

# CSCI-4530/6530

## Advanced Computer Graphics

<http://www.cs.rpi.edu/~cutler/classes/advancedgraphics/S17/>

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## Luxo Jr.



Pixar Animation Studios, 1986

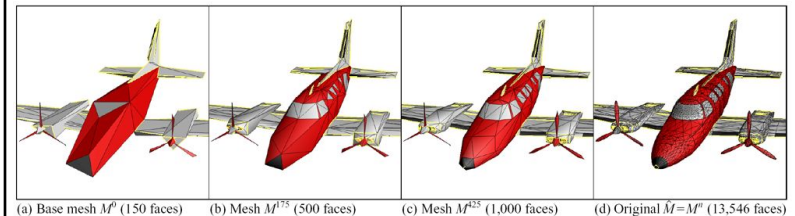
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## Topics for the Semester

- Meshes
  - representation
  - simplification
  - subdivision surfaces
  - construction/generation
  - volumetric modeling
- Simulation
  - particle systems, cloth
  - rigid body, deformation
  - wind/water flows
  - collision detection
  - weathering
- Rendering
  - ray tracing, shadows
  - appearance models
  - local vs. global illumination
  - radiosity, photon mapping, subsurface scattering, etc.
- procedural modeling
- texture synthesis
- non-photorealistic rendering
- hardware & more ...

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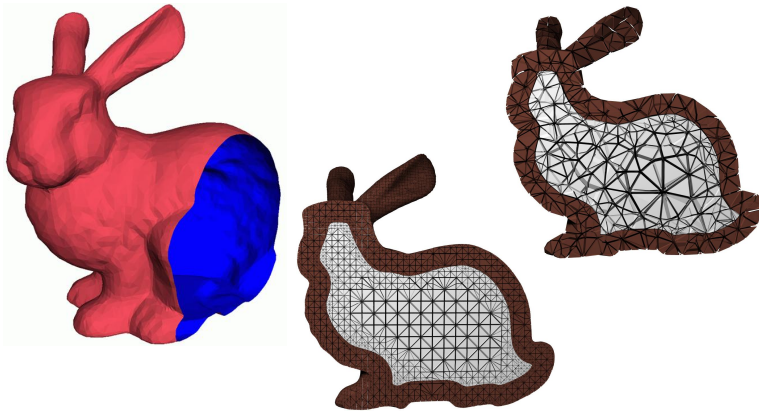
## Mesh Simplification



Hoppe "Progressive Meshes" SIGGRAPH 1996

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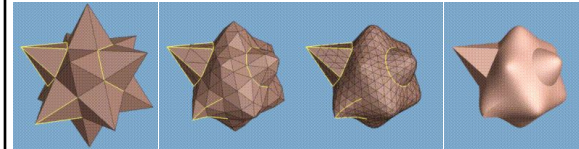
## Mesh Generation & Volumetric Modeling



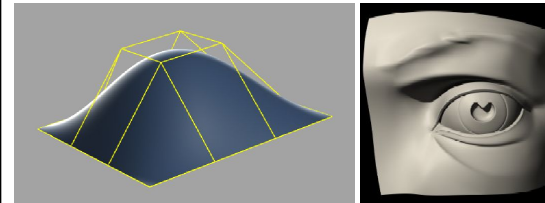
Cutler et al., "Simplification and Improvement of Tetrahedral Models for Simulation" 2004

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## Modeling – Subdivision Surfaces



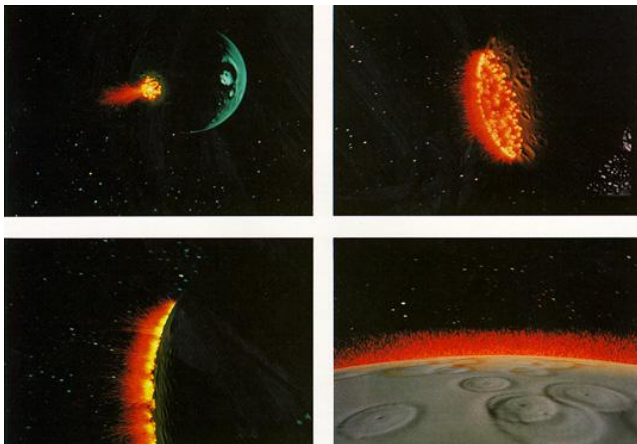
Hoppe et al., "Piecewise Smooth Surface Reconstruction" 1994



Geri's Game  
Pixar 1997

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## Particle Systems

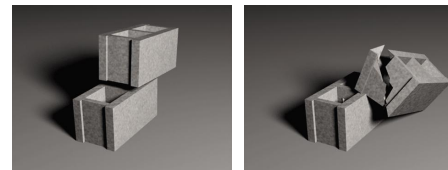


Star Trek: The Wrath of Khan 1982

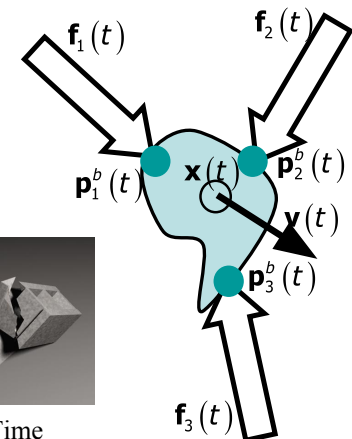
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## Physical Simulation

- Rigid Body Dynamics
- Collision Detection
- Fracture
- Deformation

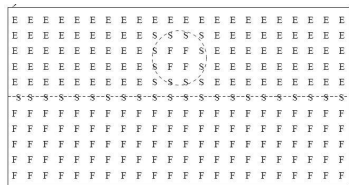
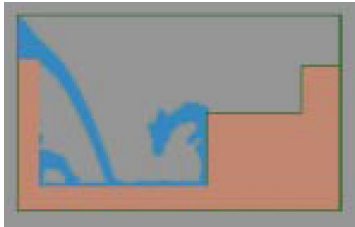


Müller et al., "Stable Real-Time Deformations" 2002



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## Fluid Dynamics



Foster & Matusik, 1996

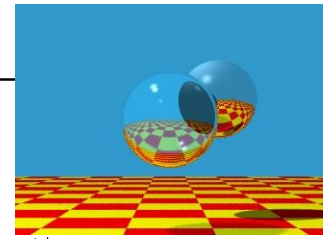


“Visual Simulation of Smoke”  
Fedkiw, Stam & Jensen  
SIGGRAPH 2001

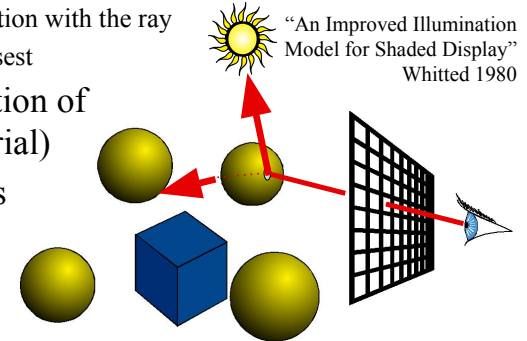
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## Ray Casting/Tracing

- For every pixel  
construct a ray from the eye
  - For every object in the scene
    - Find intersection with the ray
    - Keep the closest
- Shade (interaction of light and material)
- Secondary rays (shadows, reflection, refraction)



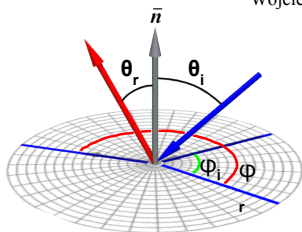
“An Improved Illumination Model for Shaded Display”  
Whitted 1980



## Appearance Models



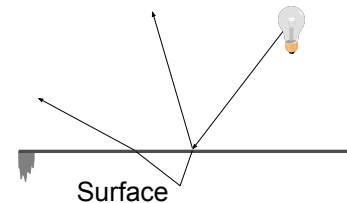
Wojciech Matusik



Henrik Wann Jensen

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## Subsurface Scattering



Jensen et al., “A Practical Model for Subsurface Light Transport” 2001

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## Syllabus & Course Website

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- Which version should I register for?
  - CSCI 6530 : 3 units of graduate credit
  - CSCI 4530 : 4 units of undergraduate credit(same lectures, assignments, quizzes, & grading criteria)
- This is an intensive course aimed at graduate students and undergraduates interested in graphics research, involving significant reading & programming each week. Taking this course in a 5 course overload semester is discouraged.

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## Grades

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- This course counts as “communications intensive” for undergraduates. As such, you must satisfactorily complete all readings, presentations, project reports to pass the course.
- As this is an elective (not required) course, I expect to grade this course: “A”, “A-”, “B+”, “B”, “B-”, or “F”
  - *Don’t expect C or D level work to “pass”*
  - *I don’t want to give any “F”s*

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## Participation/Laptops in Class Policy

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- Lecture is intended to be discussion-intensive
- Laptops, tablet computers, smart phones, and other internet-connected devices are not allowed
  - Except during the discussion of the day's assigned paper: students may use their laptop/tablet to view an electronic version of the paper
  - Other exceptions to this policy are negotiable; please see the instructor in office hours

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## Questions?

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## What is a Transformation?

- Maps points  $(x, y)$  in one coordinate system to points  $(x', y')$  in another coordinate system

$$x' = ax + by + c$$

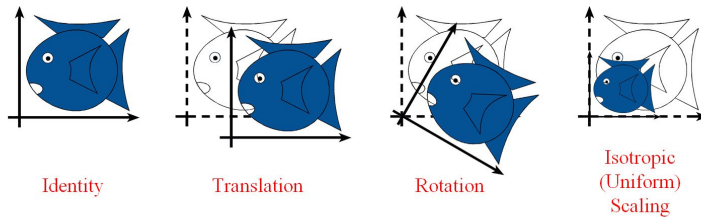
$$y' = dx + ey + f$$

- For example, Iterated Function System (IFS):



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## Simple Transformations

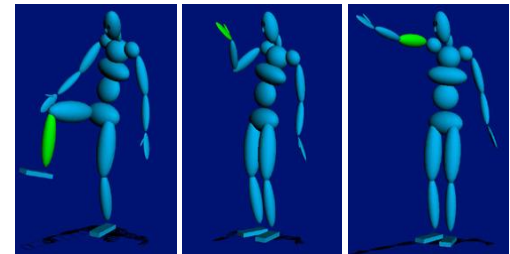


*Yes, except scale = 0*

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## Transformations are used to:

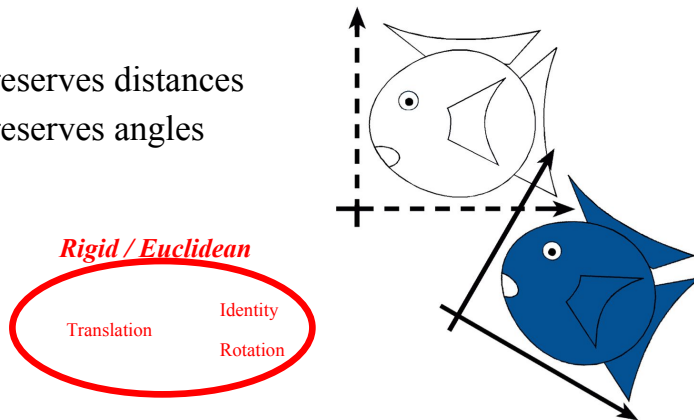
- Position objects in a scene
- Change the shape of objects
- Create multiple copies of objects
- Projection for virtual cameras
- Describe animations



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## Rigid-Body / Euclidean Transforms

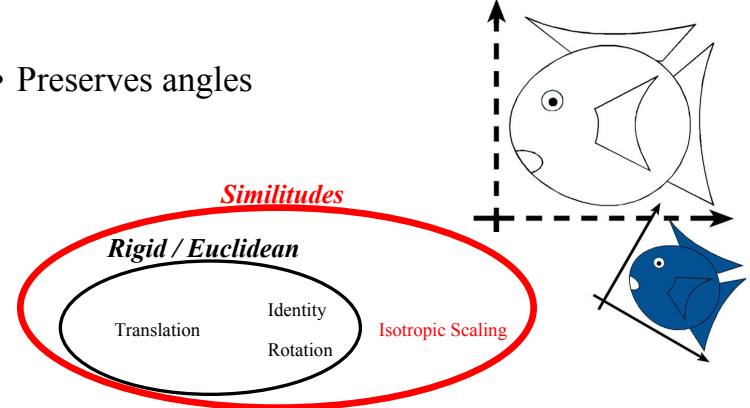
- Preserves distances
- Preserves angles



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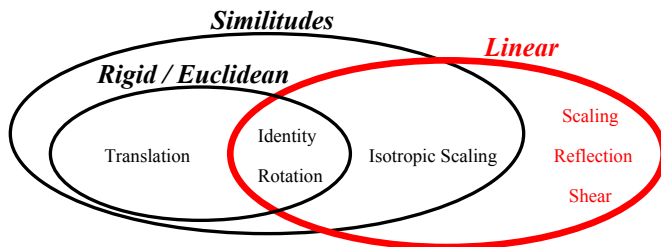
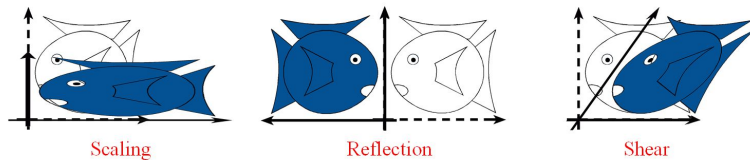
## Similitudes / Similarity Transforms

- Preserves angles



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## Linear Transformations



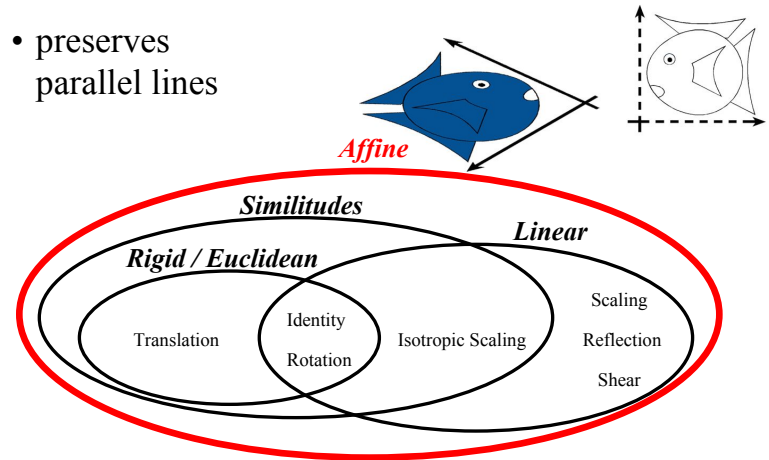
$$L(p + q) = L(p) + L(q)$$

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## Affine Transformations

- preserves parallel lines

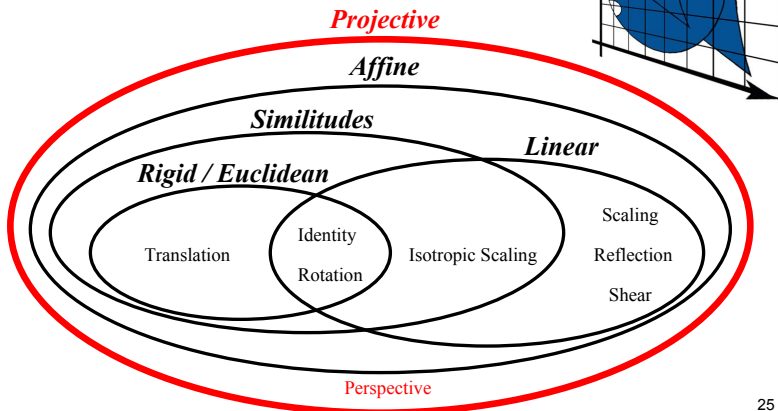


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# Projective Transformations

- preserves lines



## General (Free-Form) Transformation

- Does not preserve lines
- Not as pervasive, computationally more involved



Fig 1. Undeformed Plastic

Fig 2. Deformed Plastic

Sederberg and Parry, Siggraph 1986

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## How are Transforms Represented?

$$x' = ax + by + c$$

$$y' = dx + ey + f$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} x' \\ y' \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ d & e \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} c \\ f \end{bmatrix}$$

$$p' = Mp + t$$

# Homogeneous Coordinates

- Add an extra dimension
  - in 2D, we use 3 x 3 matrices
  - In 3D, we use 4 x 4 matrices
- Each point has an extra value, w

$$\begin{pmatrix} x' \\ y' \\ z' \\ w' \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} a & b & c & d \\ e & f & g & h \\ i & j & k & l \\ m & n & o & p \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \\ w \end{pmatrix}$$

$$p' = Mp$$

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# Translation in homogeneous coordinates

$$x' = ax + by + c$$

$$y' = dx + ey + f$$

Affine formulation

Homogeneous formulation

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$$p' = Mp + t$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} x' \\ y' \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} a & b & c \\ d & e & f \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$p' = Mp$$

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# Homogeneous Coordinates

- Most of the time w = 1, and we can ignore it

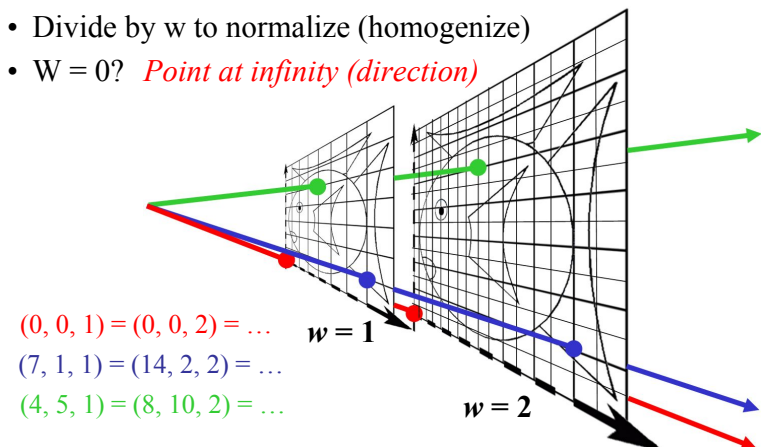
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- If we multiply a homogeneous coordinate by an *affine matrix*, w is unchanged

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# Homogeneous Visualization

- Divide by w to normalize (homogenize)
- W = 0? *Point at infinity (direction)*



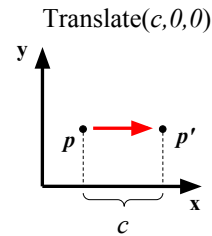
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## Translate ( $t_x, t_y, t_z$ )

- Why bother with the extra dimension?

Because now translations can be encoded in the matrix!

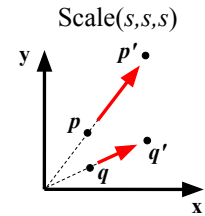


$$\begin{bmatrix} x' \\ y' \\ z' \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & t_x \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & t_y \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & t_z \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

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## Scale ( $s_x, s_y, s_z$ )

- Isotropic (uniform) scaling:  $s_x = s_y = s_z$

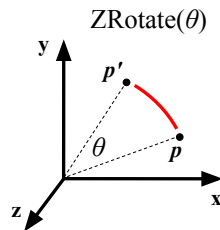


$$\begin{bmatrix} x' \\ y' \\ z' \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} s_x & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & s_y & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & s_z & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

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## Rotation

- About z axis

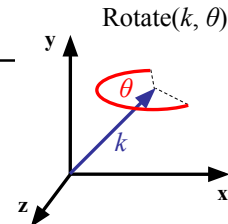


$$\begin{bmatrix} x' \\ y' \\ z' \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \cos \theta & -\sin \theta & 0 & 0 \\ \sin \theta & \cos \theta & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

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## Rotation

- About  $(k_x, k_y, k_z)$ , a unit vector on an arbitrary axis (Rodrigues Formula)



$$\begin{bmatrix} x' \\ y' \\ z' \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} k_x k_x (1-c) + c & k_z k_x (1-c) - k_z s & k_x k_z (1-c) + k_y s & 0 \\ k_y k_x (1-c) + k_z s & k_z k_x (1-c) + c & k_y k_z (1-c) - k_x s & 0 \\ k_z k_x (1-c) - k_y s & k_z k_x (1-c) - k_x s & k_z k_z (1-c) + c & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

where  $c = \cos \theta$  &  $s = \sin \theta$

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## Storage

- Often,  $w$  is not stored (always 1)
- Needs careful handling of direction vs. point
  - Mathematically, the simplest is to encode directions with  $w = 0$
  - In terms of storage, using a 3-component array for both direction and points is more efficient
  - Which requires to have special operation routines for points vs. directions

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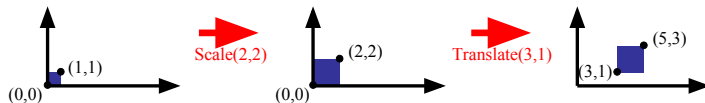
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## How are transforms combined?

Scale then Translate



Use matrix multiplication:  $p' = T(S p) = TS p$

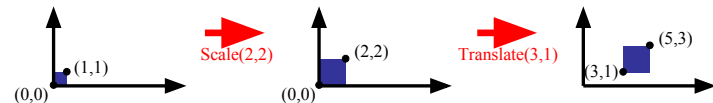
$$TS = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 & 3 \\ 0 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Caution: matrix multiplication is NOT commutative!

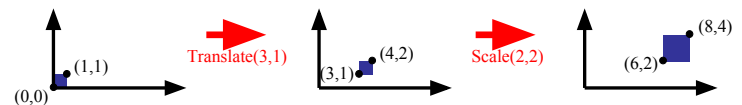
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## Non-commutative Composition

Scale then Translate:  $p' = T(S p) = TS p$



Translate then Scale:  $p' = S(T p) = ST p$



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Translate then Scale:  $p' = S(T p) = ST p$

$$ST = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 & 6 \\ 0 & 2 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

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## Exercise!

Form teams of 2. Use 1 piece of paper. Put both names on the top. Work together. Both people should write. Hand in to TA Jeramey Tyler after we discuss.

Write down the 3x3 matrix that transforms this set of 4 points:

A: (0,0)    B: (1,0)    C: (1,1)    D: (0,1)

to these new positions:

A': (-1, 1)    B': (-1, 0)    C': (0, 0)    D': (0, 1)

Show your work.

*If you finish early...*

*Solve the problem using a different technique.*

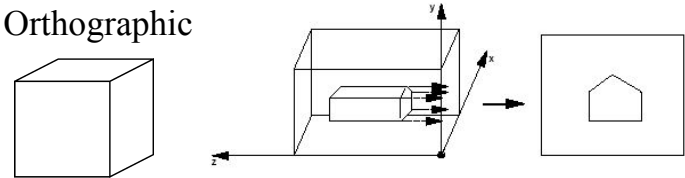
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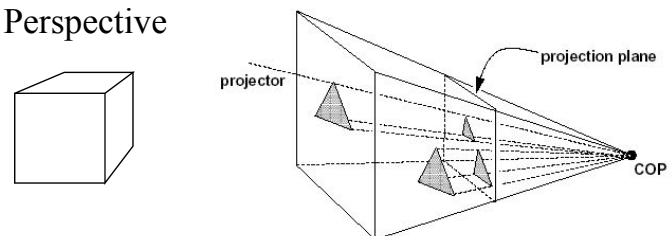
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## Orthographic vs. Perspective

- Orthographic



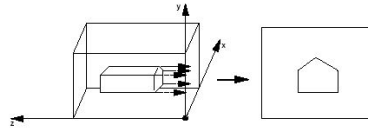
- Perspective



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## Simple Orthographic Projection

- Project all points along the  $z$  axis to the  $z = 0$  plane



$$\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

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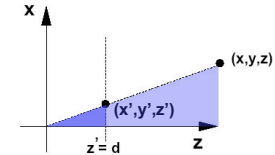
## Simple Perspective Projection

- Project all points along the  $z$  axis to the  $z = d$  plane, eyepoint at the origin:

By similar triangles:

$$x'/x = d/z$$

$$x' = (x*d)/z$$



homogenize

$$\begin{bmatrix} x * d / z \\ y * d / z \\ d \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \\ z / d \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1/d & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

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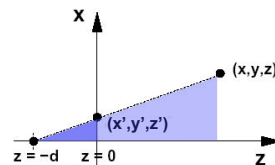
## Alternate Perspective Projection

- Project all points along the  $z$  axis to the  $z = 0$  plane, eyepoint at the  $(0,0,-d)$ :

By similar triangles:

$$x'/x = d/(z+d)$$

$$x' = (x*d)/(z+d)$$



homogenize

$$\begin{bmatrix} x * d / (z + d) \\ y * d / (z + d) \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ 0 \\ (z + d)/d \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1/d & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

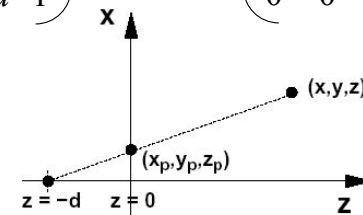
## In the limit, as $d \rightarrow \infty$

this perspective projection matrix...

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1/d & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

...is simply an orthographic projection

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$



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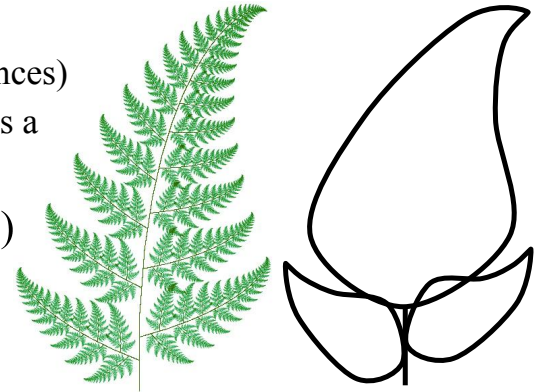
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## Iterated Function Systems (IFS)

- Capture self-similarity
- Contraction  
(reduce distances)
- An attractor is a fixed point

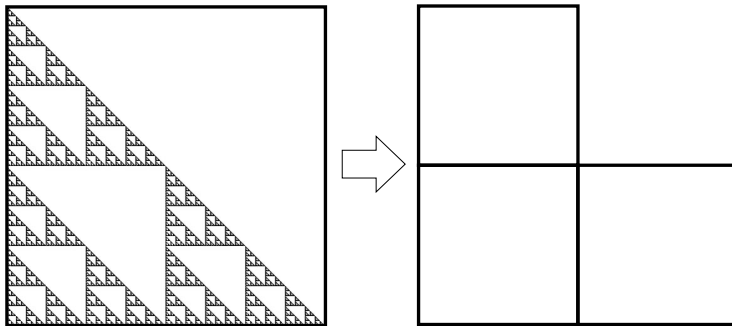
$$A = \bigcap f_i(A)$$



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## Example: Sierpinski Triangle

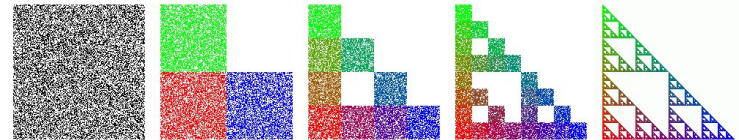
- Described by a set of  $n$  affine transformations
- In this case,  $n = 3$ 
  - translate & scale by 0.5



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## Example: Sierpinski Triangle

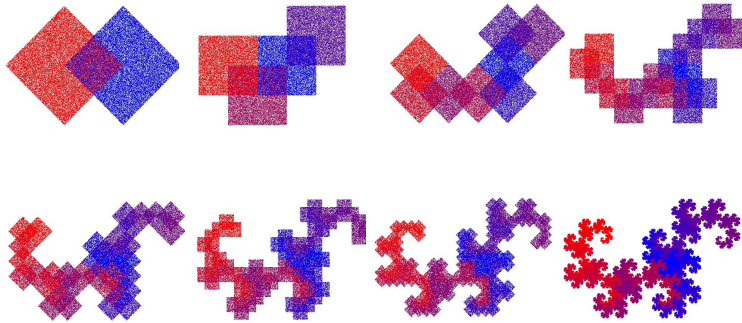
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for "lots" of random input points ( $x_0, y_0$ )
  for j=0 to num_iters
    randomly pick one of the transformations
    ( $x_{k+1}, y_{k+1}$ ) =  $f_i(x_k, y_k)$ 
  display ( $x_k, y_k$ )
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Increasing the number of iterations

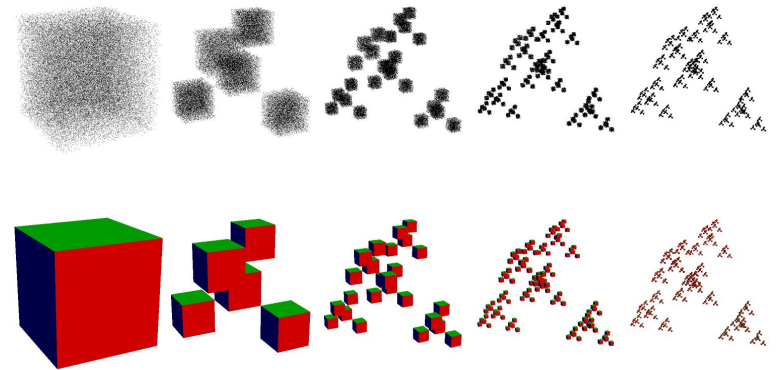
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## Another IFS: The Dragon



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## 3D IFS in OpenGL



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## Assignment 0: OpenGL Warmup

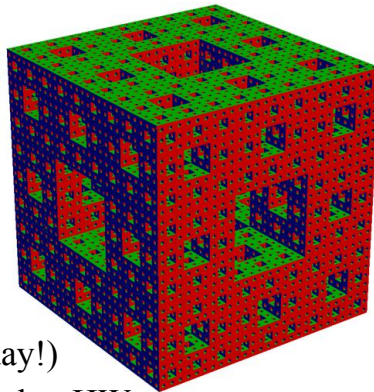
- Get familiar with:

- C++ environment
- OpenGL
- Transformations
- simple Vector & Matrix classes

- Have Fun!

- Due ASAP (start it today!)

- $\frac{1}{4}$  of the points of the other HWs  
(*but you should still do it and submit it!*)



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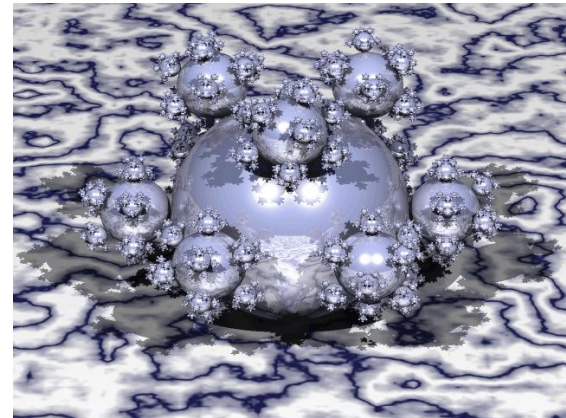


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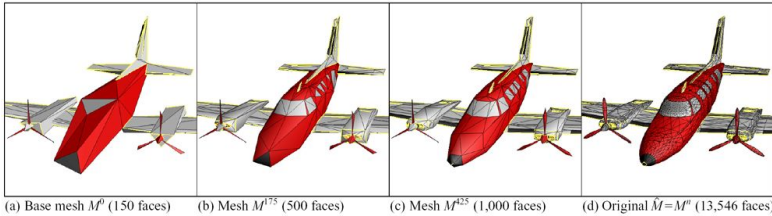
## For Next Time:

Volunteer to be “Discussant”?

*Note: This is not a “presentation”.*

*Be sure to read blurb (& linked webpage) on course webpage about Assigned Readings & Discussants.*

- Read Hugues Hoppe “Progressive Meshes” SIGGRAPH 1996
- Post a comment or question on the course WebCT/LMS discussion by 10am on Friday



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## Questions to think about:

- How do we represent meshes?
- How to automatically decide what parts of the mesh are important / worth preserving?
- Algorithm performance: memory, speed?
- What were the original target applications?  
Are those applications still valid?  
Are there other modern applications that can leverage this technique?