

CSE 167:  
Introduction to Computer Graphics  
Lecture #4: Projection

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# Announcements

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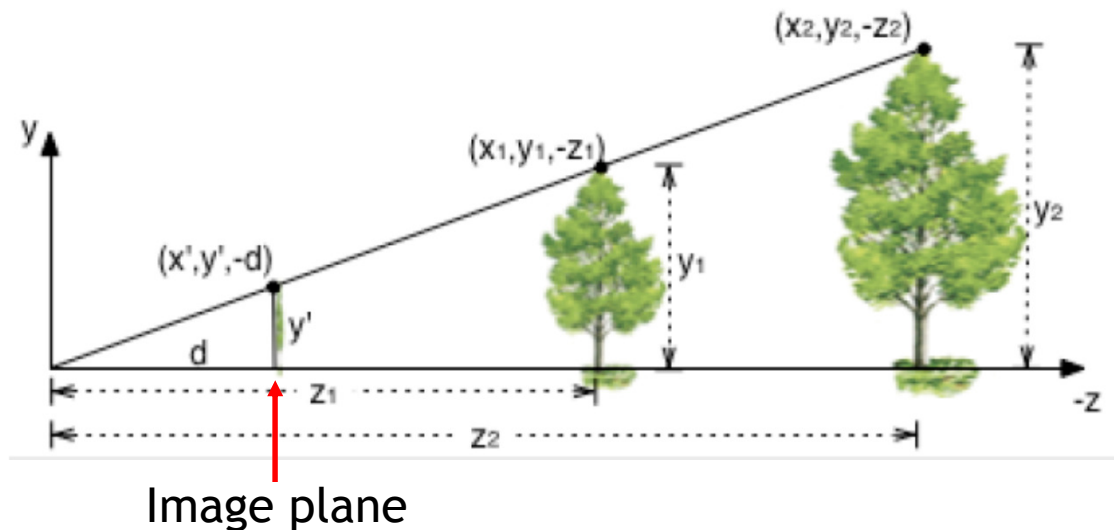
- ▶ **Project 2 due Friday at 1pm**
  - ▶ Grading starts at 12 noon
- ▶ **Project 3 discussion Monday at 4pm**

# Perspective Projection

From law of ratios in similar triangles follows:

$$\frac{y'}{d} = \frac{y_1}{z_1} \rightarrow y' = \frac{y_1 d}{z_1}$$

Similarly:  $x' = \frac{x_1 d}{z_1}$



By definition:  $z' = d$

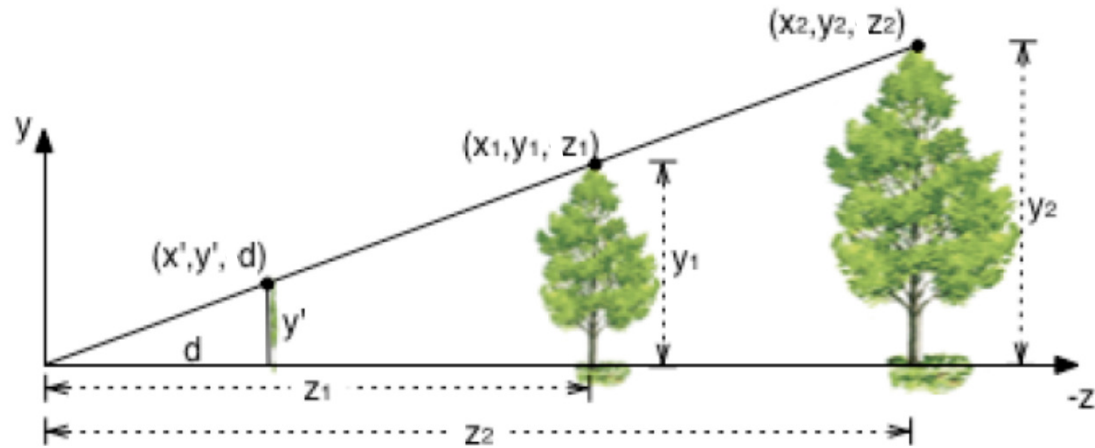
- ▶ We can express this using homogeneous coordinates and 4x4 matrices as follows

# Perspective Projection

$$x' = \frac{x_1 d}{z_1}$$

$$y' = \frac{y_1 d}{z_1}$$

$$z' = d$$



$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1/d & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \\ z/d \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} xd/z \\ yd/z \\ d \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

**Projection matrix**

**Homogeneous division**

# Perspective Projection

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## Projection matrix P

- ▶ Using projection matrix, homogeneous division seems more complicated than just multiplying all coordinates by  $d/z$ , so why do it?
- ▶ It will allow us to:
  - ▶ Handle different types of projections in a unified way
  - ▶ Define arbitrary view volumes

# Lecture Overview

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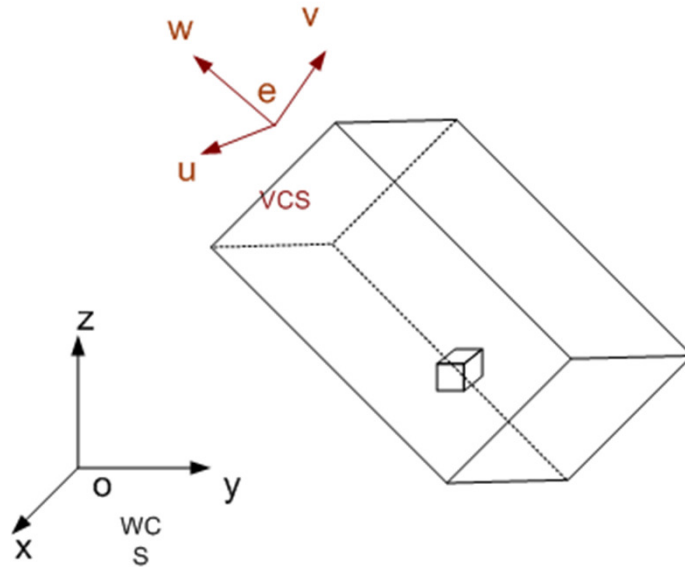
- ▶ **View Volumes**
- ▶ Vertex Transformation
- ▶ Rendering Pipeline
- ▶ Culling

# View Volumes

- ▶ View volume = 3D volume seen by camera

## Orthographic view volume

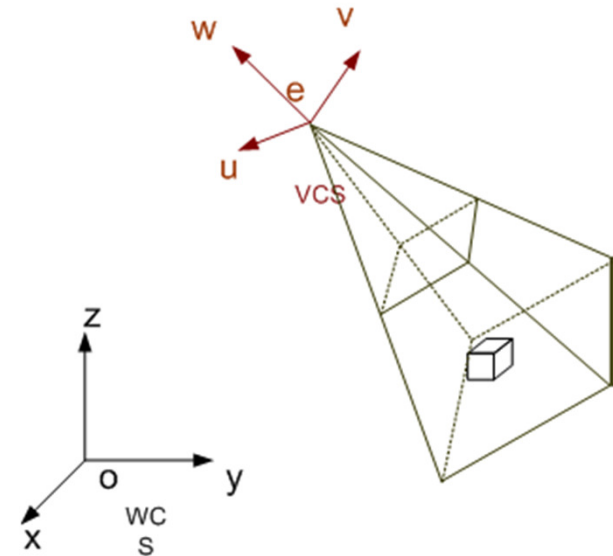
Camera coordinates



World coordinates

## Perspective view volume

Camera coordinates



World coordinates

# Projection Matrix

Camera coordinates

*Projection matrix*

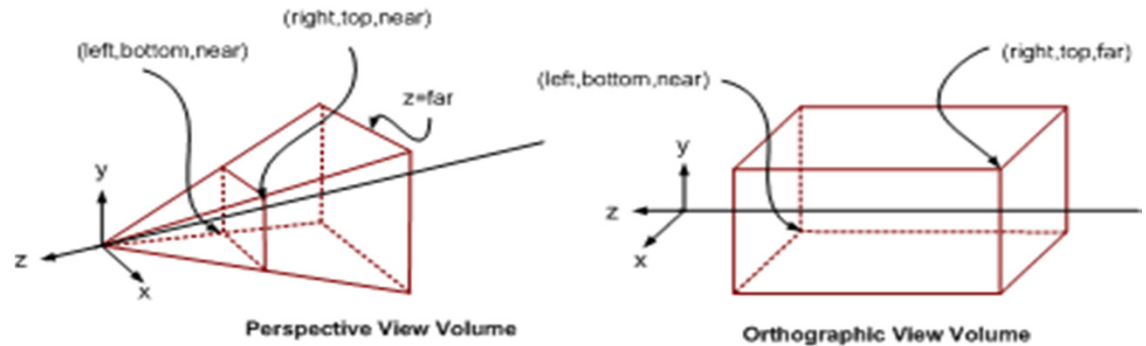


Canonical view volume

*Viewport transformation*

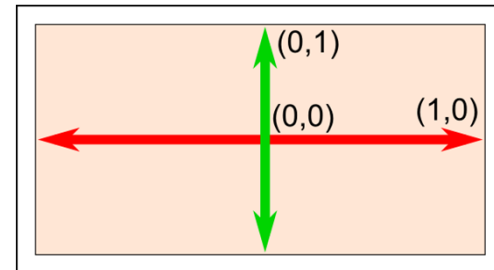
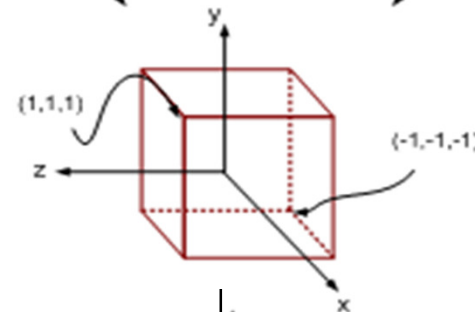


Image space  
(pixel coordinates)



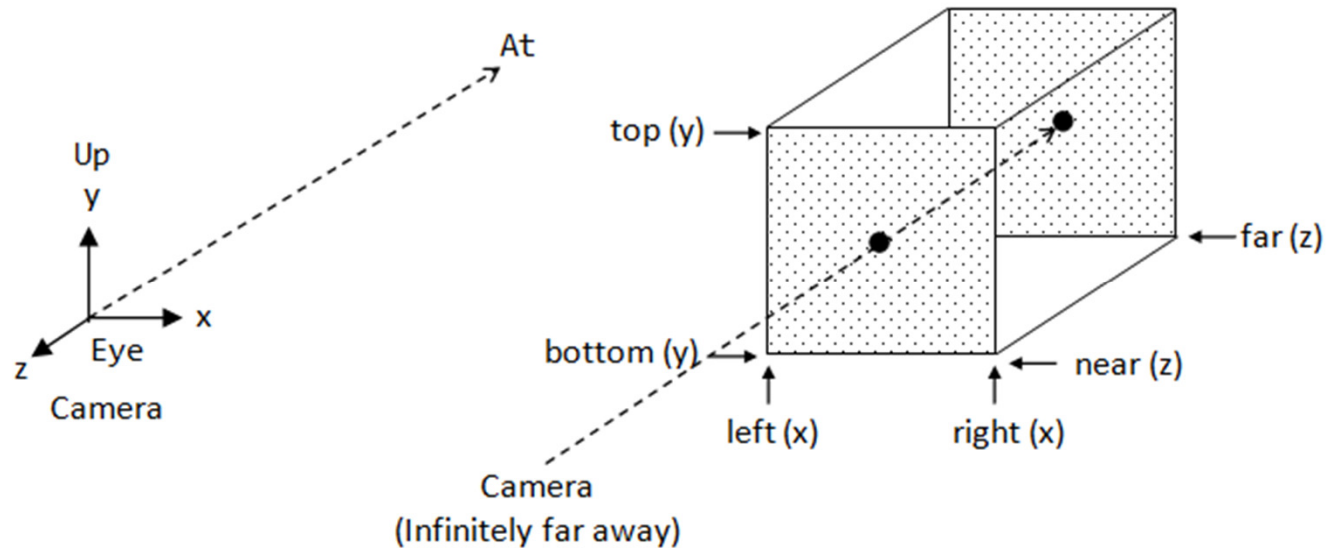
Perspective Projection

Orthographic Projection



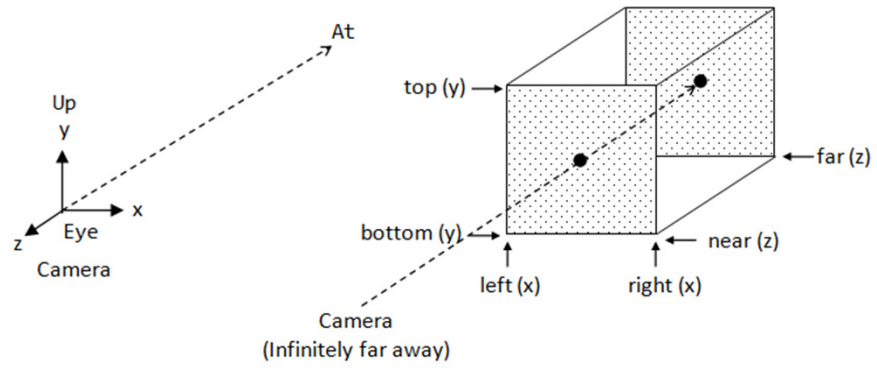


# Orthographic View Volume



- ▶ Specified by 6 parameters:
  - ▶ Right, left, top, bottom, near, far
- ▶ Or, if symmetrical:
  - ▶ Width, height, near, far

# Orthographic Projection Matrix



In OpenGL:  
glOrtho(left, right, bottom, top, near, far)

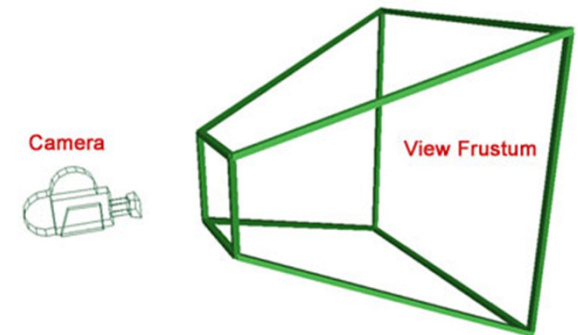
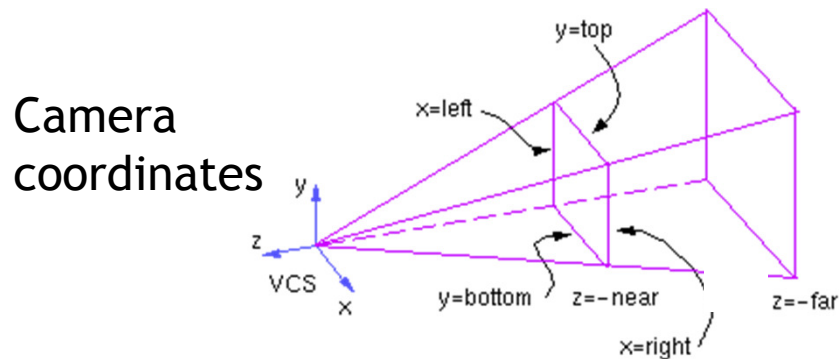
$$P_{ortho}(right, left, top, bottom, near, far) = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{2}{right - left} & 0 & 0 & -\frac{right + left}{right - left} \\ 0 & \frac{2}{top - bottom} & 0 & -\frac{top + bottom}{top - bottom} \\ 0 & 0 & \frac{2}{far - near} & \frac{far + near}{far - near} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

No equivalent in OpenGL

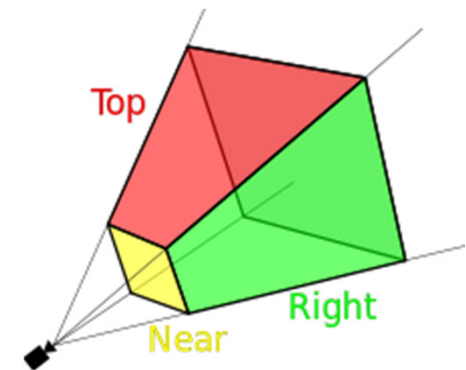
$$P_{ortho}(width, height, near, far) = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{2}{width} & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{2}{height} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \frac{2}{far - near} & \frac{far + near}{far - near} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

# Perspective View Volume

## General view volume



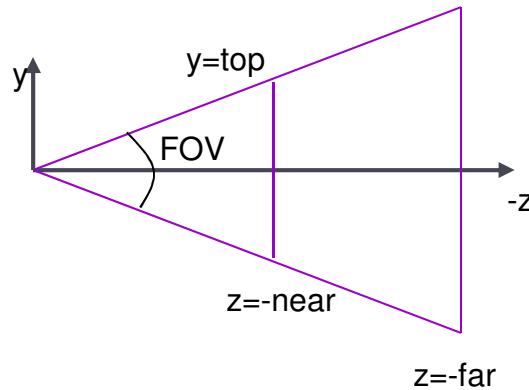
- ▶ Defined by 6 parameters, in camera coordinates
  - ▶ Left, right, top, bottom boundaries
  - ▶ Near, far clipping planes
- ▶ Clipping planes to avoid numerical problems
  - ▶ Divide by zero
  - ▶ Low precision for distant objects
- ▶ Usually symmetric, i.e.,  $\text{left} = -\text{right}$ ,  $\text{top} = -\text{bottom}$



# Perspective View Volume

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## Symmetrical view volume



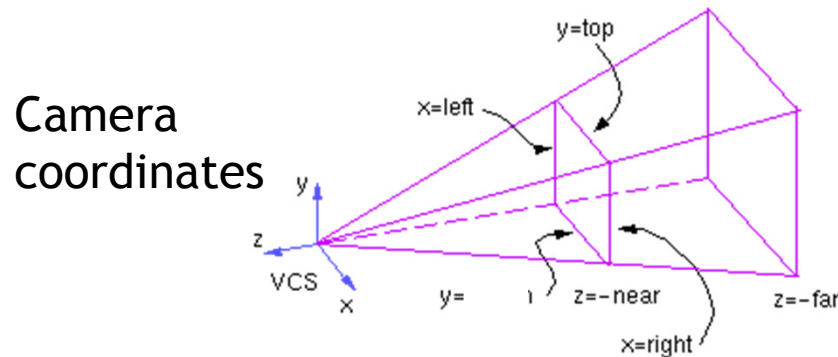
- ▶ Only 4 parameters
  - ▶ Vertical field of view (FOV)
  - ▶ Image aspect ratio (width/height)
  - ▶ Near, far clipping planes

$$\text{aspect ratio} = \frac{\text{right} - \text{left}}{\text{top} - \text{bottom}} = \frac{\text{right}}{\text{top}}$$

$$\tan(\text{FOV} / 2) = \frac{\text{top}}{\text{near}}$$

# Perspective Projection Matrix

- ▶ General view frustum with 6 parameters



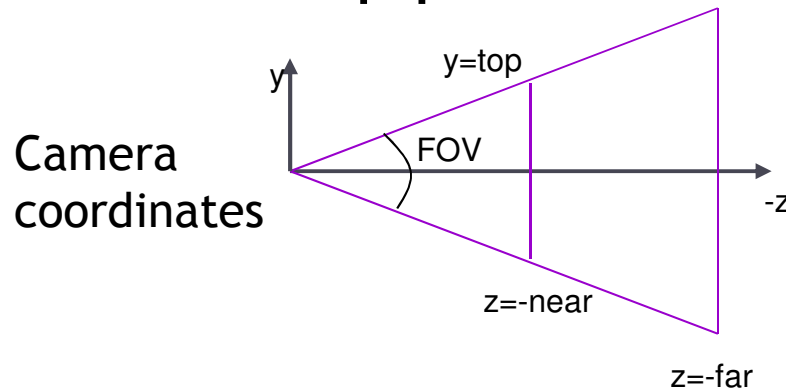
$$\mathbf{P}_{persp}(left, right, top, bottom, near, far) =$$

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

In OpenGL:  
glFrustum(left, right, bottom, top, near, far)

# Perspective Projection Matrix

- ▶ Symmetrical view frustum with field of view, aspect ratio, near and far clip planes



$$\mathbf{P}_{persp}(FOV, aspect, near, far) = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{aspect \cdot \tan(FOV / 2)} & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{1}{\tan(FOV / 2)} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \frac{near + far}{near - far} & \frac{2 \cdot near \cdot far}{near - far} \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

In OpenGL:

`gluPerspective(fov, aspect, near, far)`

# Canonical View Volume

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- ▶ **Goal: create projection matrix so that**
  - ▶ User defined view volume is transformed into canonical view volume: cube  $[-1,1] \times [-1,1] \times [-1,1]$
  - ▶ Multiplying corner vertices of view volume by projection matrix and performing homogeneous divide yields corners of canonical view volume
- ▶ Perspective and orthographic projection are treated the same way
- ▶ Canonical view volume is last stage in which coordinates are in 3D
  - ▶ Next step is projection to 2D frame buffer

# Viewport Transformation

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- ▶ After applying projection matrix, scene points are in *normalized viewing coordinates*
  - ▶ Per definition within range  $[-1..1] \times [-1..1] \times [-1..1]$
- ▶ Next is projection from 3D to 2D (not reversible)
- ▶ Normalized viewing coordinates can be mapped to image (=pixel=frame buffer) coordinates
  - ▶ Range depends on window (view port) size:  
 $[x_0...x_1] \times [y_0...y_1]$
- ▶ Scale and translation required:

$$\mathbf{D}(x_0, x_1, y_0, y_1) = \begin{bmatrix} (x_1 - x_0)/2 & 0 & 0 & (x_0 + x_1)/2 \\ 0 & (y_1 - y_0)/2 & 0 & (y_0 + y_1)/2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1/2 & 1/2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$



# Lecture Overview

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- ▶ View Volumes
- ▶ **Vertex Transformation**
- ▶ Rendering Pipeline
- ▶ Culling

# Complete Vertex Transformation

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- ▶ Mapping a 3D point in object coordinates to pixel coordinates:

$$\mathbf{p}' = \mathbf{DPC}^{-1}\mathbf{M}\mathbf{p}$$

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Object space

- ▶ **M**: Object-to-world matrix
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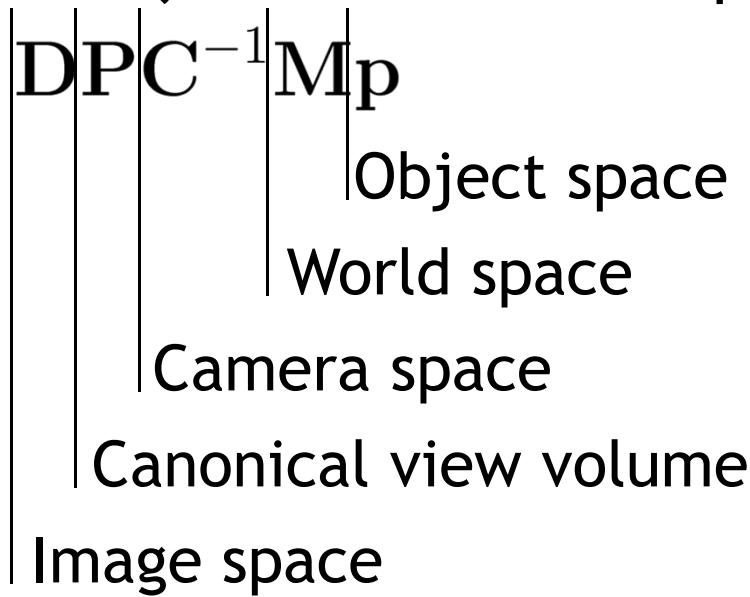
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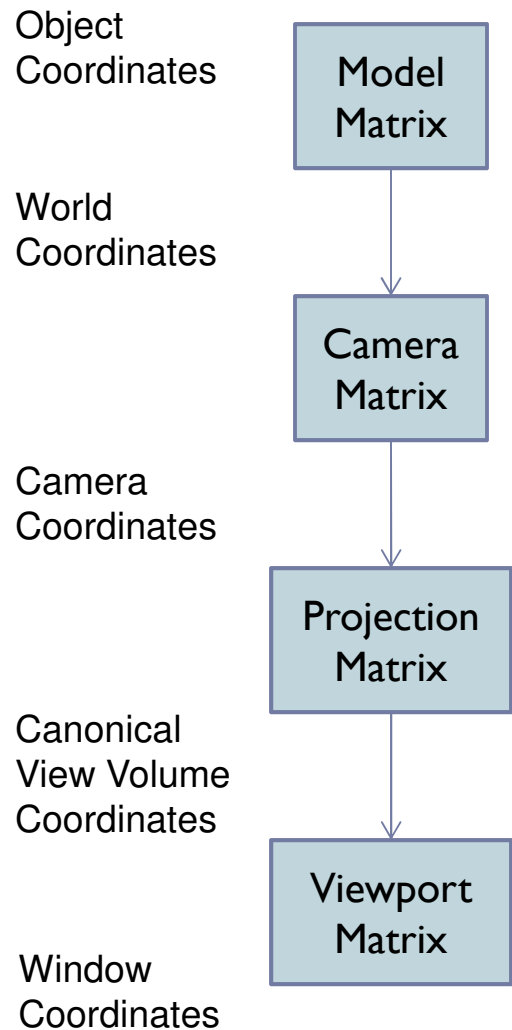
- ▶ Mapping a 3D point in object coordinates to pixel coordinates:

$$\mathbf{p}' = \mathbf{DPC}^{-1}\mathbf{Mp}$$
$$\mathbf{p}' = \begin{bmatrix} x' \\ y' \\ z' \\ w' \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{Pixel coordinates: } \begin{matrix} x'/w' \\ y'/w' \end{matrix}$$

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# The Complete Vertex Transformation

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# Complete Vertex Transformation in OpenGL

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- ▶ Mapping a 3D point in object coordinates to pixel coordinates:

OpenGL `GL_MODELVIEW` matrix

$$p' = \mathbf{D} \mathbf{P} \mathbf{C}^{-1} \mathbf{M} p$$

OpenGL `GL_PROJECTION` matrix

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# Complete Vertex Transformation in OpenGL

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## ▶ **GL\_MODELVIEW, $C^{-1}M$**

- ▶ Defined by the programmer.
- ▶ Think of the ModelView matrix as where you stand with the camera and the direction you point it.

## ▶ **GL\_PROJECTION, $P$**

- ▶ Utility routines to set it by specifying view volume: `glFrustum()`, `gluPerspective()`, `glOrtho()`
- ▶ Think of the projection matrix as describing the attributes of your camera, such as field of view, focal length, etc.

## ▶ **Viewport, $D$**

- ▶ Specify implicitly via `glViewport()`
- ▶ No direct access with equivalent to `GL_MODELVIEW` or `GL_PROJECTION`

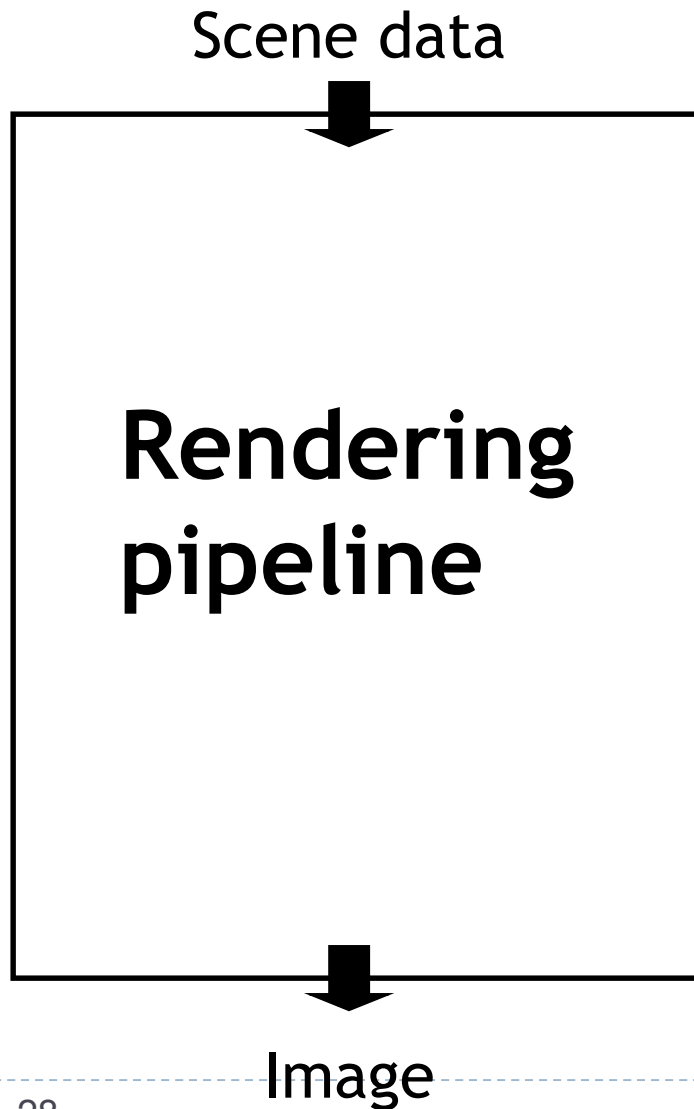
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- ▶ Vertex Transformation
- ▶ **Rendering Pipeline**
- ▶ Culling

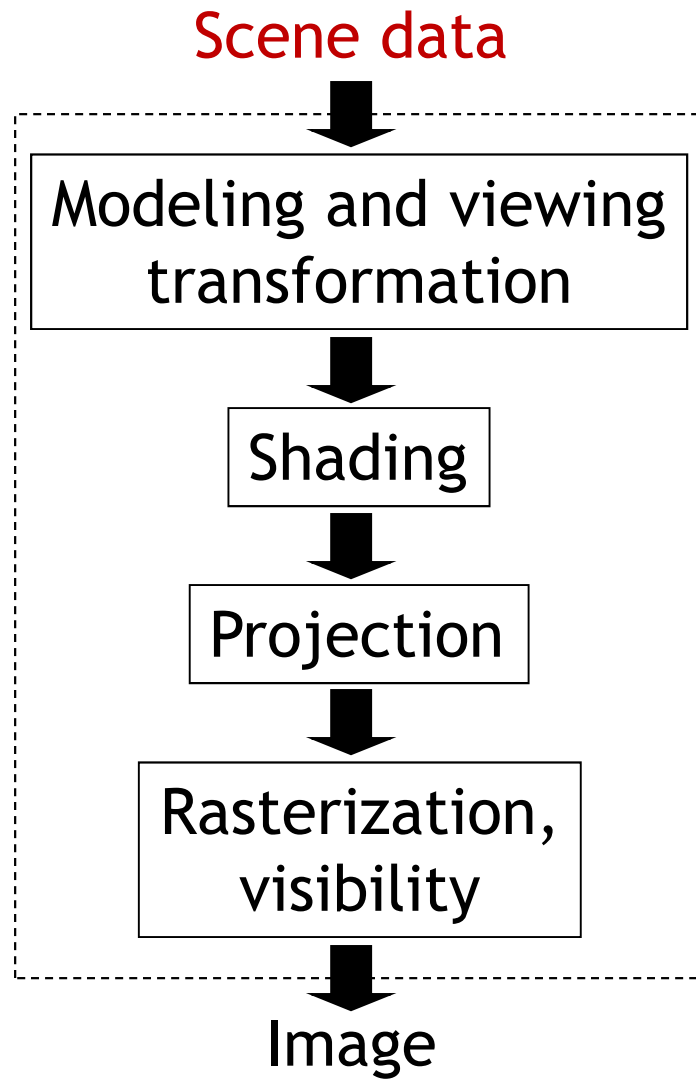
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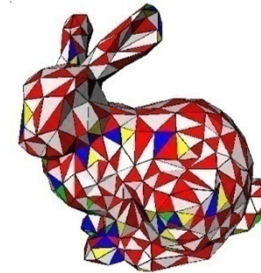


- ▶ Hardware and software which draws 3D scenes on the screen
- ▶ Consists of several stages
  - ▶ Simplified version here
- ▶ Most operations performed by specialized hardware (GPU)
- ▶ Access to hardware through low-level 3D API (OpenGL, DirectX)
- ▶ All scene data flows through the pipeline at least once for each frame

# Rendering Pipeline

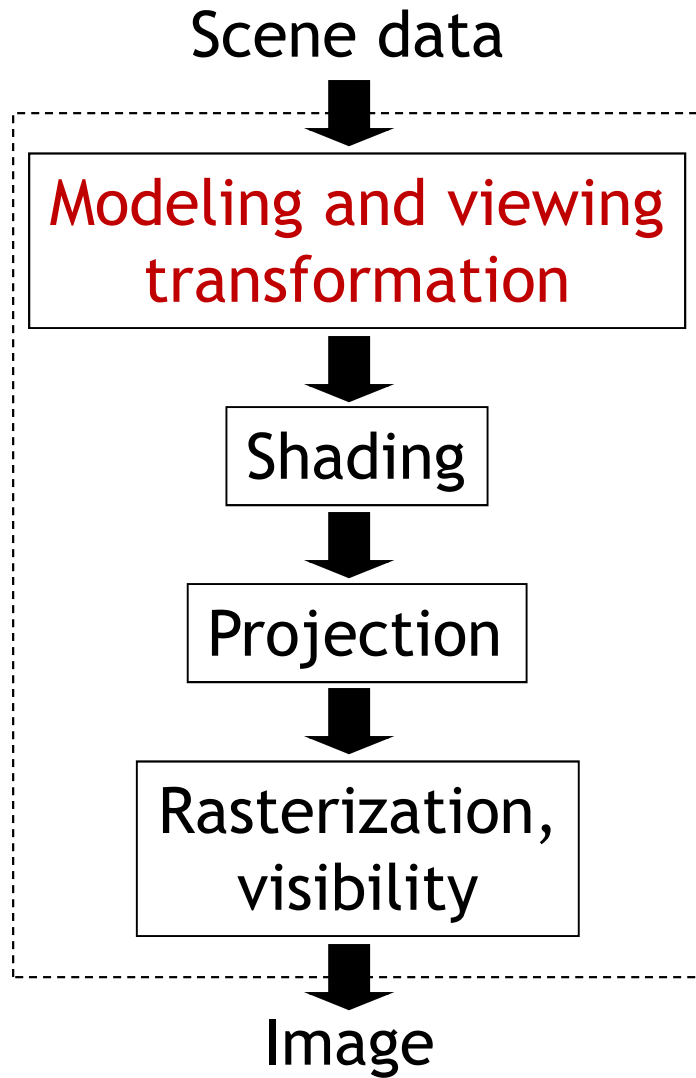


- ▶ Textures, lights, etc.
- ▶ Geometry
  - ▶ Vertices and how they are connected
  - ▶ Triangles, lines, points, triangle strips
  - ▶ Attributes such as color



- ▶ Specified in object coordinates
- ▶ Processed by the rendering pipeline one-by-one

# Rendering Pipeline



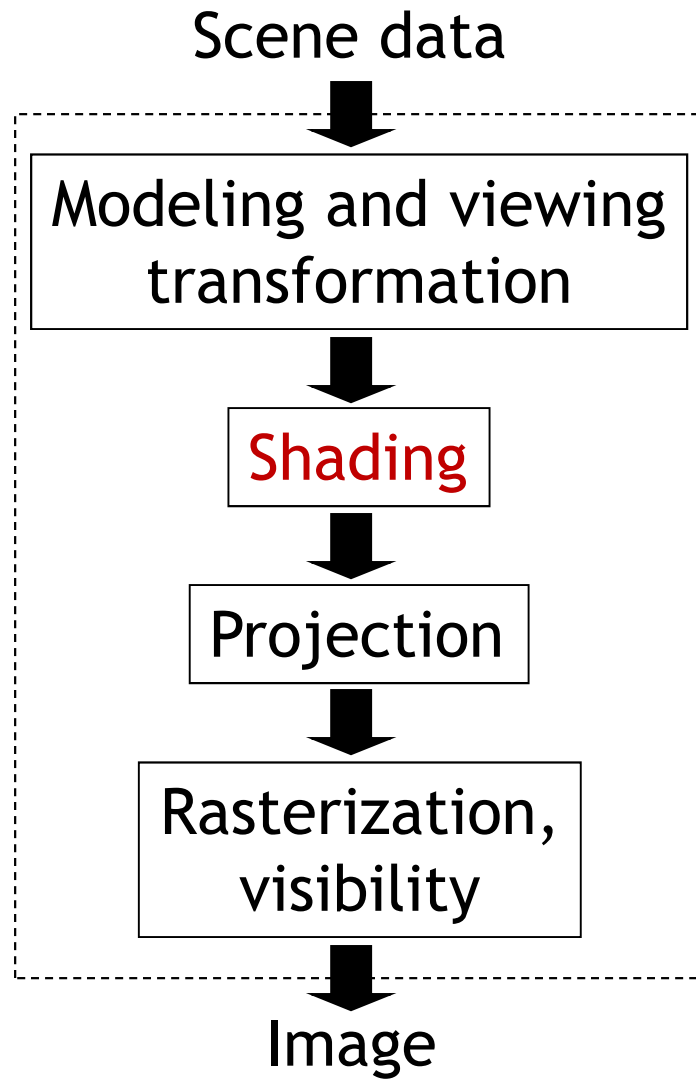
- ▶ Transform object to camera coordinates
- ▶ Specified by `GL_MODELVIEW` matrix in OpenGL
- ▶ User computes `GL_MODELVIEW` matrix as discussed

$$\mathbf{p}_{camera} = \mathbf{C}^{-1} \mathbf{M} \mathbf{p}_{object}$$

MODELVIEW matrix

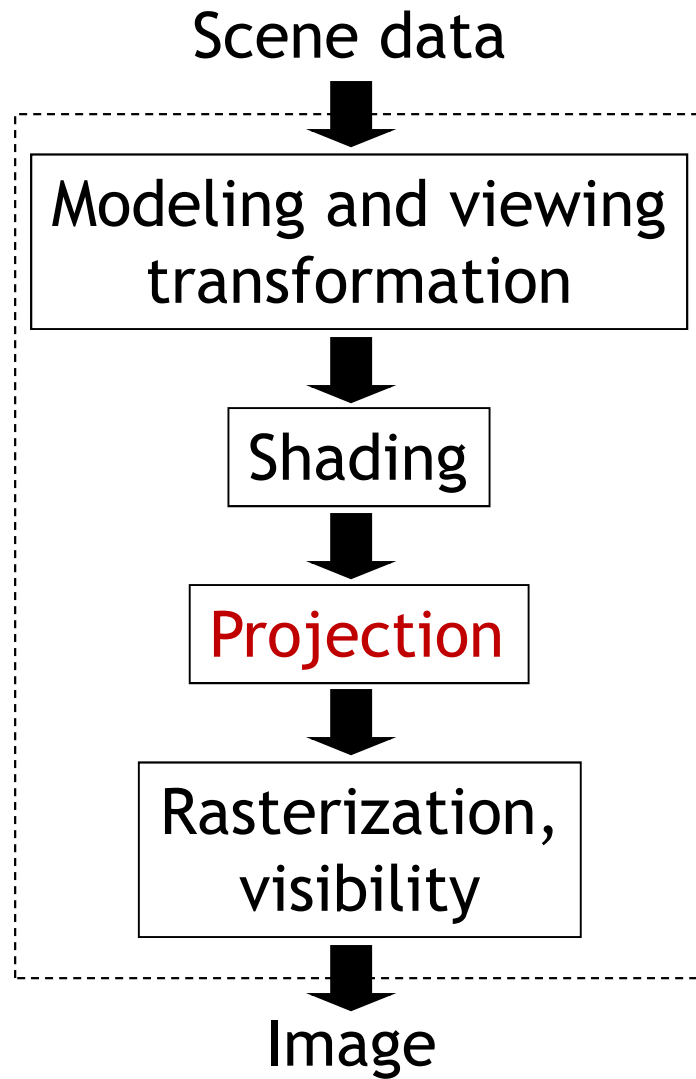
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- ▶ Look up light sources
- ▶ Compute color for each vertex

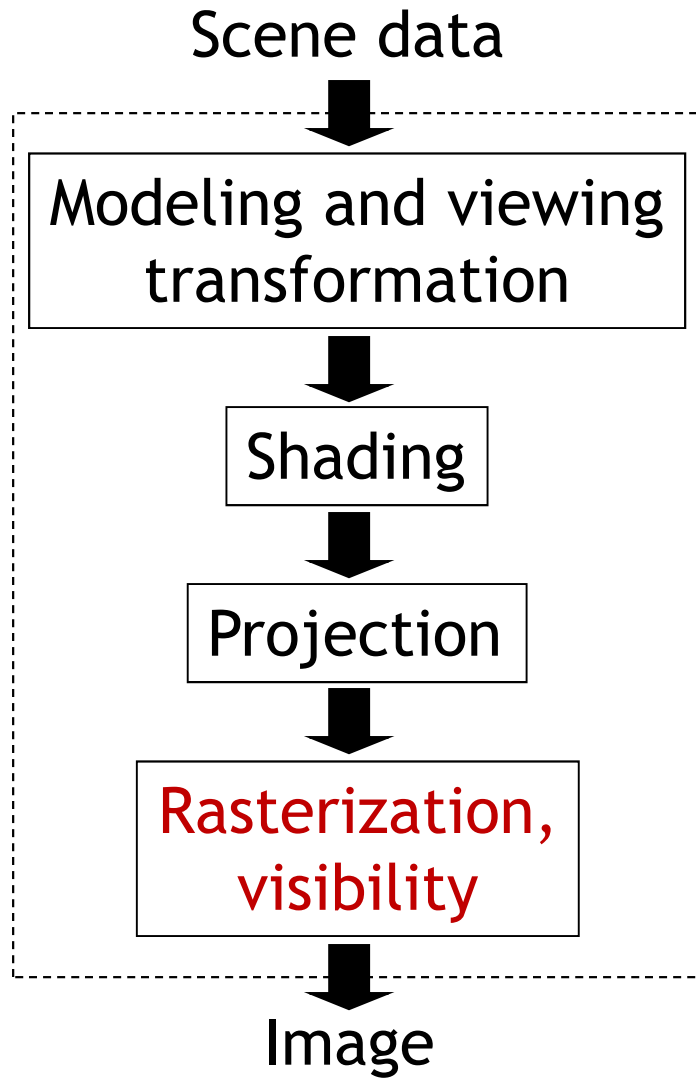
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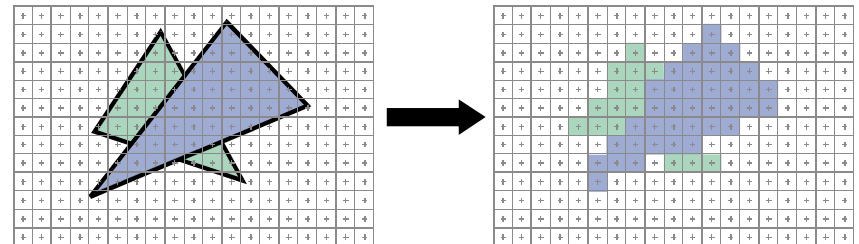
- ▶ Project 3D vertices to 2D image positions
- ▶ `GL_PROJECTION` matrix



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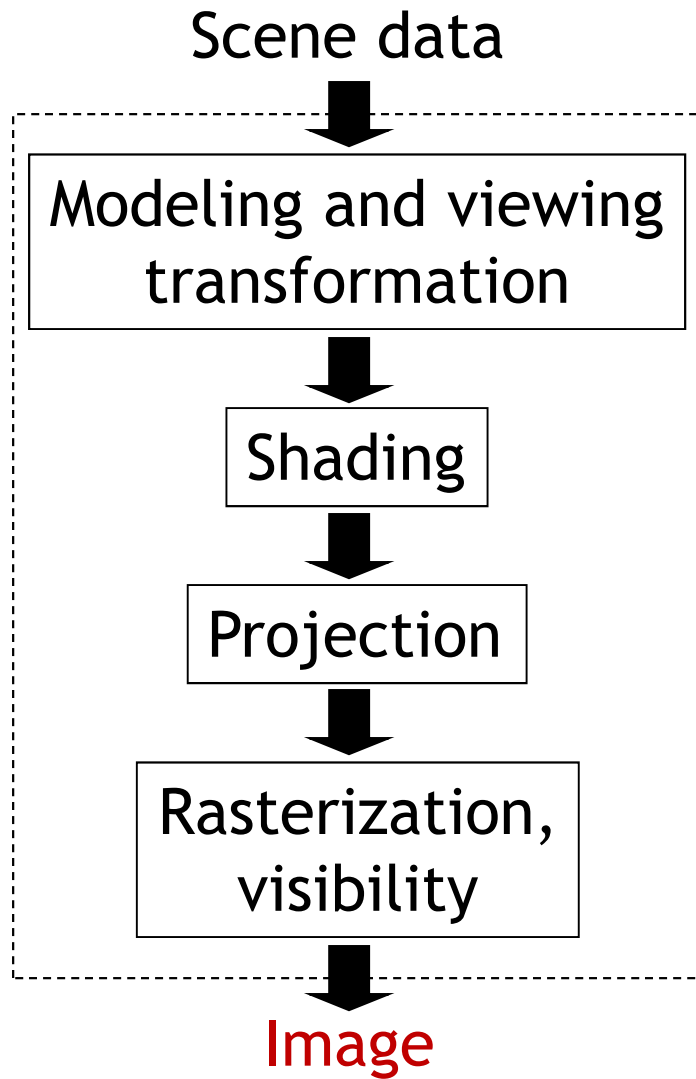


- ▶ Draw primitives (triangles, lines, etc.)
- ▶ Determine what is visible



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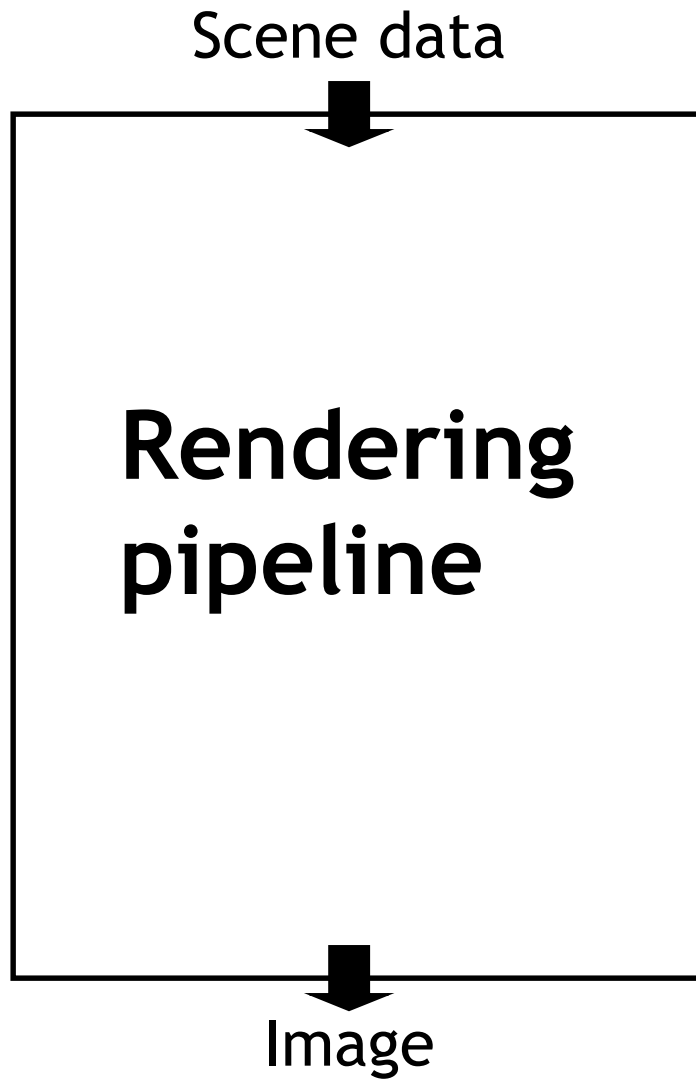
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▶ Pixel colors

# Rendering Engine

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## Rendering Engine:

- ▶ Additional software layer encapsulating low-level API
- ▶ Higher level functionality than OpenGL
- ▶ Platform independent
- ▶ Layered software architecture common in industry
  - ▶ Game engines
  - ▶ Graphics middleware

# Lecture Overview

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- ▶ View Volumes
- ▶ Vertex Transformation
- ▶ Rendering Pipeline
- ▶ **Culling**

# Culling

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- ▶ **Goal:**

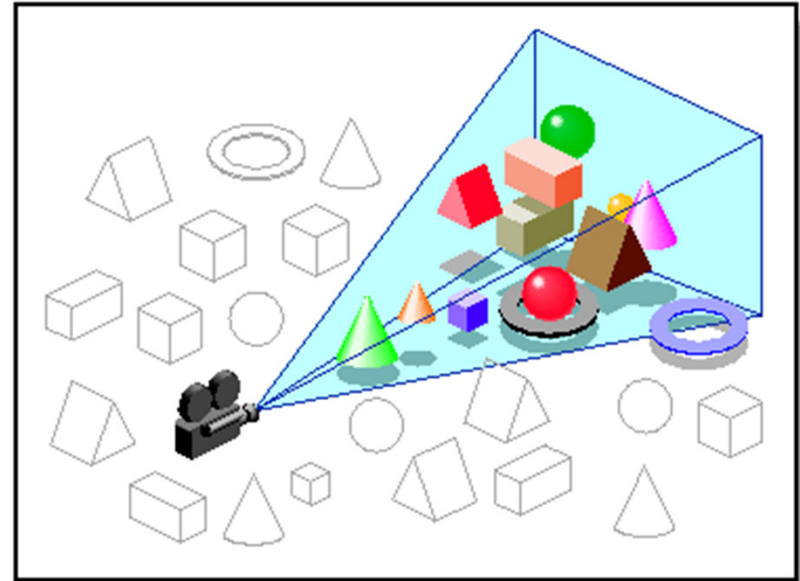
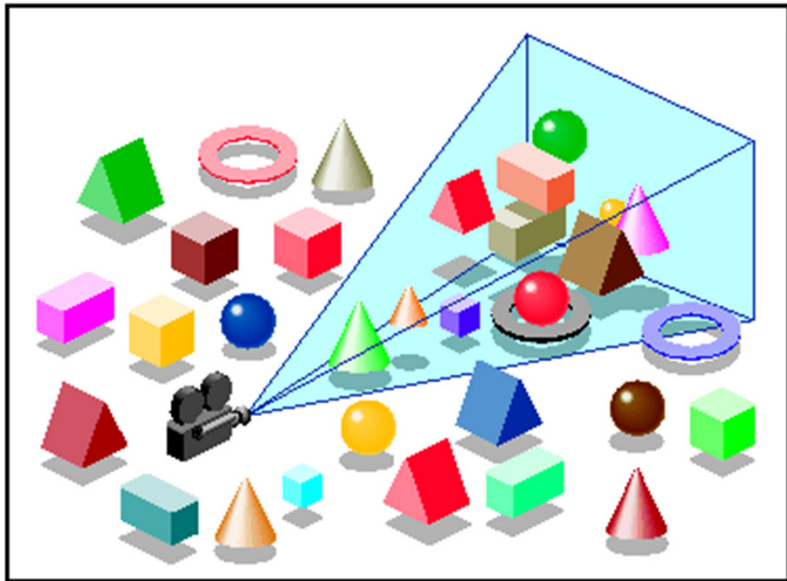
- Discard geometry that does not need to be drawn to speed up rendering

- ▶ **Types of culling:**

- ▶ View frustum culling
  - ▶ Occlusion culling
  - ▶ Small object culling
  - ▶ Backface culling
  - ▶ Degenerate culling

# View Frustum Culling

- ▶ Triangles outside of view frustum are off-screen
  - ▶ Done on canonical view volume



*Images: SGI OpenGL Optimizer Programmer's Guide*

# Videos

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- ▶ Rendering Optimizations - Frustum Culling
  - ▶ <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=kvVHp9wMAO8>
- ▶ View Frustum Culling Demo
  - ▶ <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bJrYTBGpwic>

# Bounding Box

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- ▶ How to cull objects consisting of many polygons?
- ▶ Cull bounding box
  - ▶ Rectangular box, parallel to object space coordinate planes
  - ▶ Box is smallest box containing the entire object

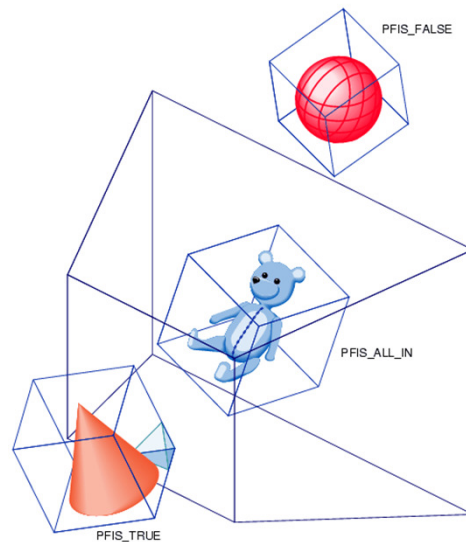
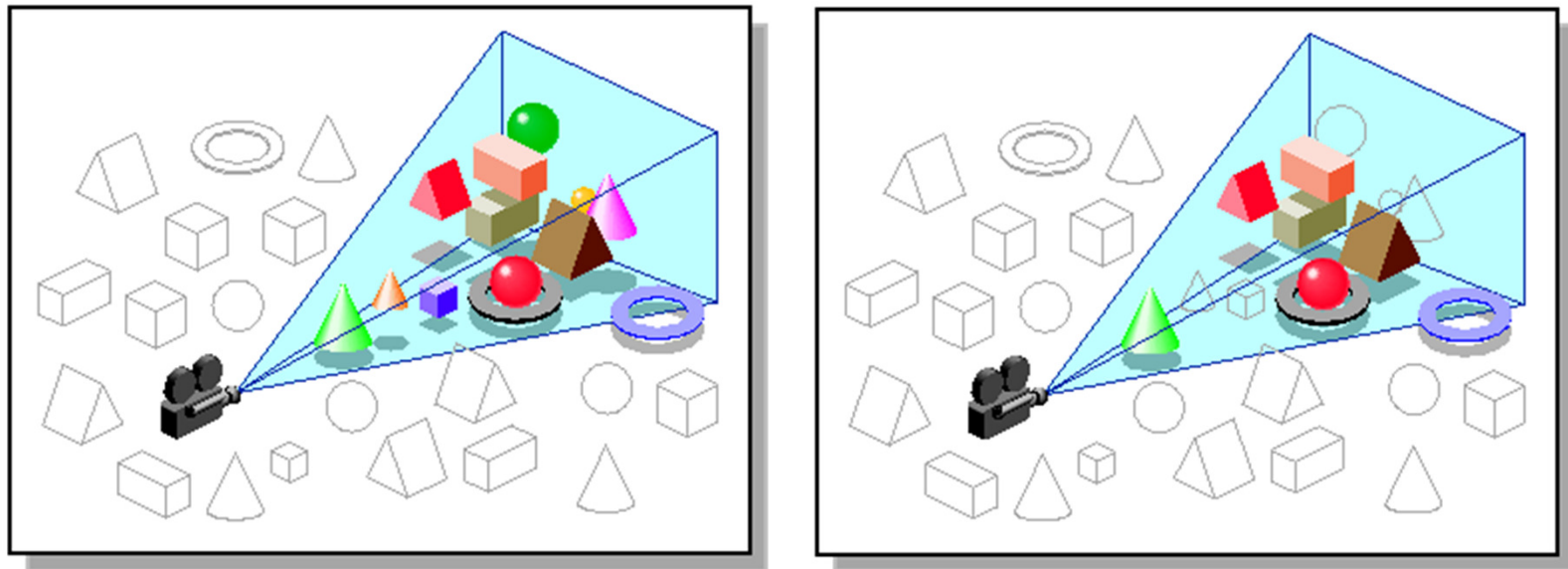


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# Occlusion Culling

- ▶ Geometry hidden behind occluder cannot be seen
  - ▶ Many complex algorithms exist to identify occluded geometry



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# Video

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- ▶ Umbra 3 Occlusion Culling explained
  - ▶ <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5h4QgDBwQhc>

# Small Object Culling

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- ▶ **Object projects to less than a specified size**
  - ▶ Cull objects whose screen-space bounding box is less than a threshold number of pixels

# Backface Culling

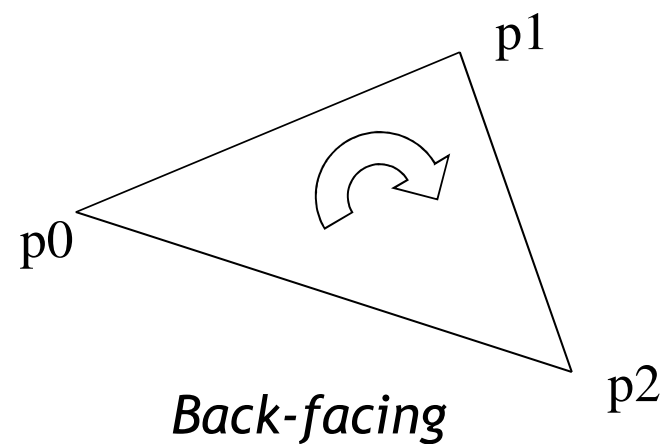
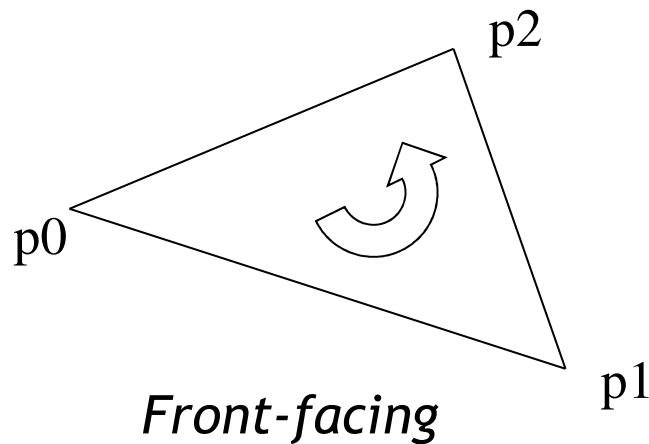
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- ▶ Consider triangles as “one-sided”, i.e., only visible from the “front”
- ▶ Closed objects
  - ▶ If the “back” of the triangle is facing the camera, it is not visible
  - ▶ Gain efficiency by not drawing it (culling)
  - ▶ Roughly 50% of triangles in a scene are back facing

# Backface Culling

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- ▶ **Convention:**  
Triangle is front facing if vertices are ordered counterclockwise



- ▶ **OpenGL allows one- or two-sided triangles**
  - ▶ One-sided triangles:  
`glEnable(GL_CULL_FACE); glCullFace(GL_BACK)`
  - ▶ Two-sided triangles (no backface culling):  
`glDisable(GL_CULL_FACE)`

# Backface Culling

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- ▶ Compute triangle normal after projection (homogeneous division)

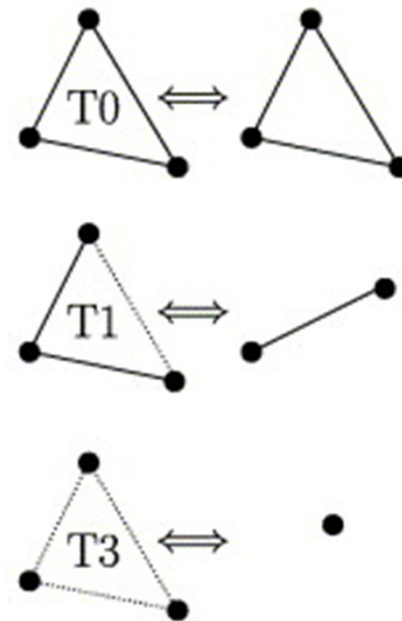
$$\mathbf{n} = (\mathbf{p}_1 - \mathbf{p}_0) \times (\mathbf{p}_2 - \mathbf{p}_0)$$

- ▶ Third component of  $\mathbf{n}$  negative: front-facing, otherwise back-facing
  - ▶ Remember: projection matrix is such that homogeneous division flips sign of third component

# Degenerate Culling

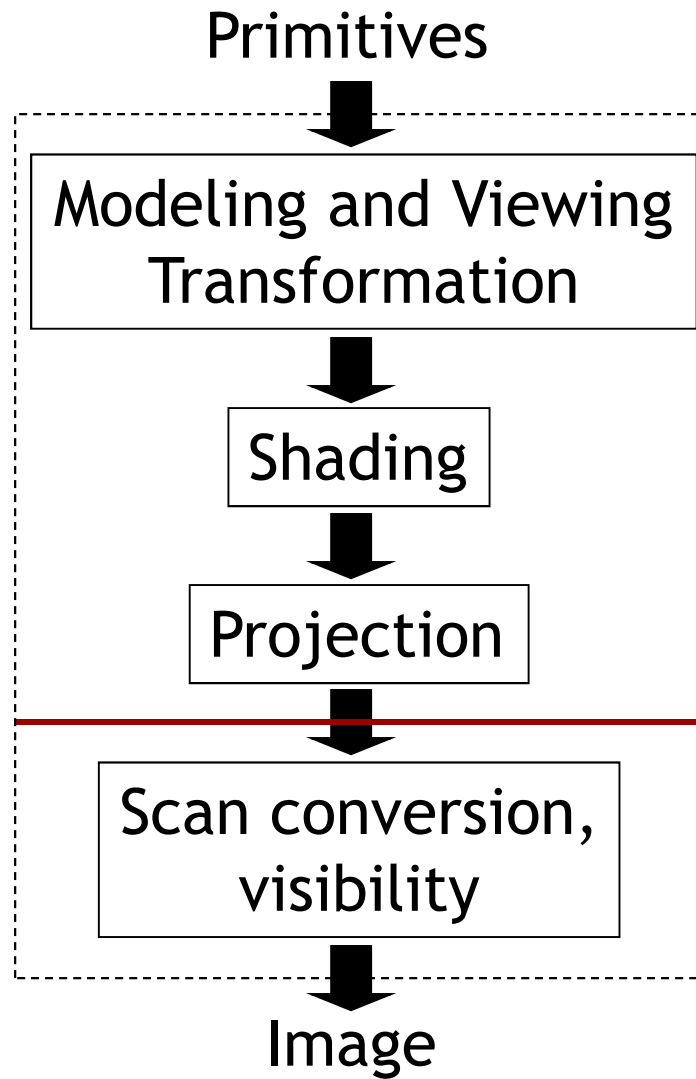
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- ▶ Degenerate triangle has no area
  - ▶ Vertices lie in a straight line
  - ▶ Vertices at the exact same place
  - ▶ Normal  $\mathbf{n}=0$



*Source: Computer Methods in Applied Mechanics and Engineering, Volume 194, Issues 48–49*

# Rendering Pipeline



## Culling, Clipping

- Discard geometry that will not be visible