




GPU PROGRAMMING FOR VIDEO GAMES

3D Coordinates & Transformations

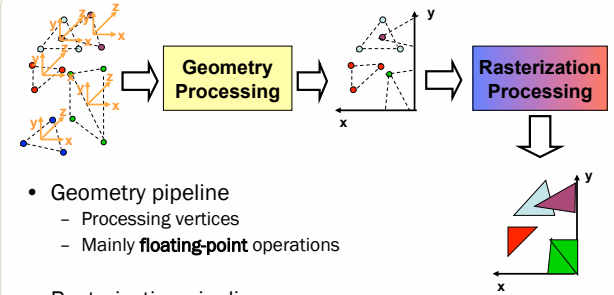


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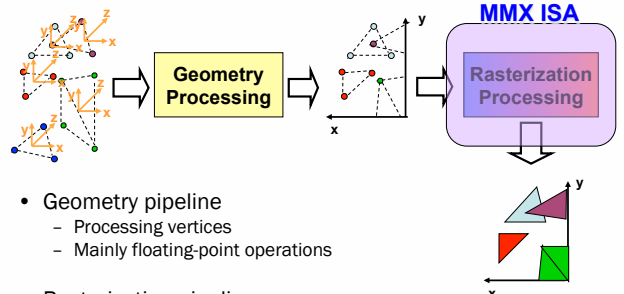
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 - Processing vertices
 - Mainly **floating-point** operations
- Rasterization pipeline
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 - Mainly dealing with **integer** operations



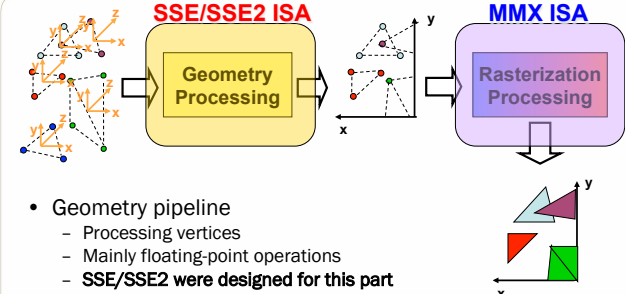
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Fixed-function 3D graphics pipeline

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3D Coord: Math textbooks use z-up

Z-up, Right-Handed System

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3D Coord: Real games tend to use y-up

Left-Handed System

- Direct3D
- Unity3D

Right-Handed System

- OpenGL
- XNA

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X-Y natural for screen coordinates

Left-Handed System

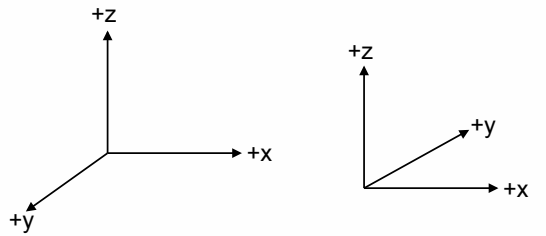
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Some use Z-up for world coordinates

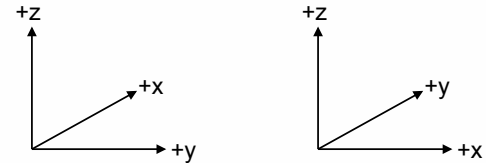


Left-Handed System

Right-Handed System

- Z-up, LHS: Unreal
- Z-up, RHS: Quake/Radiant, Source/Hammer
- Nearly everything still uses Y-up for screen coordinates!

Another view

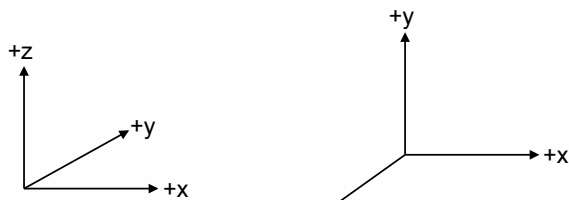


Left-Handed System

Right-Handed System

- Unreal
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3D “object” modeling software



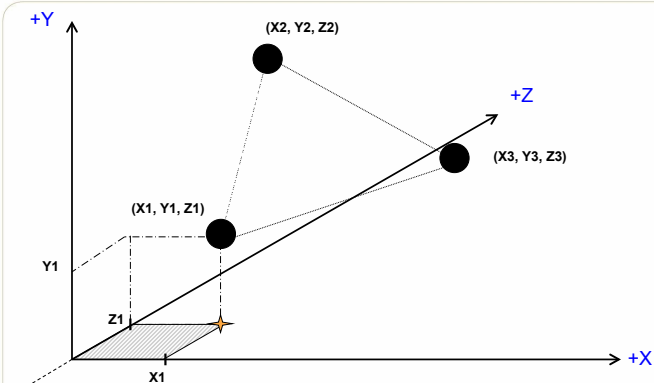
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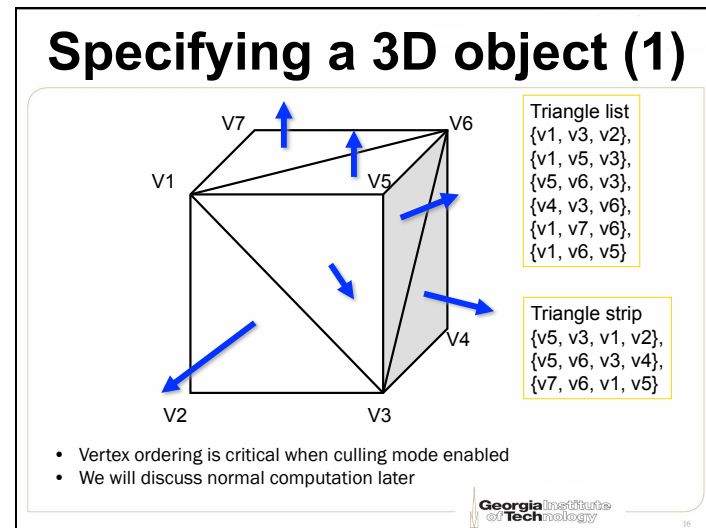
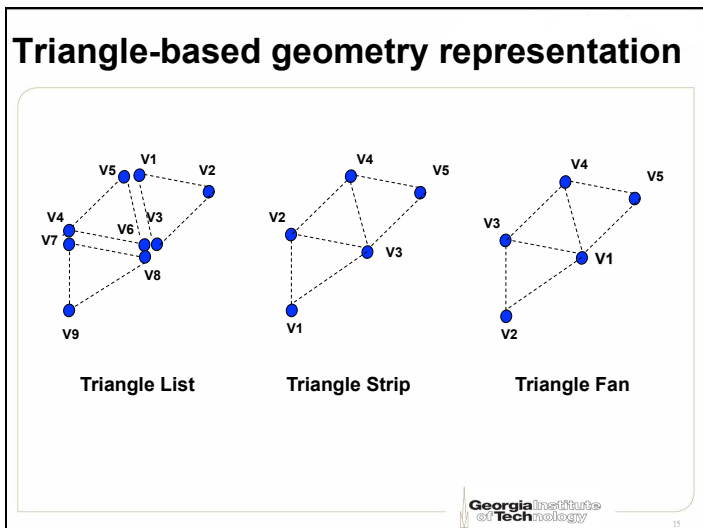
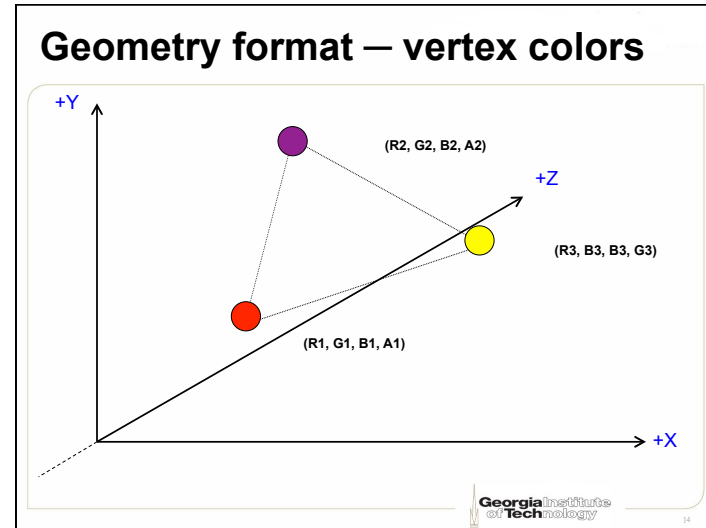
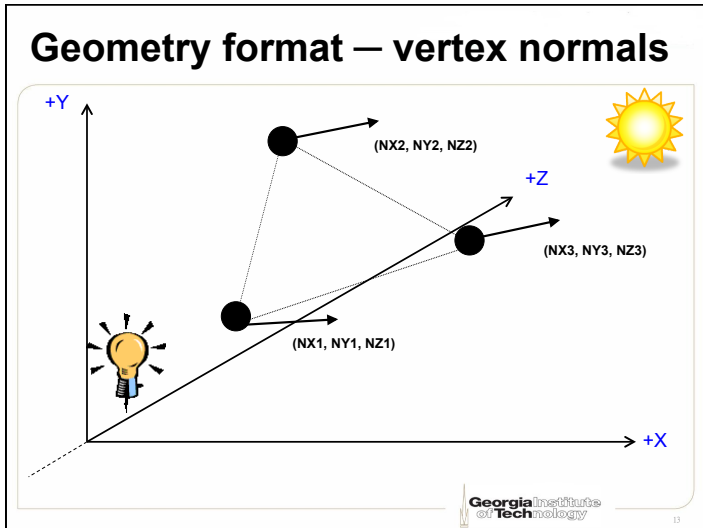
3D Studio Max, Blender

Right-Handed System

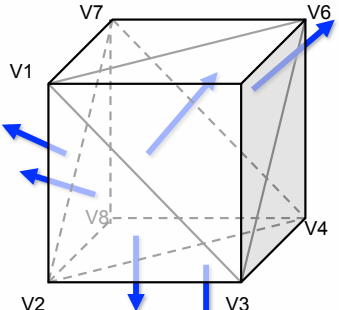
Maya, Milkshape

Geometry format – vertex coordinates





Specifying a 3D object (2)



Triangle list

```
{v1, v2, v7},
{v2, v8, v7},
{v2, v3, v4},
{v2, v4, v8},
{v4, v7, v8},
{v4, v6, v7}
```

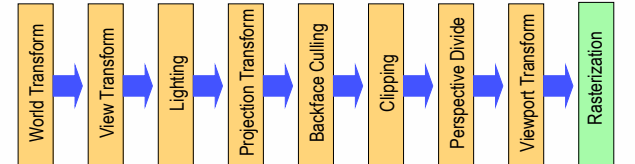
Triangle strip

```
{v1, v2, v7, v8},
{v3, v4, v2, v8},
{v6, v7, v4, v8}
```

- Vertex ordering is critical when culling mode enabled
- We will discuss normal computation later

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3D rendering pipeline



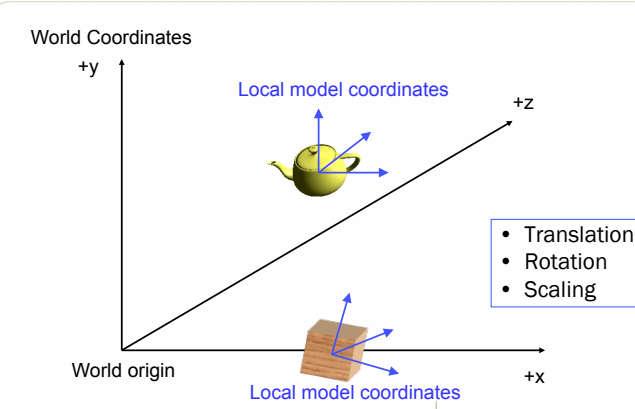
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Transformation pipeline

- World Transformation
 - Model (object) coordinates → World coordinates
- View Transformation
 - World coordinates → View (camera) space
- Projection Transformation
 - View (camera) space → Screen plane
- These are a series of matrix multiplications

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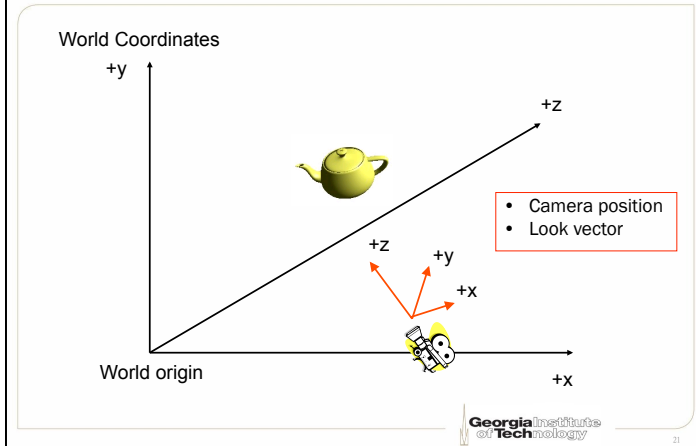
World transformation



- Translation
- Rotation
- Scaling

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View transformation



Projection transformation

- Set up camera internals
 - Field of View (FOV)
 - View frustum
 - View planes
- Will discuss in the next lecture

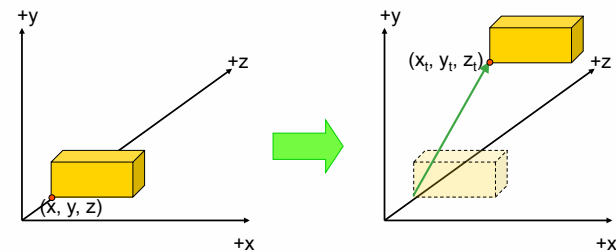
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Homogeneous coordinates

- Enable all transformations to be done by “multiplication”
 - Primarily for translation (see next few slides)
- Add one coordinate (w) to a 3D vector
- Each vertex has $[x, y, z, w]$
 - w will be useful for perspective projection
 - w should be 1 in a Cartesian coordinate system

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Transformation 1: translation (Offset)



Translation matrix (1)

$$[x_t, y_t, z_t, 1] = [x, y, z, 1] \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ T_x & T_y & T_z & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

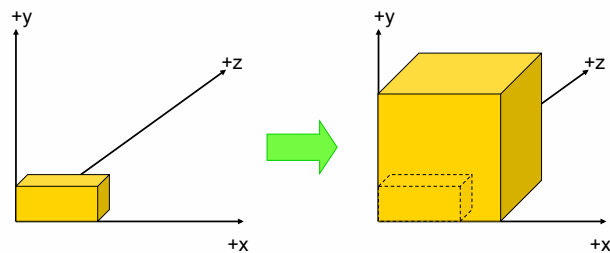
- Direct3D and XNA use a row-coordinate convention (as shown above)
- Transformation matrices operate “left to right”

Translation matrix (2)

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_t \\ y_t \\ z_t \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & T_x \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & T_y \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & T_z \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

- OpenGL, Unity & non-graphics world uses column coordinates (as shown above)
- Transformation matrices operate “right to left”
- Subtle points concerning HLSL/Cg will come up

Transformation 2: scaling



Scaling matrix

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_s \\ y_s \\ z_s \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} S_x & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & S_y & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & S_z & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Transformation 3: rotation

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2D rotation

$$\begin{bmatrix} x' \\ y' \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \cos\theta & -\sin\theta & 0 \\ \sin\theta & \cos\theta & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Using counterclockwise convention

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3D rotation matrices (LHS)

Rotation along **Z** axis

$$\begin{bmatrix} x' \\ y' \\ z' \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \cos\theta & -\sin\theta & 0 & 0 \\ \sin\theta & \cos\theta & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Rotation along **Y** axis

$$\begin{bmatrix} x' \\ y' \\ z' \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \cos\theta & 0 & \sin\theta & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -\sin\theta & 0 & \cos\theta & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

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Non-commutative property (1)

1. Clockwise 90° looking down y
2. Counter-CW 90° looking down x

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Non-commutative property (2)

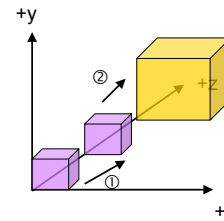
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$(x'', y'', z'') = (-z, -x, y)$

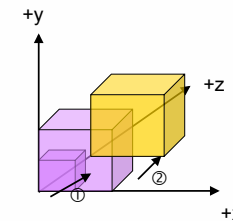
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Non-commutative property (3)

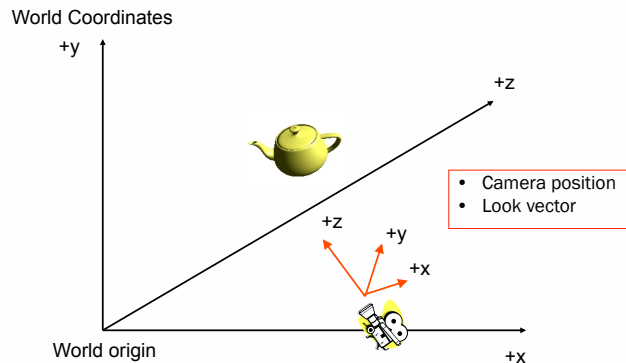


1. Translation by (x, y, z)
2. Scale by 2 times



1. Scale by 2 times
2. Translation by (x, y, z)

View transformation revisited



Specifying the view transformation

- Most commonly parameterized by:
 - Position of camera
 - Position of point to look at
 - Vector indicating "up" direction of camera
- In Direct3D: `D3DXMatrixLookAtLH`
 - D3D uses a LHS, but also have `D3DXMatrixLookAtRH`
- In XNA: `Matrix.CreateLookAt` (RHS)
- In OpenGL: `gluLookAt` (RHS)
- Can also build a rotation+translation matrix as if the camera was an object in scene, then take the inverse of that matrix

Using “LookAt” in Unity

```
// This complete script can be attached to a camera to make it
// continuously point at another object.

// The target variable shows up as a property in the inspector.
// Drag another object onto it to make the camera look at it.
using UnityEngine;
using System.Collections;

public class ExampleClass : MonoBehaviour {
    public Transform target;

    void Update() {
        // Rotate the camera every frame so it keeps looking at the target
        transform.LookAt(target); // optional parameter for "up"
    }
}
```

docs.unity3d.com/ScriptReference/Transform.LookAt.html

Trouble with transforming normals

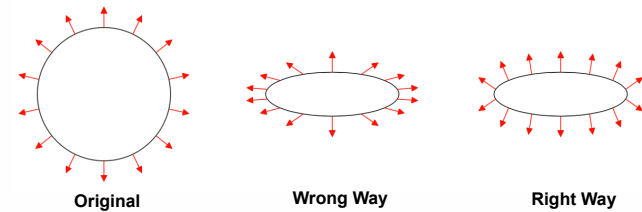


Image from Jason L. McKesson, “Learning Modern 3D Graphics Programming,” 2012

<http://alfonse.bitbucket.org/oldtut/Illumination/Tut09%20Normal%20Transformation.html#d0e9295>

Transforming normals

Only using upper left 3x3 part of the 4x4 matrix:

$$\mathbf{n} \cdot \mathbf{t} = \mathbf{n}^T \mathbf{t} = 0$$

$$(\mathbf{W}\mathbf{n}) \cdot (\mathbf{M}\mathbf{t}) = 0$$

$$(\mathbf{W}\mathbf{n})^T (\mathbf{M}\mathbf{t}) = 0$$

$$(\mathbf{n}^T \mathbf{W}^T) (\mathbf{M}\mathbf{t}) = 0$$

$$\mathbf{n}^T (\mathbf{W}^T \mathbf{M}) \mathbf{t} = 0$$

Since $\mathbf{n}^T \mathbf{t} = 0$ we can set $\mathbf{W}^T \mathbf{M} = \mathbf{I}$

$$\mathbf{W} = (\mathbf{M}^{-1})^T = \mathbf{M}^{-T}$$

From [http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Normal_\(geometry\)#Transforming_normals](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Normal_(geometry)#Transforming_normals)