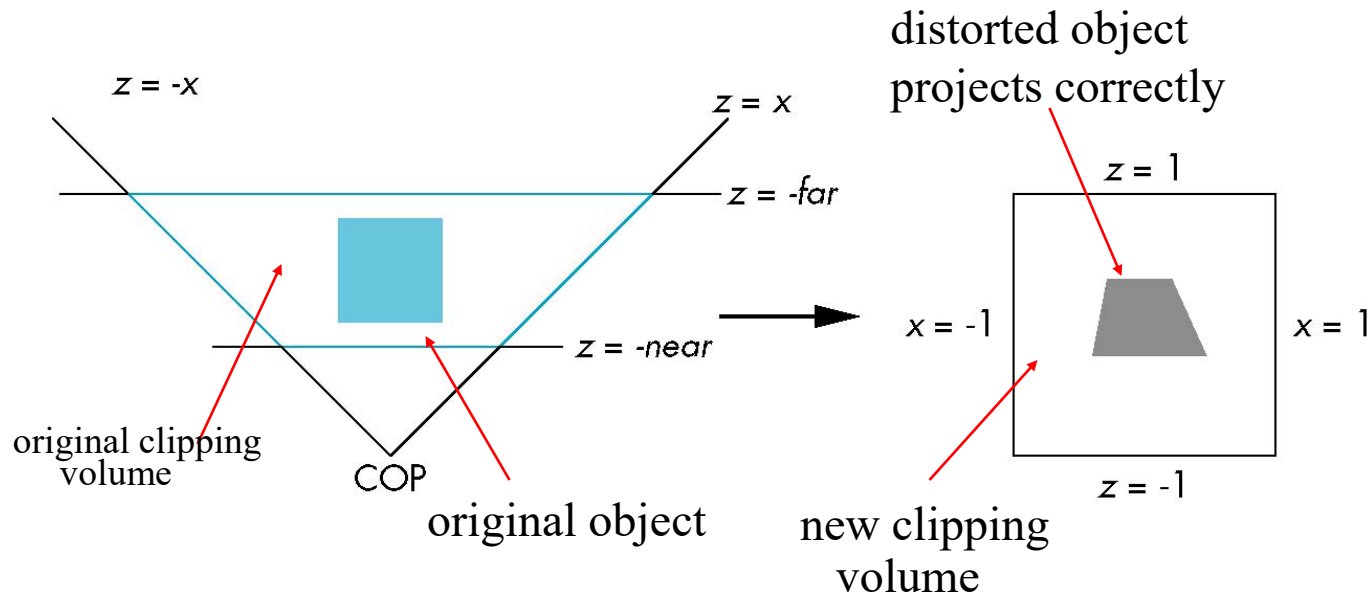
## Note:

$\text{aspect} = w/h$

*fovy* is an angle in degrees

The angle *fovy* is the angle between the top and bottom planes of the clipping volume.

# Perspective Normalization



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

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

projection matrix corresponding to Frustum(left,right,bottom,top,near,far)    projection matrix corresponding to Persective(fovy, aspect, near, far)

# The Complete Viewing Pipeline

- Model (orient individual objects)
- View (orient the camera OR the entire world)
- Projection

$$P * V * M_i * O_i$$

- There is one projection, one camera but there could be many objects  $O_i$  and hence  $M_i$  where  $i = 1, 2, 3, \dots, n$

# The Complete Viewing Pipeline

- Model (orient individual objects)
- View (orient the camera OR the entire world)
- Projection

$$P * V * M_i * O_i$$

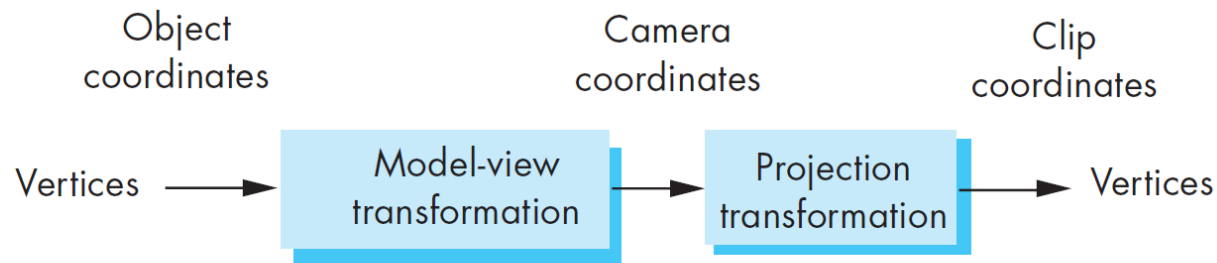


FIGURE 4.11 Viewing transformations.

- The model-view matrix will take vertices in object coordinates and convert them to a representation in camera coordinates.
- The projection matrix will both carry out the desired projection—either orthogonal or perspective—and convert a viewing volume specified in camera coordinates to fit inside the viewing cube in clip coordinates.

# gluLookAt(), glOrtho(), glFrustum(), and gluPerspective()

- Did you notice that...
- The “gl” and “glu” versions have no return arguments
- Whereas the mat.h versions `LootAt()`, `Ortho()`, `Frustum()` and `Perspective()` return 4x4 matrices of type `mat4`

# glMatrixMode()

- Recall that OpenGL is a state machine

Legacy OpenGL maintains several matrices for transforming points in 3D space

- **glMatrixMode()** defines the current matrix
  - GL\_MODELVIEW
  - GL\_PROJECTION
  - GL\_TEXTURE
  - GL\_COLOR
- **glGet(GL\_MATRIX\_MODE)** will return the current matrix mode

# glMatrixMode()

- When you define MODELVIEW with `gluLookAt()`  
- OR
- When you define PROJECTION with `glOrtho()`, `glFrustum()`, or `gluPerspective()`
- The current matrix is multiplied by the new matrix

```
glMatrixMode(GL_PROJECTION);  
glLoadIdentity() /*clear the matrix*/  
glFrustum(-1.0, -1.0, -1.0, 1.5, 20.0)
```



# Further Reading

“Interactive Computer Graphics – A Top-Down Approach with Shader-Based OpenGL” by Edward Angel and Dave Shreiner, 6<sup>th</sup> Ed, 2012

- Secs. 4.1. Classical and Computer Viewing; 4.1.2. Orthographic Projections; 4.1.5 Perspective Viewing
- Sec. 4.2. Viewing with a Computer
- Sec. 4.3.1. Positioning of the Camera Frame; 4.3.3. The Look-At Function
- Sec. 4.4.1. Orthographic Projections; 4.4.2. Parallel Viewing with OpenGL; 4.4.4. Orthogonal-Projection Matrices; (optional) 4.4.6 An Interactive Viewer
- Secs. 4.5. – 4.7. Projections – Perspective-Projection Matrices