

3-D Graphics

Overview of 3-D Computer Graphics

- Display image of real or imagined 3-D scene on a 2-D screen

Some Aspects of 3-D Graphics

- Modeling and Rendering
 - Wireframe Models
 - Polygon Mesh Models
- Rendering
 - Types of Projections
 - The Viewing Pipeline
 - Hidden surface removal
 - Shading

Problem # 1: Modeling

- Representing objects in 3-D space
- First need to represent points
- Use a 3-D coordinate system, e.g.:
 - Cartesian: (x, y, z)
 - Spherical: (ρ, θ, ϕ)
 - Cylindrical: (r, θ, z)

Conversions

- Spherical to Cartesian

$$x = \rho * \sin(\phi) * \cos(\theta)$$

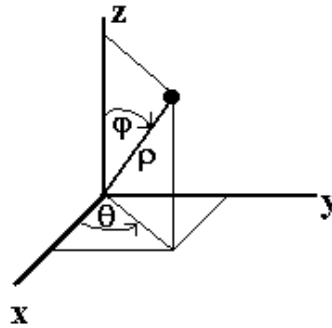
$$y = \rho * \sin(\phi) * \sin(\theta)$$

$$z = \rho * \cos(\phi)$$

RH Coord System

Could be LH

Viewing system



Types of 3-D Models

- 1. Boundary Representation (B-Rep)
 - Surface descriptions
 - Two common ones:
 - A. Polygonal
 - B. Bicubic parametric surface patches
- 2. Solid Representation
 - Solid modeling

Polygonal Models

- Object surfaces approximated by a mesh of planar polygons

Scene -->

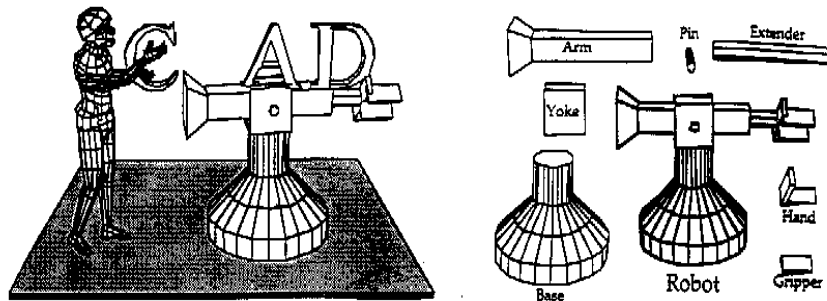
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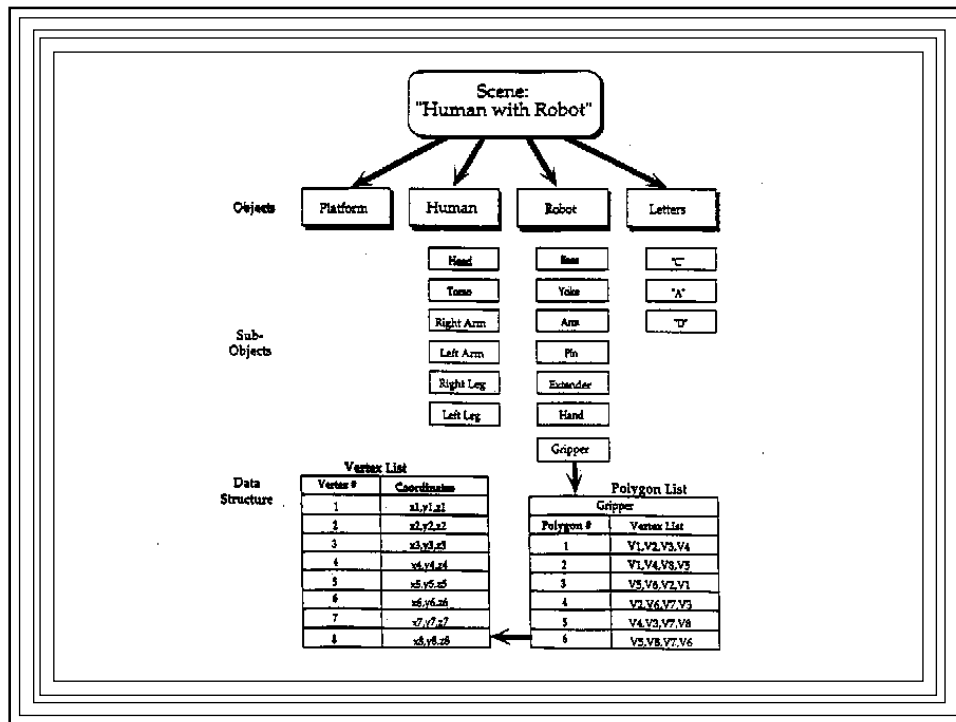
Sub-objects -->

Polygons -->

Vertices (points)

Polygon Mesh Model Example Scene

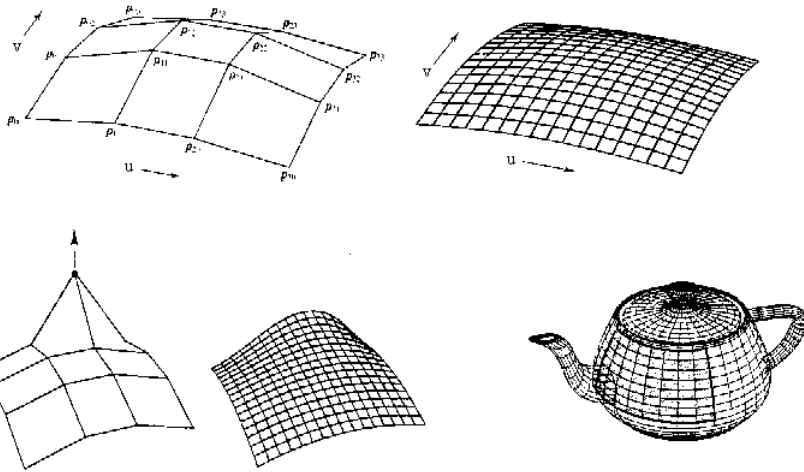




Bicubic Parametric Surface Patches

- Objects represented by nets of elements called surface patches
 - Polynomials in two parametric variables
 - Usually cubic
 - Bezier surface patches
 - B-Spline surface patches

Bicubic Parametric Surface Patches

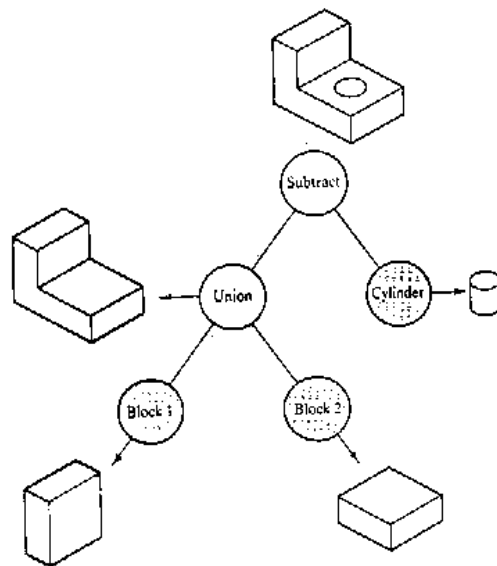


Solid Representation-- Solid Modeling

- Objects represented exactly by combinations of elementary solid objects
 - e.g., spheres, cylinders, boxes, etc
 - Called geometric primitives

Constructive Solid Geometry (CSG)

- Complex objects built up by combining geometric primitives using Boolean set operations
 - union, intersection, difference
- and linear transformations
- Object stored as a tree
 - Leaves contain primitives
 - Nodes store set operators or transformations

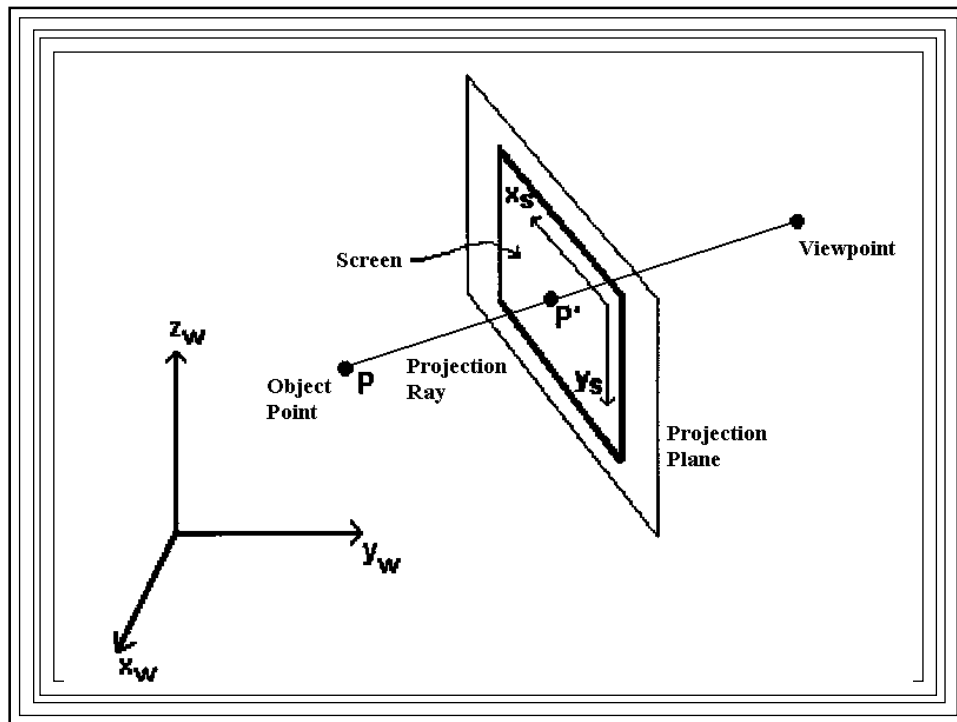


Problem # 2: Rendering

- Displaying a 2-D view of a 3-D model

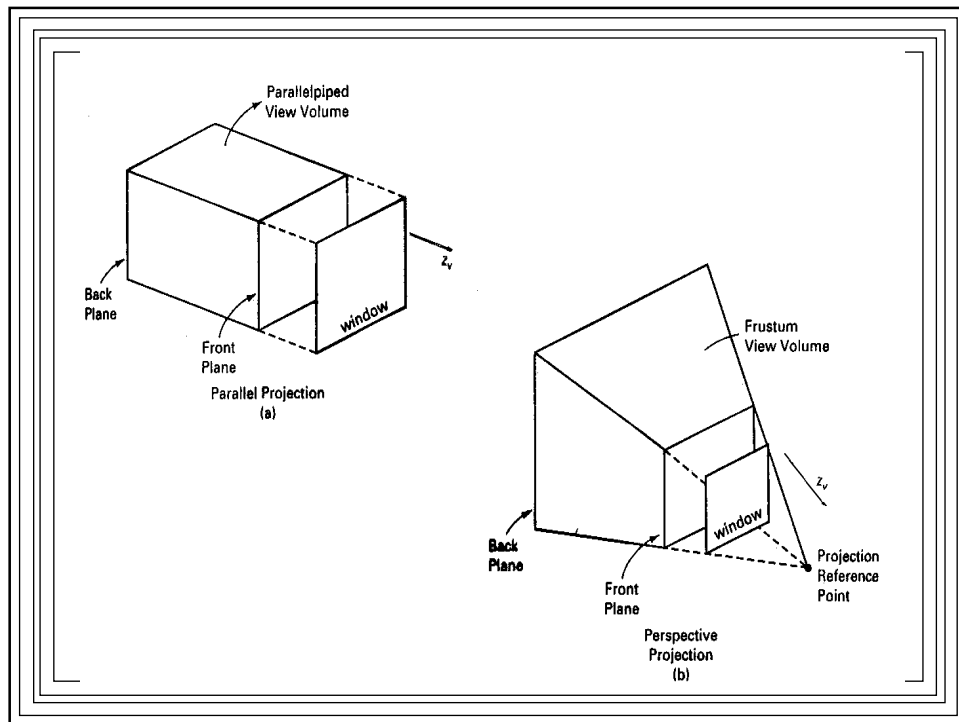
A. Projection

- Going from 3-D to 2-D
 - Every world coordinate point in scene (x_w, y_w, z_w) maps to a point on device viewing screen (x_s, y_s)
- Camera model
 - Construct projection rays
 - From points in scene through projection plane terminating on “Center of Projection”
 - Camera point or view point
 - Projection Point:
 - Intersection of projection ray with projection plane



Two Basic Types of Projection

- 1. Parallel projection
 - Center of Projection at infinity
 - So projection rays are parallel
 - Equal-size objects at different distances from screen project to same size images
 - Parallel lines in scene project to parallel lines on screen
 - Useful in CAD



● 2. Perspective projection

- Center of Projection at finite distance from screen
- Far objects of the same size project to smaller images than close objects
 - Farther objects appear to be smaller
 - More realistic images
 - Parallel lines in scene don't necessarily project to parallel lines on screen

B. Hidden surface removal

- Surfaces facing away from viewer are invisible
 - Should not be displayed
 - Backface culling
- Surfaces blocked by objects closer to viewer are invisible
 - Should not be displayed
 - General hidden surface removal algorithms

C. Shading

- Projections of surfaces should be colored (shaded)
- Color depends on intensity of light reflected from surface into viewer's eye
- Need an illumination/reflection model
 - Must take into account:
 - Material properties of surfaces
 - How light interacts with them

D. Other effects

- Shadows
- Transparency
- Multiple reflections
- Atmospheric absorption
- Surface textures
- Lots of others
- Physics and Optics!!

The Viewing Pipeline

- Chain of transformations/operations needed to go from a 3-D model to a 2-D image on the viewing screen

1. Local coordinate space (3-D):

Individual object descriptions given

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| Modeling Transformations
| (Geometric transformations)

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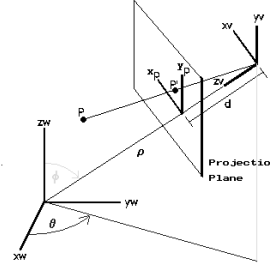
2. World coordinate space (3-D):

Scene is composed

Objects, lights positioned

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| 3-D Viewing Transformation

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3. Viewing coordinate space (3-D):

Eye/camera coordinate system

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| 3-D clipping
| Backface culling

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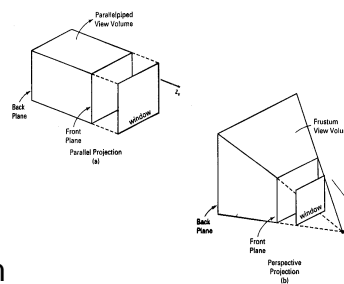
4. 3-D viewing volume:

Eye/camera coordinate system

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| Projection Transformation

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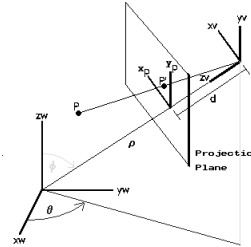
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5. 2-D projection plane description:

2-D World coordinate system window

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- | 2-D Viewing xformation (window to viewport)
- | 2-D clipping
- | Hidden surface removal
- | Shading
- | Other effects
- |
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6. 2-D Device coordinate space:

2-D Screen coordinate system viewport

3-D Modeling with Polygons

• Two types of polygon models

1. Wireframe

- Store the polygon edges
- List of edge endpoints
- Not useful for shaded images

2. Polygon Mesh

- Store the polygon faces:
- Array of vertex lists
- One list for each polygon

Data structures

- Polygons represent/approximate object surfaces
- In either case we must store 3-D world coordinates of each vertex

– Use an array of 3-D points:

```
struct point3d {float x; float y; float z};  
                                     // a single 3-D point  
Struct point3d w_pts[ ];             // w_pts is the 3-D  
                                     // points array
```

Storing Polygons in a Wireframe Model

- Store polygon edges as an array
- Each element a pair of indices into the 3D points array:

```
int edges[ ][2]; // Each second-index value gives the  
                // position of an edge's endpoint vertex  
                // in the 3-D points array
```

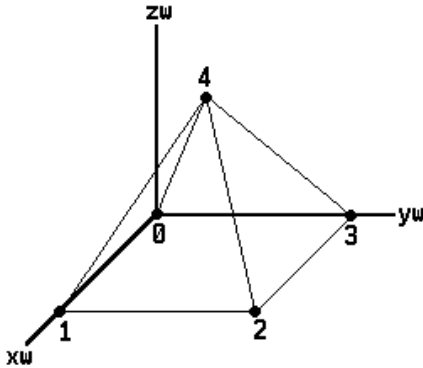
Storing Polygons in a Polygon Mesh Model

- Object: Can be represented as an array of polygons
- Each polygon consists of:
 - (a) the number of vertices in the polygon
 - (b) a list of indices into the 3-D points array
 - (An index gives the position of a vertex in the 3-D points array)

```
struct polygon {int n; int *inds};  
    // n: The number of vertices  
    // inds: List of indices into the points array  
           // Specifies which vertices form the polygon  
  
struct polygon object[ ];  
           // The object being modeled  
           // An array of polygons
```

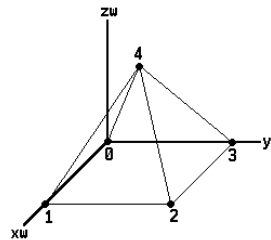

Example--A Pyramid

- Pyramid below has 5 vertices, 8 edges and 5 polygon faces



Vertex Coordinates

vertex	xw	yw	zw
0	0	0	0
1	150	0	0
2	150	150	0
3	0	150	0
4	75	75	150



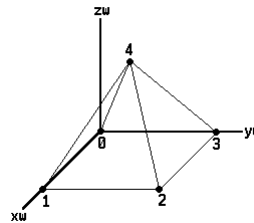
The Pyramid's Points Array

```

struct point3d w_pts[5];
                                // Pyramid vertices in world coords.
int b=150, h=75 ; // Dimensions of pyramid

// Set up world coordinate points array
w_pts[0].x=w_pts[0].y=w_pts[0].z=0;
w_pts[1].x=b; w_pts[1].y=w_pts[1].z=0;
w_pts[2].x=w_pts[2].y=b; w_pts[2].z=0;
w_pts[3].x=w_pts[3].z=0; w_pts[3].y=b;
w_pts[4].x=w_pts[4].y=b/2; w_pts[4].z=h;

```



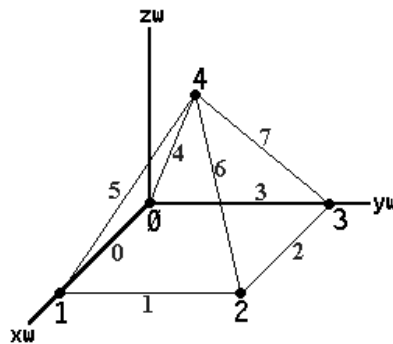
Edge Array (Wireframe)

Edge Endpoints
 (points array indices)

```

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0        0, 1
1        1, 2
2        2, 3
3        3, 0
4        0, 4
5        1, 4
6        2, 4
7        3, 4

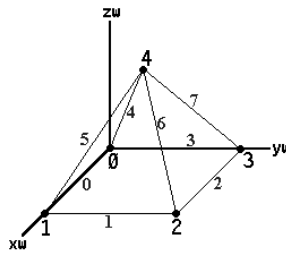
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Edge Array

- Edge array could be generated by:

```
int edges[8][2] =  
    {{0,1},{1,2},{2,3},{3,0},{0,4},{1,4},{2,4},{3,4}};
```



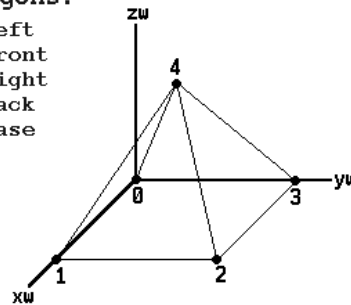
Polygons Array (Mesh)

polygon #	vertices	vertices
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0	3	0, 1, 4
1	3	1, 2, 4
2	3	2, 3, 4
3	3	0, 4, 3
4	4	0, 3, 2, 1

Polygons:

0: Left
1: Front
2: Right
3: Back
4: Base



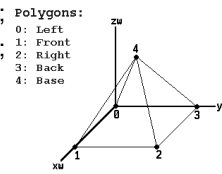
- Polygon array could be generated by:

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struct polygon object[5];
// Allocate Space:

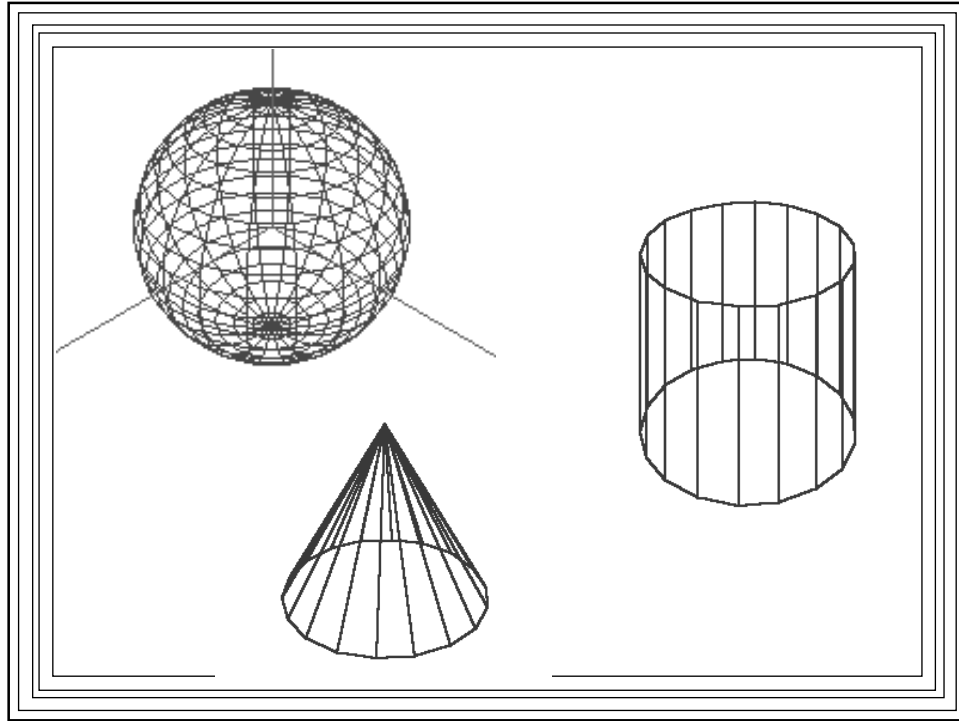
for (i=0;i<=3;i++)
    { object[i].n=3; object[i].inds = (int *) calloc(3,sizeof(int)); }
object[4].n=4; object[4].inds = (int *) calloc(4,sizeof(int));
// Define the polygons in the object
// define the side triangles
object[0].inds[0]=0; object[0].inds[1]=1; object[0].inds[2]=4;
object[1].inds[0]=1; object[1].inds[1]=2; object[1].inds[2]=4;
object[2].inds[0]=2; object[2].inds[1]=3; object[2].inds[2]=4;
object[3].inds[0]=0; object[3].inds[1]=4; object[3].inds[2]=3;
// define the square base
object[4].inds[0]=0; object[4].inds[1]=3;object[4].inds[2]=2;
object[4].inds[3]=1;

```



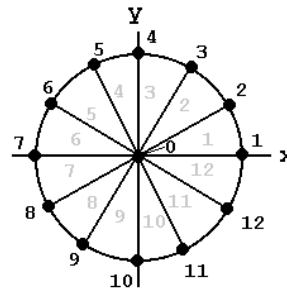
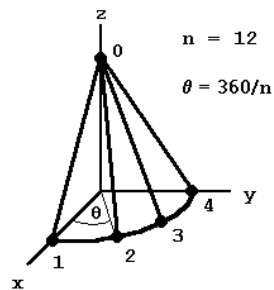
More Complex 3-D Objects

- Approximate surfaces with polygons
- Often points, edges, and/or polygons arrays can be generated procedurally



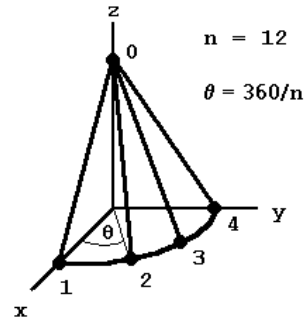
Example 1: A Cone

- Approximate with n triangular sides
- $n+1$ vertices (apex + n in the base)
- And a Base polygon with n sides (example, $n=12$)



Cone Points Array

- Base points:
 $x = R * \cos (i * \theta);$
 $y = R * \sin (i * \theta);$
 $// \theta = 360/n$
 $z = 0;$
- Apex point:
 $x = y = 0;$
 $z = h; // \text{(height of cone)}$

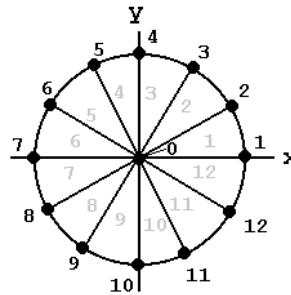


Cone Polygons Array

- ```

poly[0] = {12, {12,11,10,9,8,7,6,5,4,3,2,1}};
poly[1] = {3, {1,2,0}};
poly[2] = {3, {2,3,0}};
poly[3] = {3, {3,4,0}};
poly[4] = {3, {4,5,0}};
...
poly[12] = {3, {12,1,0}};

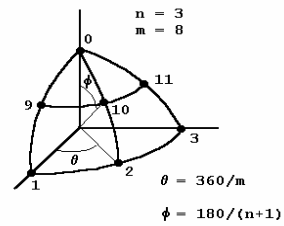
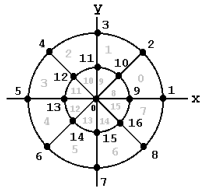
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- The triangles can be generated in a loop

## Example 2: A Sphere

- Divide with n lines of latitude and m lines of longitude
- Gives triangles and quadrilaterals
- Latitude/Longitude intersection points used as approximating-polygon vertices
- Number of vertices =  $m \cdot n + 2$
- Number of polygons =  $(n+1) \cdot m$
- Example  $n=3, m=8$



Example:  $n=3, m=8$

$8 \cdot 3 + 2 = 26$  vertices

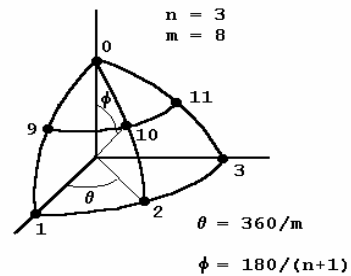
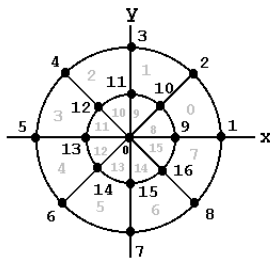
Can get  $x, y, z$  from spherical coordinates

Loop  $j: 0 \rightarrow n-1$  (latitudes),  $i: 0 \rightarrow m-1$  (longitudes)

$$x = R \cdot \sin(i \cdot \theta) \cdot \cos(j \cdot \phi);$$

$$y = R \cdot \sin(i \cdot \theta) \cdot \sin(j \cdot \phi);$$

$$z = R \cdot \cos(j \cdot \phi);$$



$(3+1)*8 = 32$  polygons

Number them in a consistent way

$\text{poly}[0] = \{4, \{1,2,10,9\}\};$  // Upper Hemisphere

$\text{poly}[1] = \{4, \{2,3,11,10\}\};$

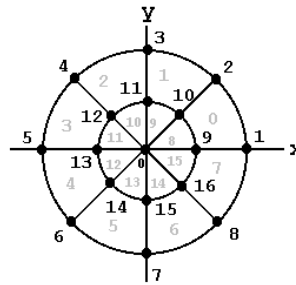
etc.

$\text{poly}[8] = \{3, \{0,9,10\}\};$

$\text{poly}[9] = \{3, \{0,10,11\}\};$

etc.

These can be  
generated in a loop



## 3-D Geometric Transformations

- Move objects in a 3-D scene
- Extension of 2-D Affine Transformations
- Three important ones:
  - Translation
  - Scaling
  - Rotations



## Representing 3-D Points

- Homogeneous coordinates
- $P(x, y, z) \rightarrow P'(x', y', z')$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \begin{array}{c} \text{---} \\ | x | \\ | y | \\ | z | \\ | \_1 \_ | \end{array} & \rightarrow & \begin{array}{c} \text{---} \\ | x' | \\ | y' | \\ | z' | \\ | \_1 \_ | \end{array} \end{array}$$

## Translations

- Given 3-D translation vector  $T=(t_x, t_y, t_z)$
- Component equations

$$x' = x + t_x$$

$$y' = y + t_y$$

$$z' = z + t_z$$

- Represent translation as matrix equation

$$P' = T * P$$

- $T$  is a 4 X 4 Homogeneous Matrix

## Homogeneous Translation Matrix

$$T = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & t_x \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & t_y \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & t_z \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

- Notice obvious extension from 2-D to 3-D

## Scaling with respect to origin

- Given three scaling factors  $s_x$ ,  $s_y$ ,  $s_z$

$$P' = S * P$$

- S is the following 4 X 4 scaling matrix:

$$S = \begin{bmatrix} s_x & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & s_y & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & s_z & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

- Again obvious extension from 2D

## Rotations

- Need to specify angle of rotation
- And axis about which the rotation is to be performed
- Infinite number of possible rotation axes
  - Rotation about any axis: linear combinations of rotations about x-axis, y-axis, z-axis

## Rotations about z-axis

- Consider rotation of point  $P=(x,y,z)$  by angle  $\theta$  about the z-axis giving rotated point  $P'=(x',y',z')$ 
  - Same x,y equations as in the 2-D case
  - z will not change

## Z-Axis Rotation Component Equations

$$x' = x \cdot \cos(\theta) - y \cdot \sin(\theta)$$

$$y' = x \cdot \sin(\theta) + y \cdot \cos(\theta)$$

$$z' = z$$

- Represented as homogeneous matrix equation:

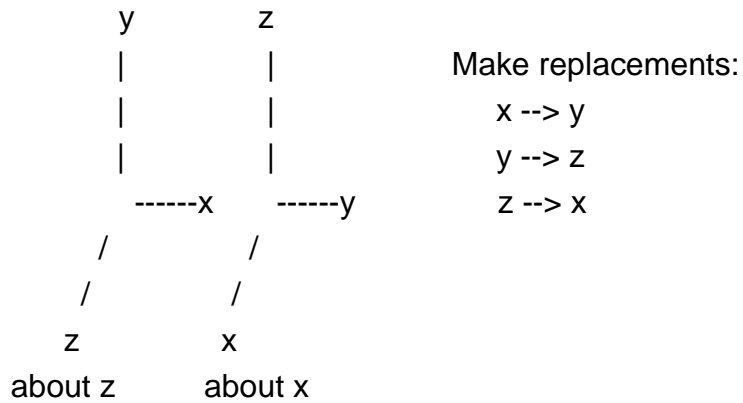
$$P' = R_z * P$$

## Z-Axis Rotation Matrix

$$R_z = \begin{bmatrix} \cos(\theta) & -\sin(\theta) & 0 & 0 \\ \sin(\theta) & \cos(\theta) & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

## Rx Matrix for rotations about x-axis

- Symmetry argument



- Original rotation about z-axis equations:

$$x' = x \cos(\theta) - y \sin(\theta)$$

$$y' = x \sin(\theta) + y \cos(\theta)$$

$$z' = z$$

- x->y, y->z, z->x transformed equations:

$$y' = y \cos(\theta) - z \sin(\theta)$$

$$z' = y \sin(\theta) + z \cos(\theta)$$

$$x' = x$$

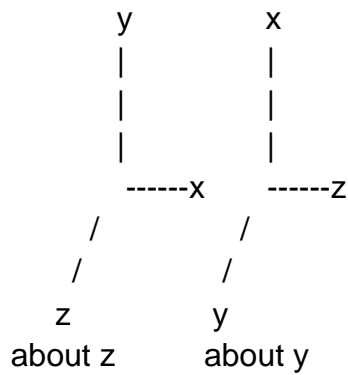
- Represented as matrix equation:

$$P' = R_x * P$$

$$R_x = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \cos(\theta) & -\sin(\theta) & 0 \\ 0 & \sin(\theta) & \cos(\theta) & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

# Ry Rotation Matrix

- Symmetry:



Replacements:

$x \rightarrow z$

$y \rightarrow x$

$z \rightarrow y$

$x \rightarrow z$

$y \rightarrow x$

$z \rightarrow y$

$$z' = z \cdot \cos(\theta) - x \cdot \sin(\theta)$$

$$x' = z \cdot \sin(\theta) + x \cdot \cos(\theta)$$

$$y' = y$$

$$P' = R_y * P$$

$$R_y = \begin{bmatrix} \cos(\theta) & 0 & \sin(\theta) & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -\sin(\theta) & 0 & \cos(\theta) & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

## Rotation Sense

- Positive sense
  - Defined as counter clockwise as we look down the rotation axis toward the origin