

Last Time

- Transformations
- Homogeneous coordinates
- Directions
- Rotation
- Geometry 101 Points, edges, triangles/polygons
- Homework 3 due Oct 12 in class



Today

- Viewing Transformations
- Describing Cameras and Views



Graphics Pipeline

- Graphics hardware employs a sequence of coordinate systems
 - The location of the geometry is expressed in each coordinate system in turn, and modified along the way
 - The movement of geometry through these spaces is considered a pipeline





Local Coordinate Space

- It is easiest to define individual objects in a local coordinate system
 - For instance, a cube is easiest to define with faces parallel to the coordinate axes
- Key idea: Object instantiation
 - Define an object in a local coordinate system
 - Use it multiple times by copying it and transforming it into the global system
 - This is the only effective way to have libraries of 3D objects



World Coordinate System

- *Everything* in the world is transformed into one coordinate system the *world coordinate system*
 - It has an origin, and three coordinate directions, x, y, and z
- Lighting is defined in this space
 - The locations, brightness' and types of lights
- The camera is defined with respect to this space
- Some higher level operations, such as advanced visibility computations, can be done here



View Space

- Define a coordinate system based on the *eye* and *image plane* the *camera*
 - The *eye* is the center of projection, like the aperture in a camera
 - The *image plane* is the orientation of the plane on which the image should "appear," like the film plane of a camera
- Some camera parameters are easiest to define in this space
 - Focal length, image size
- Relative depth is captured by a single number in this space
 - The "normal to image plane" coordinate



Canonical View Volume

- Canonical View Space: A cube, with the origin at the center, the viewer looking down –z, x to the right, and y up
 - Canonical View Volume is the cube: [-1,1]×[-1,1]×[-1,1]
 - Variants (later) with viewer looking down +z and z from 0-1
 - Only things that end up inside the canonical volume can appear in the window
- Tasks: Parallel sides and unit dimensions make many operations easier
 - Clipping decide what is in the window
 - Rasterization decide which pixels are covered
 - Hidden surface removal decide what is in front
 - Shading decide what color things are



Window Space

- Window Space: Origin in one corner of the "window" on the screen, x and y match screen x and y
- Windows appear somewhere on the screen
 - Typically you want the thing you are drawing to appear in your window
 - But you may have no control over where the window appears
- You want to be able to work in a standard coordinate system
 your code should not depend on *where* the window is
- You target Window Space, and the windowing system takes care of putting it on the screen



- Problem: Transform the Canonical View Volume into Window Space (real screen coordinates)
 - Drop the depth coordinate and translate
 - The graphics hardware and windowing system typically take care of this – but we'll do the math to get you warmed up
- The windowing system adds one final transformation to get your window on the screen in the right place



- Typically, windows are specified by a corner, width and height
 - Corner expressed in terms of screen location
 - This representation can be converted to (x_{min}, y_{min}) and (x_{max}, y_{max})
- We want to map points in Canonical View Space into the window
 - Canonical View Space goes from (-1,-1,-1) to (1,1,1)
 - Lets say we want to leave *z* unchanged
- What basic transformations will be involved in the total transformation from 3D screen to window coordinates?









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Canonical → Window Transform

- You almost never have to worry about the canonical to window transform
- In OpenGL, you tell it which part of **your window** to draw in relative to the window's coordinates
 - That is, you tell it where to put the canonical view volume
 - You must do this whenever the window changes size
 - Window (not the screen) has **origin at bottom left**
 - glViewport(minx, miny, maxx, maxy)
 - Typically: glViewport(0, 0, width, height) fills the entire window with the image
 - Why might you *not* fill the entire window?
- The textbook derives a different transform, but the same idea



View Volumes

- Only stuff inside the Canonical View Volume gets drawn
 - The window is of finite size, and we can only store a finite number of pixels
 - We can only store a discrete, finite range of depths
 - Like color, only have a fixed number of bits at each pixel
 - Points too close or too far away will not be drawn
 - But, it is inconvenient to model the world as a unit box
- A view volume is the region of space we wish to *transform into* the Canonical View Volume for drawing
 - Only stuff inside the view volume gets drawn
 - Describing the view volume is a major part of defining the view



Orthographic Projection



- Orthographic projection projects all the points in the world along parallel lines onto the image plane
 - Projection lines are perpendicular to the image plane
 - Like a camera with infinite focal length
 - The result is that *parallel lines in the world project to parallel lines in the image*, and *ratios of lengths are preserved*
 - This is important in some applications, like medical imaging and some computer aided design tasks



Orthographic View Space

- View Space: a coordinate system with the viewer looking in the -z direction, with x horizontal to the right and y up
 - A right-handed coordinate system! All ours will be
- The view volume is a *rectilinear box* for orthographic projection
- The view volume has:
 - a near plane at z=n- a far plane at z=f, (f < n)- a left plane at x=l- a right plane at x=r, (r>l)- a top plane at y=t y z x (l,t,f) (r,b,n)
 - and a *bottom plane* at y=b, (b < t)



Rendering the Volume

- To find out where points end up on the screen, we must transform View Space into Canonical View Space
 - We know how to draw Canonical View Space on the screen
- This transformation is "projection"
- The mapping looks similar to the one for Canonical to Window ...



Orthographic Projection Matrix

(Orthographic View to Canonical Matrix)

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_{canonical} \\ y_{canonical} \\ z_{canonical} \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2/(r-l) & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2/(t-b) & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2/(n-f) & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & -(r+l)/2 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & -(t+b)/2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -(n+f)/2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$
$$= \begin{bmatrix} 2/(r-l) & 0 & 0 & -(r+l)/(r-l) \\ 0 & 2/(t-b) & 0 & -(t+b)/(t-b) \\ 0 & 0 & 2/(n-f) & -(n+f)/(n-f) \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_{view} \\ y_{view} \\ z_{view} \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$
$$\mathbf{x}_{canonical} = \mathbf{M}_{view->canonical} \mathbf{x}_{view}$$

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Defining Cameras

- View Space is the *camera's* local coordinates
 - The camera is in some location
 - The camera is looking in some direction
 - It is tilted in some orientation
- It is inconvenient to model everything in terms of View Space
 - Biggest problem is that the camera might be moving we don't want to have to explicitly move every object too
- We specify the camera, and hence View Space, with respect to World Space
 - How can we specify the camera?



Specifying a View

- The **location** of View Space with respect to World Space
 - A point in World Space for the origin of View Space, (e_x, e_y, e_z)
- The **direction** in which we are looking: gaze direction
 - Specified as a vector: (g_x, g_y, g_z)
 - This vector will be normal to the image plane
- A direction that we want to *appear up* in the image
 - (up_x, up_y, up_z) , this vector does not have to be perpendicular to **g**
- We also need the size of the view volume -l,r,t,b,n,f
 - Specified with respect to the eye and image plane, not the world



General Orthographic



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Getting there...

- We wish to end up in View Space, so we need a coordinate system with:
 - A vector toward the viewer, View Space z
 - A vector pointing right in the image plane, View Space *x*
 - A vector pointing up in the image plane, View Space *y*
 - The origin at the eye, View Space (0,0,0)
- We must:
 - Say what each of these vectors are in **World Space**
 - Transform points from the World Space into View Space
 - We can then apply the orthographic projection to get to Canonical View Space, and so on



View Space in World Space

- Given our camera definition, in World Space:
 - Where is the origin of view space? It will transform into $(0,0,0)_{view}$
 - What is the normal to the view plane, w? It will become z_{view}
 - How do we find the right vector, u? It will become x_{view}
 - How do we find the up vector, v? It will become y_{view}
- Given these points, how do we do the transformation?



View Space

- The origin is at the eye: (e_x, e_y, e_z)
- The normal vector is the normalized viewing direction: $\mathbf{w} = -\hat{\mathbf{g}}$
- We know which way up should be, and we know we have a right handed system, so $u=up \times w$, normalized: $\hat{\mathbf{u}}$
- We have two vectors in a right handed system, so to get the third: $v=w \times u$



World to View

- We must translate so the origin is at (e_x, e_y, e_z)
- To complete the transformation we need to do a rotation
- After this rotation:
 - The direction *u* in world space should be the direction (1,0,0) in view space
 - The vector v should be (0,1,0)
 - The vector w should be (0,0,1)
- The matrix that does the rotation is:
 - It's a "change of basis" matrix

$$\begin{bmatrix} u_{x} & u_{y} & u_{z} & 0 \\ v_{x} & v_{y} & v_{z} & 0 \\ w_{x} & w_{y} & w_{z} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$



All Together

• We apply a translation and then a rotation, so the result is:

$$\mathbf{M}_{world \rightarrow view} = \begin{bmatrix} u_x & u_y & u_z & 0 \\ v_x & v_y & v_z & 0 \\ w_x & w_y & w_z & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & -e_x \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & -e_y \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -e_z \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} u_x & u_y & u_z & -\mathbf{w} \bullet \mathbf{e} \\ v_x & v_y & v_z & -\mathbf{w} \bullet \mathbf{e} \\ w_x & w_y & w_z & -\mathbf{w} \bullet \mathbf{e} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

• And to go all the way from world to screen:

$$\mathbf{M}_{world \rightarrow canonical} = \mathbf{M}_{view \rightarrow canonical} \mathbf{M}_{world \rightarrow view}$$
$$\mathbf{x}_{canonical} = \mathbf{M}_{world \rightarrow canonical} \mathbf{x}_{world}$$



OpenGL and Transformations

- OpenGL internally stores two matrices that control viewing of the scene
 - The GL_MODELVIEW matrix is intended to capture all the transformations up to view space
 - The GL_PROJECTION matrix captures the view to canonical conversion
- You also specify the mapping from the canonical view volume into window space
 - Directly through a glViewport function call
- Matrix calls, such as glRotate, multiply some matrix M onto the current matrix C, resulting in CM
 - Set view transformation first, then set transformations from local to world space last one set is first one applied
 - This is the convenient way for modeling, as we will see



OpenGL Camera

- The **default** OpenGL image plane has u aligned with the x axis, v aligned with y, and n aligned with z
 - Means the default camera looks along the negative z axis
 - Makes it easy to do 2D drawing (no need for any view transformation)
- glOrtho(...) sets the view->canonical matrix
 - Modifies the GL_PROJECTION matrix
- gluLookAt (...) sets the world->view matrix
 - Takes an image center point, a point along the viewing direction and an up vector
 - Multiplies a world->view matrix onto the current GL_MODELVIEW matrix
 - You could do this yourself, using glMultMatrix (...) with the matrix from the previous slides



Typical Usage

- glMatrixMode(GL_PROJECTION); glLoadIdentity(); glOrtho(l, r, b, t, n, f); glMatrixMode(GL_MODELVIEW); glLoadIdentity(); gluLookAt(ex,ey,ez,cx,cy,cx,ux,uy,uz);
- GLU functions, such as gluLookAt (...), are not part of the core OpenGL library
 - They can be implemented with other core OpenGL commands
 - For example, gluLookAt(...) uses glMultMatrix(...) with the matrix from the previous slides
 - They are not dependent on a particular graphics card



Left vs Right Handed View Space

- You can define **u** as right, **v** as up, and **n** as toward the viewer: a right handed system $u \times v = w$
 - Advantage: Standard mathematical way of doing things
- You can also define **u** as right, **v** as up and **n** as into the scene: a left handed system $v \times u = w$
 - Advantage: Bigger *n* values mean points are further away
- OpenGL is right handed
- Many older systems, notably the Renderman standard developed by Pixar, are left handed