## Computer Graphics

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## Viewing in 3D

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## 3D Viewing Process



## Classical Viewing

$\square$ 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
$\square$ 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
$\square$ Each object is assumed to constructed from flat principal faces

- Buildings, polyhedra, manufactured objects


## Classical Projections



Front elevation


Isometric


Elevation oblique


One-point perspective


Plan oblique


Three-point perspective

## 3D Synthetic Camera Model


$\square$ The synthetic camera model involves two components, specified independently:

- objects (a.k.a geometry)
- viewer (a.k.a camera)


## Imaging with the Synthetic Camera


$\square$ The image is rendered onto an image plane or project plane (usually in front of the camera).
$\square$ Projectors emanate from the center of projection (COP) at the center of the lens (or pinhole).
$\square$ The image of an object point $\boldsymbol{P}$ is at the intersection, of the projector through $\boldsymbol{P}$ and the image plane.

## Specifying a Viewer


$\square$ Camera specification requires four kinds of parameters:

- Position: the COP.
- Orientation: rotations about axes with origin at the COP.
- Focal length: determines the size of the image on the film plane, or the field of view.
- Film plane: its width and height, and possibly orientation.


## Projections

$\square$ Projections transform points in $n$-space to $m$-space, where $m<n$.
$\square \quad$ In 3D, we map points from 3-space to the projection plane (PP) along projectors emanating from the center of projection (COP).


- Parallel - distance from COP to PP infinite


## Perspective vs. Parallel Projections

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

## Perspective vs. Parallel Projections



## Taxonomy of Planar Geometric Projections



## Orthographic Projection

## Projectors are orthogonal to projection surface



## Multiview Orthographic Projection

$\square$ Projection plane parallel to principal face
$\square$ Usually form front, top, side views isometric (not multiview orthographic view)

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


## Advantages and Disadvantages

$\square$ Preserves both distances and angles

- Shapes preserved
- Can be used for measurements
$\square$ Building plans
$\square$ Manuals
$\square$ Cannot see what object really looks like because many surfaces hidden from view
- Often we add the isometric


## 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


## Types of Axonometric Projections



## Advantages and Disadvantages

$\square$ Lines are scaled (foreshortened) but can find scaling factors
$\square$ Lines preserved but angles are not - Projection of a circle in a plane not parallel to the projection plane is an ellipse
$\square$ Can see three principal faces of a box-like object
$\square$ Some optical illusions possible

- Parallel lines appear to diverge
$\square$ Does not look real because far objects are scaled the same as near objects
$\square$ Used in CAD applications


## Oblique Projection

Arbitrary relationship between projectors and projection plane


## Advantages and Disadvantages

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

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

## Truncated View Volume for an Orthographic Parallel Projection



## The Mathematics of Orthographic Parallel Projection



## Perspective Projection

## Projectors converge at center of projection



## Truncated View Volume for an Perspective Projection



## Perspective Projection (Pinhole Camera)



View along $y$ axis
View along $x$ axis


$$
\begin{aligned}
& \frac{x_{p}}{d}=\frac{x}{z} ; \frac{y_{p}}{d}=\frac{y}{z} \\
& x_{p}=\frac{x}{z / d} ; y_{p}=\frac{y}{z / d} \\
& M_{p e r}=\left[\begin{array}{llll}
1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\
0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\
0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\
0 & 0 & 1 / d & 0
\end{array}\right]
\end{aligned}
$$

## Perspective Division

$$
\left[\begin{array}{c}
x_{p} \\
y_{p} \\
z_{p} \\
1
\end{array}\right]=\left[\begin{array}{c}
X \\
Y \\
Z \\
W
\end{array}\right]=M_{p e r} \bullet P=\left[\begin{array}{cccc}
1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\
0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\
0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\
0 & 0 & 1 / d & 0
\end{array}\right] \bullet\left[\begin{array}{c}
x \\
y \\
z \\
1
\end{array}\right]=\left[\begin{array}{c}
x \\
y \\
z \\
\frac{z}{d}
\end{array}\right]
$$

However $W \neq 1$, so we must divide by $W$ to return from homogeneous coordinates

$$
\left(x_{p}, y_{p}, z_{p}\right)=\left(\frac{X}{W}, \frac{Y}{W}, \frac{Z}{W}\right)=\left(\frac{x}{z / d}, \frac{y}{z / d}, d\right)
$$

## Vanishing Points

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

## Three-Point Perspective

$\square$ No principal face parallel to projection plane
$\square$ Three vanishing points for cube


## Two-Point Perspective

$\square$ On principal direction parallel to projection plane
$\square$ Two vanishing points for cube


## One-Point Perspective

$\square$ One principal face parallel to projection plane
$\square$ One vanishing point for cube


## Canonical View Volume for Orthographic Parallel Projection


$\square x=-1, y=-1, z=0$
$\square x=1, y=1, z=-1$

## Clipping Lines


$x=x_{0}+t\left(x_{1}-x_{0}\right)$
$y=y_{0}+t\left(y_{1}-y_{0}\right)$

## The Cohen-Sutherland Line-Clipping Algorithm



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## Clipping Polygons



## The Sutherland-Hodgman Polygon-Clipping Algorithm

Clip rectangle


## The Sutherland-Hodgman Polygon-Clipping Algorithm



## The Extension of the Cohen-Sutherland Algorithm

$\square$ bit 1 - point is above view volume $\quad y>1$
$\square$ bit 2 - point is below view volume
$\square$ bit 3 - point is right of view volume
$\square$ bit 4 - point is left of view volume $\quad x<-1$
$\square$ bit 5 - point is behind view volume $\quad z<-1$
$\square$ bit 6 - point is in front of view volume $z>0$

## Intersection of a 3D Line

$\square$ a line from $P_{0}\left(x_{0}, y_{0}, z_{0}\right)$ to $P_{1}\left(x_{1}, y_{1}, z_{1}\right)$ can be represented as $x=x_{0}+t\left(x_{1}-x_{0}\right)$

$$
\begin{aligned}
& y=y_{0}+t\left(y_{1}-y_{0}\right) \\
& z=z_{0}+t\left(z_{1}-z_{0}\right) \quad 0 \leq t \leq 1
\end{aligned}
$$

$\square$ so when $\mathrm{y}=1$

$$
\begin{aligned}
& x=x_{0}+\frac{\left(1-y_{0}\right)\left(x_{1}-x_{0}\right)}{y_{1}-y_{0}} \\
& z=z_{0}+\frac{\left(1-y_{0}\right)\left(z_{1}-z_{0}\right)}{y_{1}-y_{0}}
\end{aligned}
$$

## Canonical View Volume for Perspective Projection


$\square x=z, y=z, z=-z_{\text {min }}$
$\square x=-z, y=-z, z=-1$

## The Extension of the Cohen-Sutherland Algorithm

$\square$ bit 1 - point is above view volume $\quad y>-z$
$\square$ bit 2 - point is below view volume $\quad y<z$
$\square$ bit 3 - point is right of view volume $\quad x>-z$
$\square$ bit 4 - point is left of view volume $\quad x<z$
$\square$ bit 5 - point is behind view volume $\quad z<-1$
$\square$ bit 6 - point is in front of view volume $z>z_{\text {min }}$

## Intersection of a 3D Line

$\square$ so when $y=z$

$$
\begin{aligned}
& x=x_{0}+\frac{\left(x_{1}-x_{0}\right)\left(z_{0}-y_{0}\right)}{\left(y_{1}-y_{0}\right)-\left(z_{1}-z_{0}\right)} \\
& y=y_{0}+\frac{\left(y_{1}-y_{0}\right)\left(z_{0}-y_{0}\right)}{\left(y_{1}-y_{0}\right)-\left(z_{1}-z_{0}\right)} \\
& z=y
\end{aligned}
$$

## Clipping in <br> Homogeneous Coordinates

$\square$ Why clip in homogeneous coordinates ?

- it is possible to transform the perspective-projection canonical view volume into the parallel-projection canonical view volume

$$
M=\left[\begin{array}{cccc}
1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\
0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\
0 & 0 & \frac{1}{1+z_{\min }} & \frac{-z_{\min }}{1+z_{\min }} \\
0 & 0 & -1 & 0
\end{array}\right], z_{\min } \neq-1
$$

## Clipping in Homogeneous Coordinates

$\square$ The corresponding plane equations are

- $X=-W$
- $X=W$
- $Y=-W$
- $Y=W$
- $Z=-W$
- $Z=0$

