3D Polygon Rendering Pipeline

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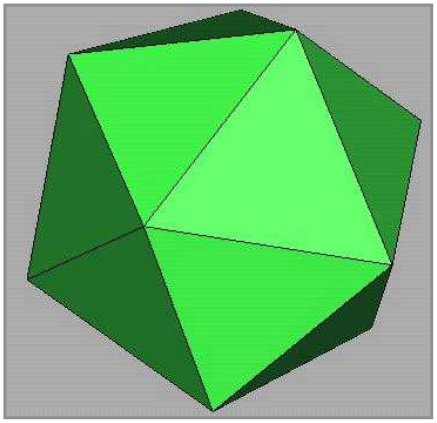

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Quake II
(Id Software)

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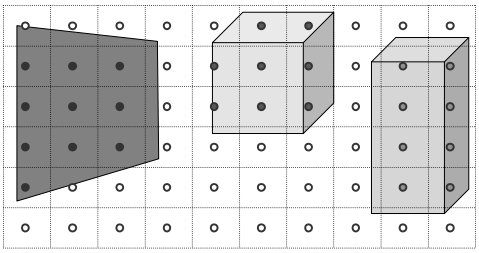
Ray Casting Revisited

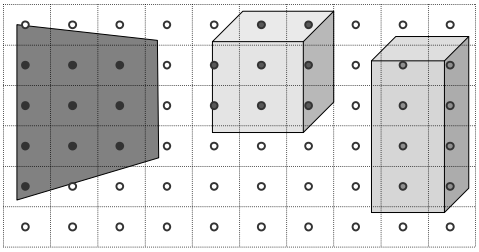
- For each sample …
  - Construct ray from eye position through view plane
  - Find first surface intersected by ray through pixel
  - Compute color of sample based on surface radiance



More efficient algorithms utilize spatial coherence!

3D Polygon Rendering

- What steps are necessary to utilize spatial coherence while drawing these polygons into a 2D image?



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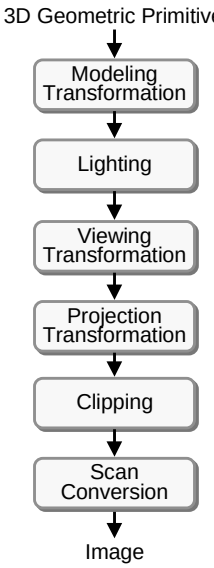
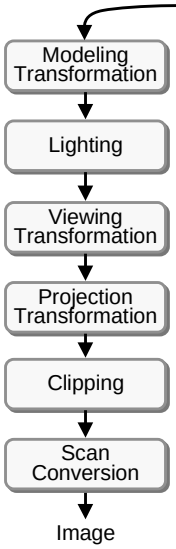


This is a pipelined sequence of operations to draw a 3D primitive into a 2D image

Example: OpenGL

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OpenGL executes steps of 3D rendering pipeline for each polygon

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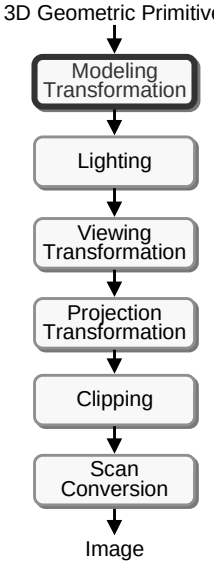

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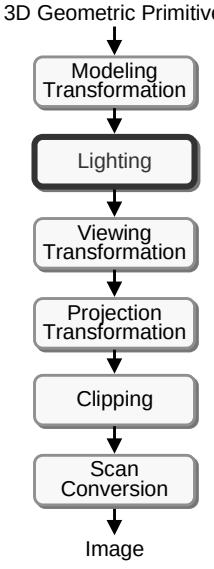

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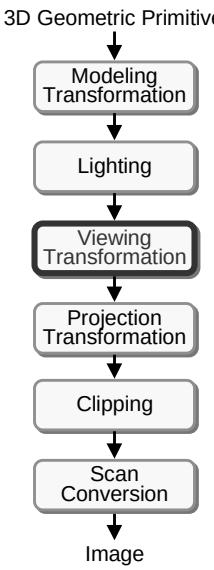

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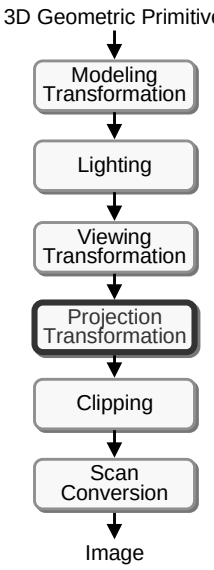

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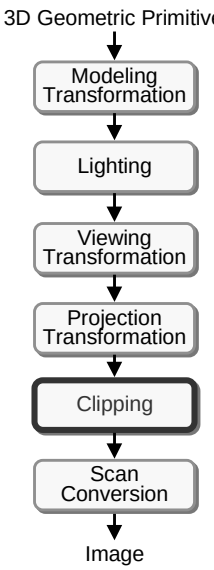

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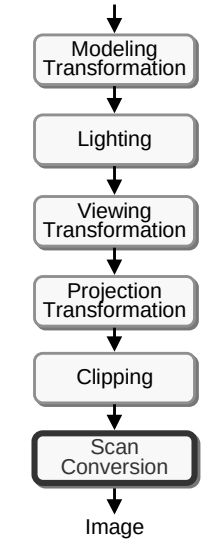

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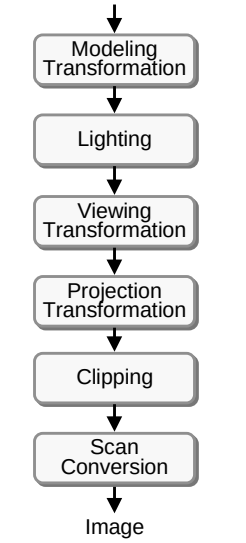

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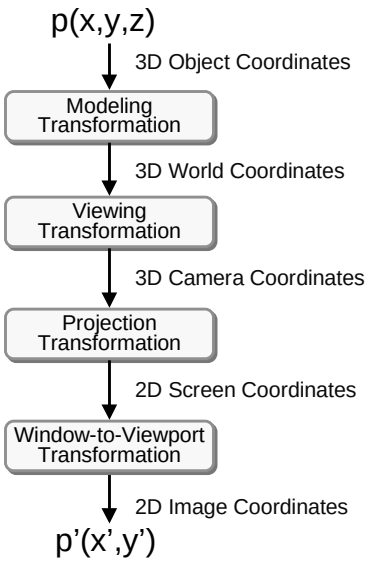
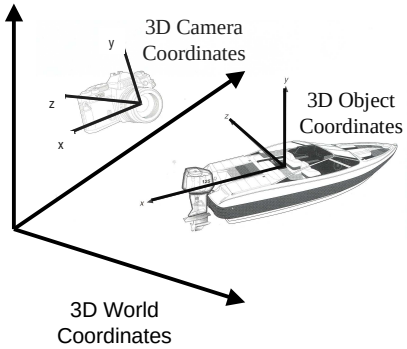
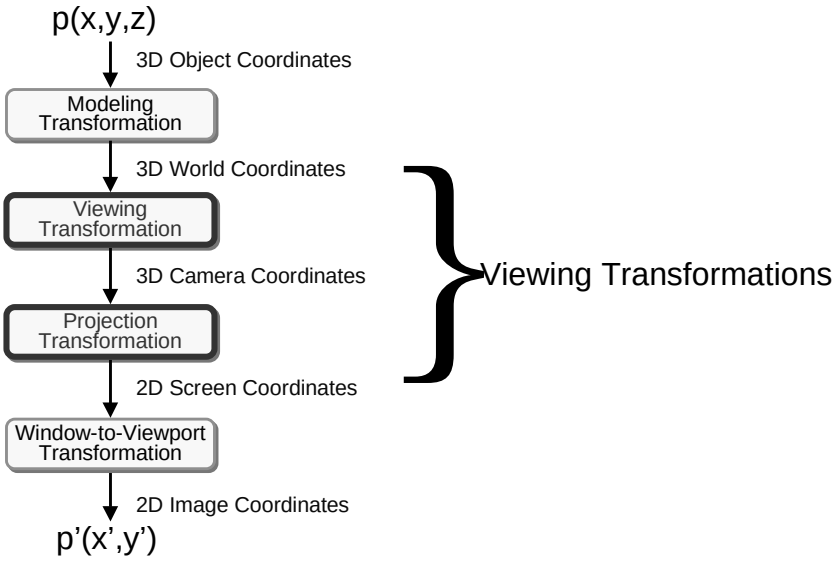


Transformations map points from one coordinate system to another

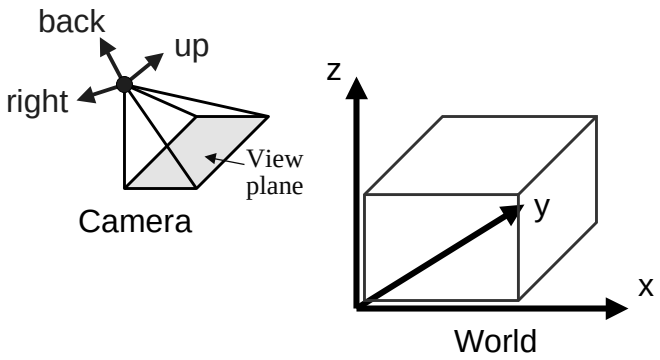


Viewing Transformations



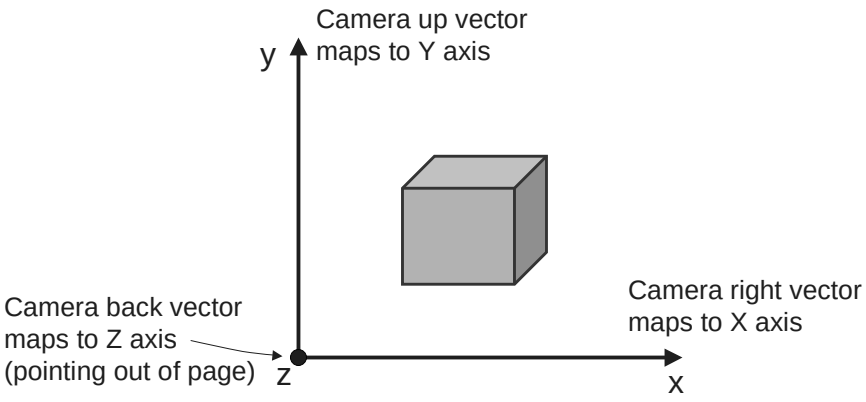
Viewing Transformation

- Mapping from world to camera coordinates
  - Origin moves to eye position
  - Up vector maps to Y axis
  - Right vector maps to X axis



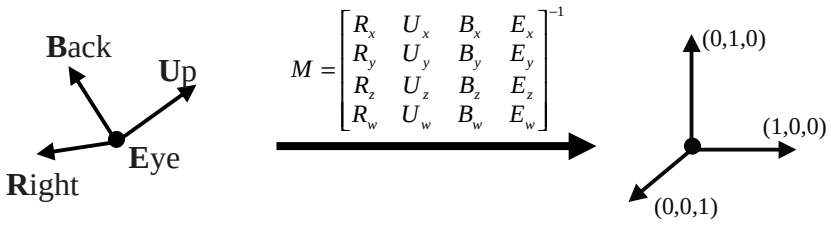
Camera Coordinates

- Canonical coordinate system
  - Convention is right-handed (looking down -z axis)
  - Convenient for projection, clipping, etc.



Viewing Transformation

- Transformation matrix maps camera basis vectors to canonical vectors in camera coordinate system



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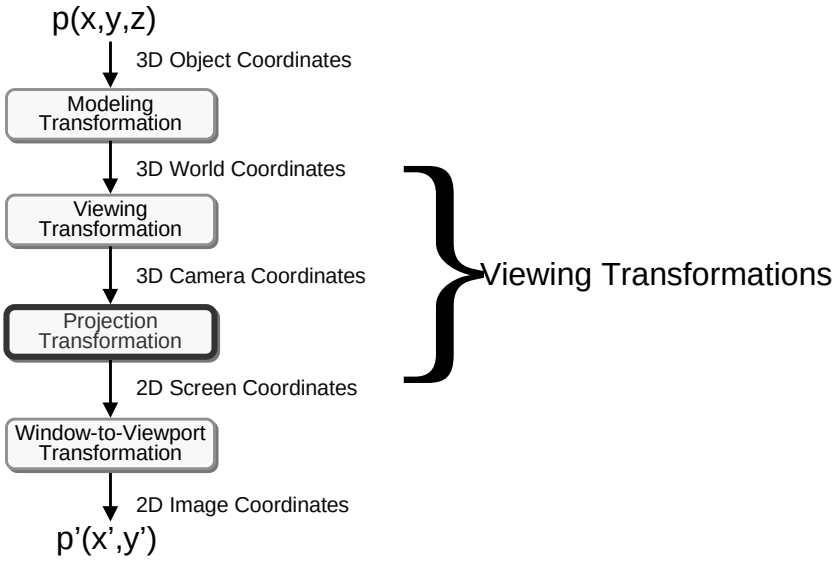
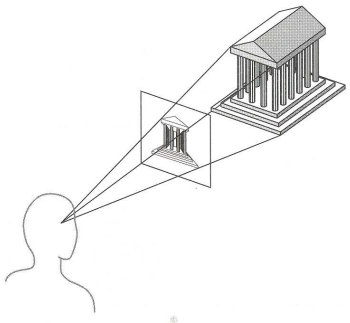


Projection

- General definition:
  - Transform points in *n*-space to *m*-space (*m*<*n*)
- In computer graphics:
  - Map 3D camera coordinates to 2D screen coordinates



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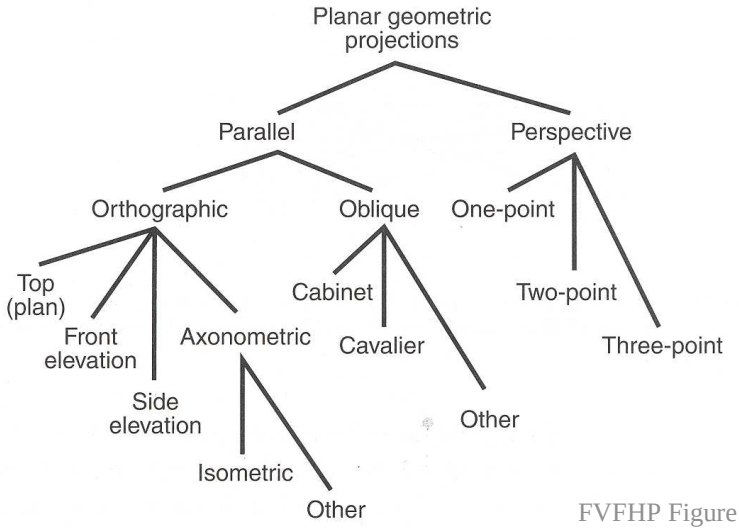

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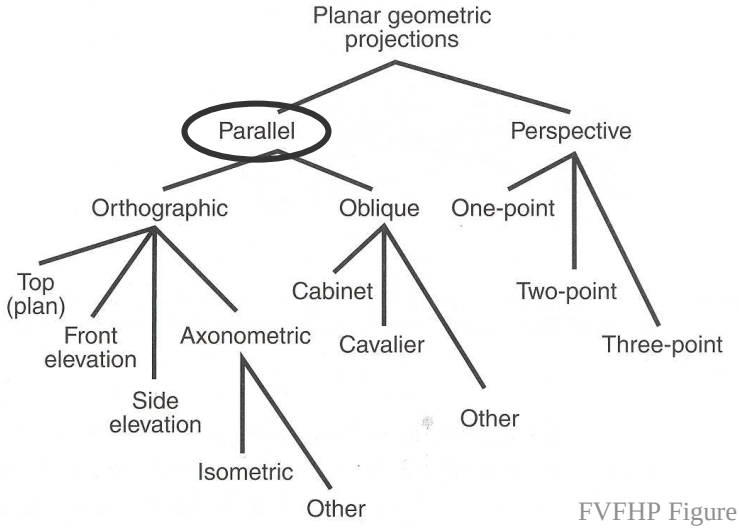

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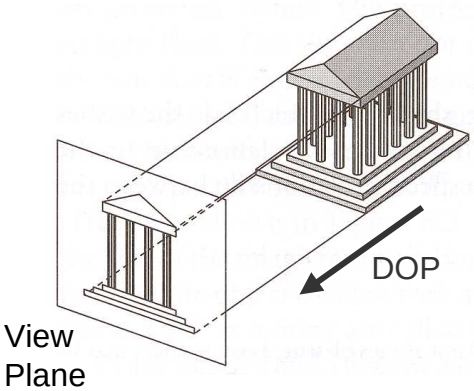
Parallel Projection

- Center of projection is at infinity
  - Direction of projection (DOP) same for all points



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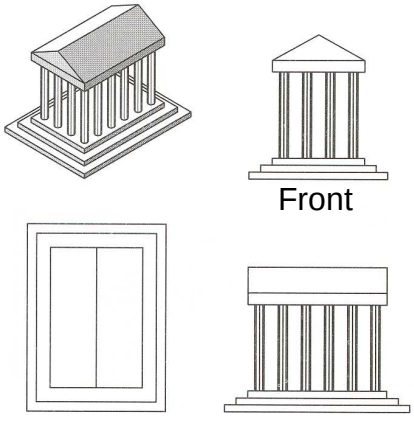
Orthographic Projections

- DOP perpendicular to view plane



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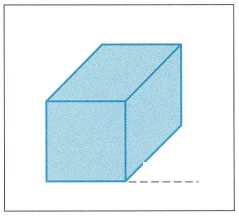
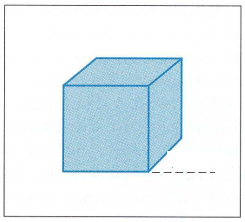
Oblique Projections

- DOP not perpendicular to view plane



Cavalier
(DOP at 45°)



Cabinet
(DOP at 63.4°)

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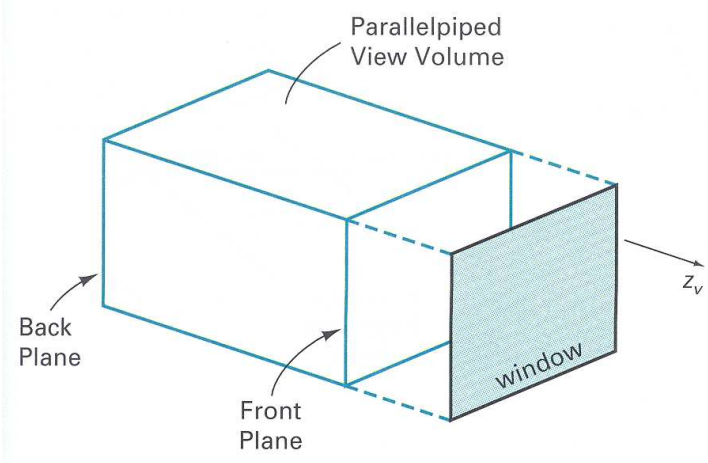
Parallel Projection View Volume



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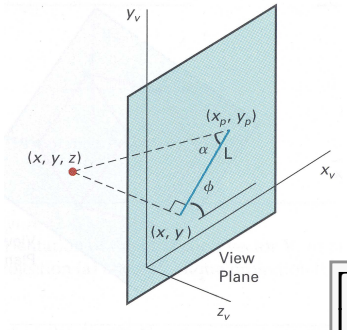
Parallel Projection Matrix

- General parallel projection transformation:



$$\begin{bmatrix} x_s \\ y_s \\ z_s \\ w_s \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & L_1 \cos\phi & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & L_1 \sin\phi & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_c \\ y_c \\ z_c \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

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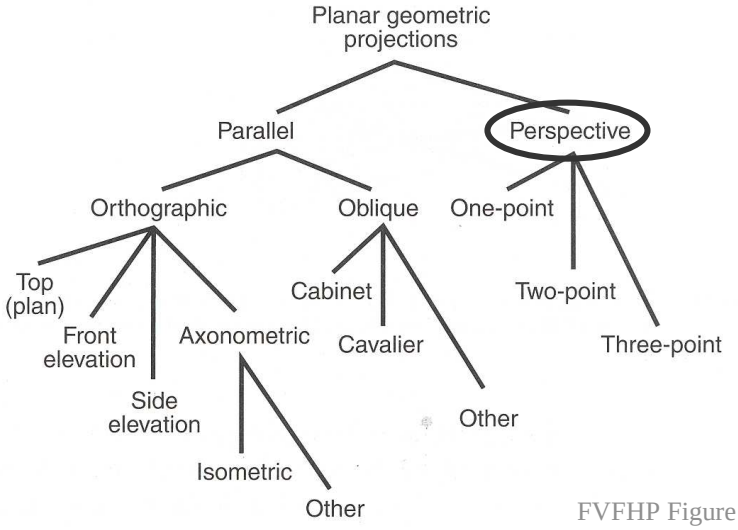

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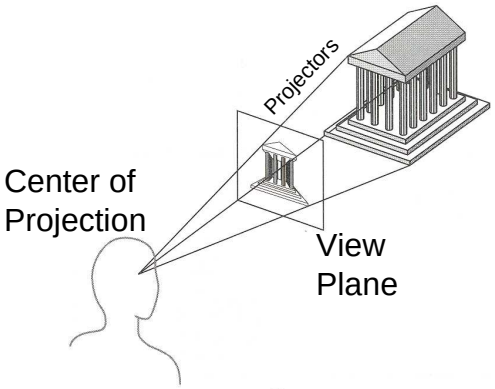
Perspective Projection

- Map points onto “view plane” along “projectors” emanating from “center of projection” (COP)



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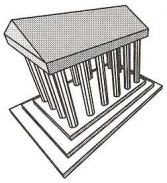
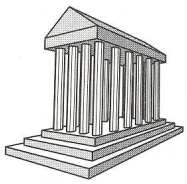
Perspective Projection

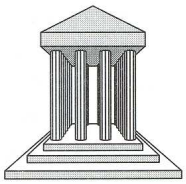
- How many vanishing points?



3-Point Perspective



2-Point Perspective



1-Point Perspective

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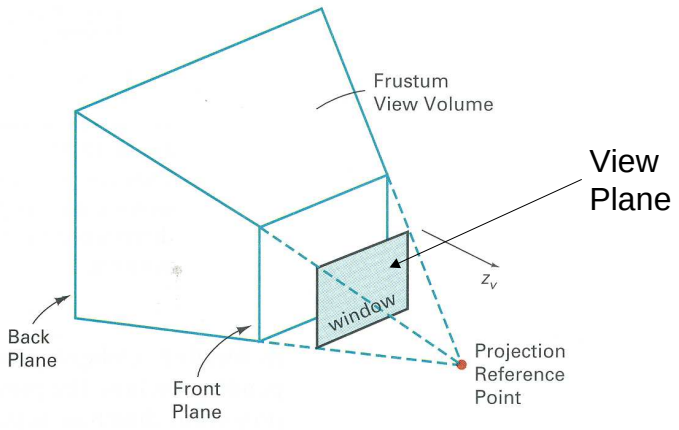

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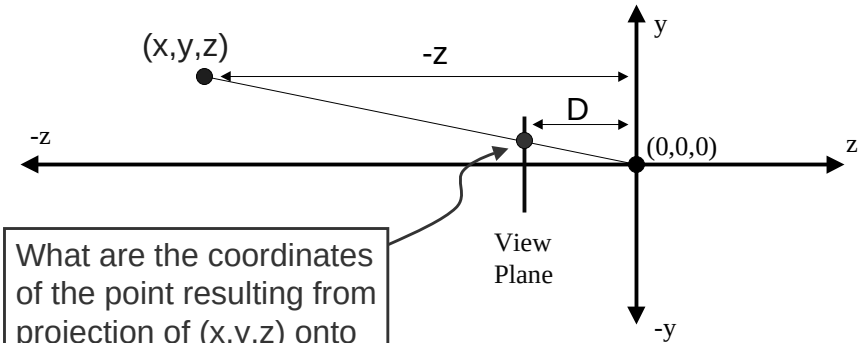

What are the coordinates of the point resulting from projection of (x,y,z) onto the view plane?

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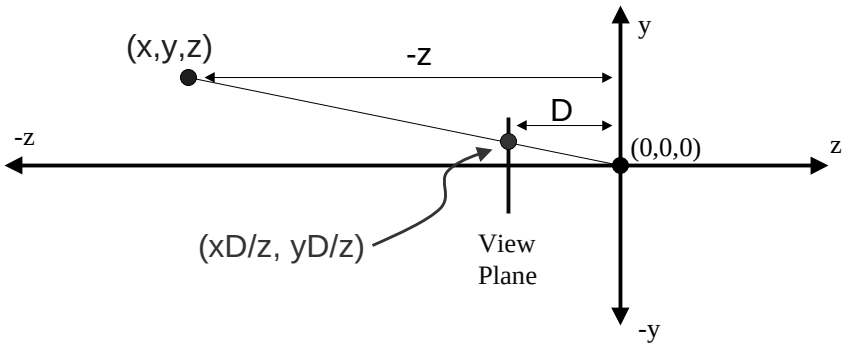

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- 4x4 matrix representation?

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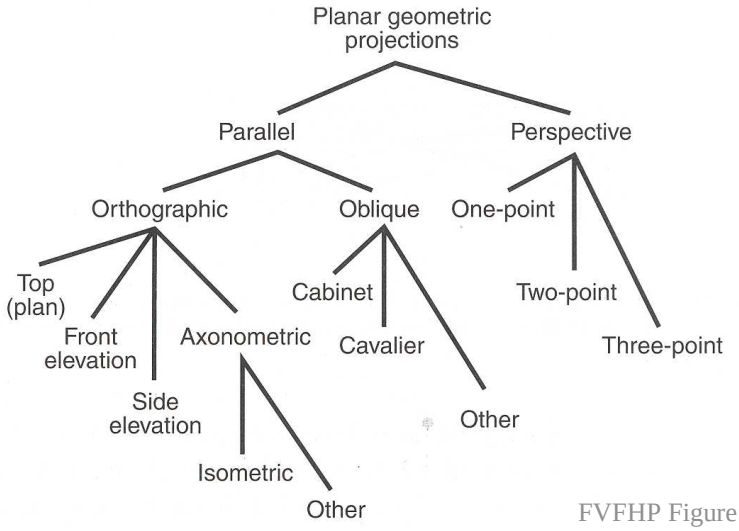

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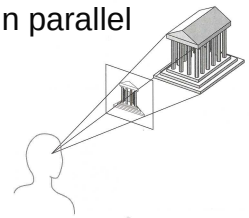
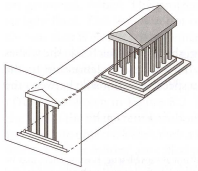
Perspective vs. Parallel

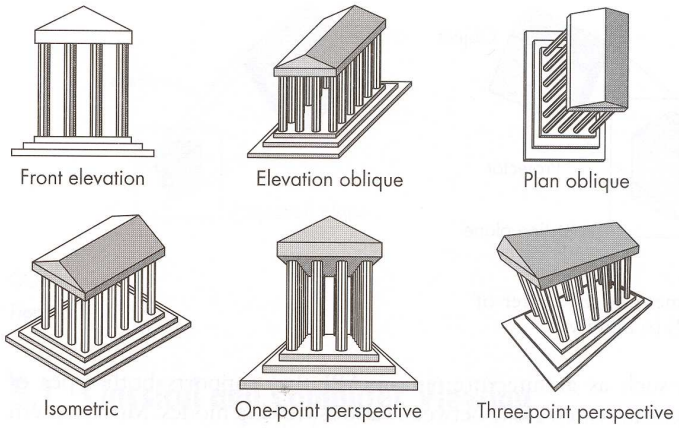
- Perspective projection
  - \+ Size varies inversely with distance - looks realistic
  - – Distance and angles are not (in general) preserved
  - – Parallel lines do not (in general) remain parallel



- Parallel projection
  - \+ Good for exact measurements
  - \+ Parallel lines remain parallel
  - – Angles are not (in general) preserved
  - – Less realistic looking



Classical Projections



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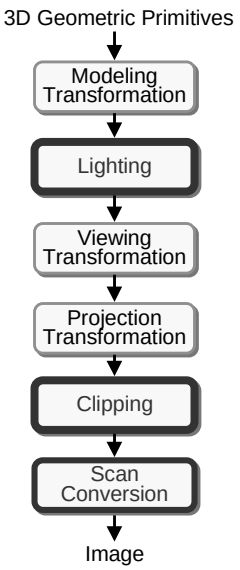
Summary

- Camera transformation
  - Map 3D world coordinates to 3D camera coordinates
  - Matrix has camera vectors as rows
- Projection transformation
  - Map 3D camera coordinates to 2D screen coordinates
  - Two types of projections:
    - » Parallel
    - » Perspective

Next Time



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