



## Building Models

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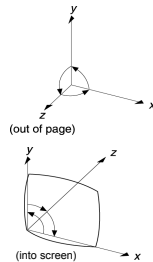
## Objectives

- Introduce simple data structures for building polygonal models
  - Vertex lists
  - Edge lists



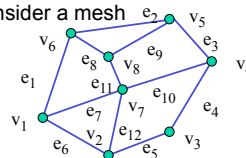
## Representation of 3D Transformations

- Z axis represents depth
- Right Handed System
  - When looking "down" at the origin, positive rotation is CCW
- Left Handed System
  - When looking "down", positive rotation is in CW
  - More natural interpretation for displays, big z means "far"



## Representing a Mesh

- Consider a mesh
  - 8 nodes and 12 edges
  - 5 interior polygons
  - 6 interior (shared) edges
  - Each vertex has a location  $v_i = (x_i, y_i, z_i)$



## Simple Representation

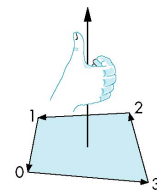
- Define each polygon by the geometric locations of its vertices
- Leads to OpenGL code such as
 

```
vertex[i] = vec3(x1, y1, z1);
vertex[i+1] = vec3(x6, y6, z6);
vertex[i+2] = vec3(x7, y7, z7);
i+=3;
```
- Inefficient and unstructured
  - Consider moving a vertex to a new location
  - Must search for all occurrences



## Inward and Outward Facing Polygons

- The order  $\{v_1, v_6, v_7\}$  and  $\{v_6, v_7, v_1\}$  are equivalent in that the same polygon will be rendered by OpenGL but the order  $\{v_1, v_7, v_6\}$  is different
- The first two describe *outwardly facing* polygons
- Use the *right-hand rule* = counter-clockwise encirclement of outward-pointing normal
- OpenGL can treat inward and outward facing polygons differently





## Geometry vs Topology

- Generally it is a good idea to look for data structures that separate the geometry from the topology
  - Geometry: locations of the vertices
  - Topology: organization of the vertices and edges
  - Example: a polygon is an ordered list of vertices with an edge connecting successive pairs of vertices and the last to the first
  - Topology holds even if geometry changes

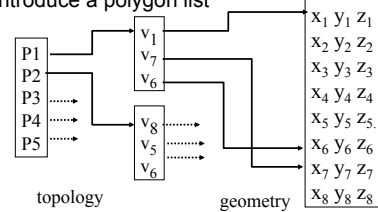
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## Vertex Lists

- Put the geometry in an array
- Use pointers from the vertices into this array
- Introduce a polygon list



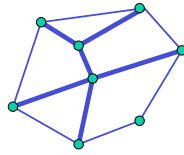
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## Shared Edges

- Vertex lists will draw filled polygons correctly but if we draw the polygon by its edges, shared edges are drawn twice



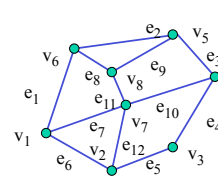
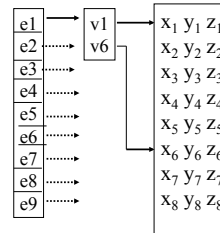
- Can store mesh by *edge list*

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## Edge List



Note polygons are not represented

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## Rotating Cube

- Full example
- Model Colored Cube
- Use 3 button mouse to change direction of rotation
- Use idle function to increment angle of rotation

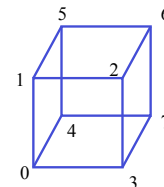
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## Draw cube from faces


```
void colorcube ( )
{
    quad ( 1, 0, 3, 2 );
    quad ( 2, 3, 7, 6 );
    quad ( 3, 0, 4, 7 );
    quad ( 6, 5, 1, 2 );
    quad ( 4, 5, 6, 7 );
    quad ( 5, 4, 0, 1 );
}
```



Note that vertices are ordered so that we obtain correct outward facing normals

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 **Cube Vertices**


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```

// Vertices of a unit cube centered at origin
// sides aligned with axes
point4 vertices[8] = {
    point4( -0.5, -0.5, 0.5, 1.0 ),
    point4( -0.5, 0.5, 0.5, 1.0 ),
    point4( 0.5, 0.5, 0.5, 1.0 ),
    point4( 0.5, -0.5, 0.5, 1.0 ),
    point4( -0.5, -0.5, -0.5, 1.0 ),
    point4( -0.5, 0.5, -0.5, 1.0 ),
    point4( 0.5, 0.5, -0.5, 1.0 ),
    point4( 0.5, -0.5, -0.5, 1.0 )
};

```

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 **Colors**


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```

// RGBA colors
color4 vertex_colors[8] = {
    color4( 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 1.0 ), // black
    color4( 1.0, 0.0, 0.0, 1.0 ), // red
    color4( 1.0, 1.0, 0.0, 1.0 ), // yellow
    color4( 0.0, 1.0, 0.0, 1.0 ), // green
    color4( 0.0, 0.0, 1.0, 1.0 ), // blue
    color4( 1.0, 0.0, 1.0, 1.0 ), // magenta
    color4( 1.0, 1.0, 1.0, 1.0 ), // white
    color4( 0.0, 1.0, 1.0, 1.0 ) // cyan
};

```

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 **Quad Function**


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```

// quad generates two triangles for each face and assigns colors
// to the vertices
int Index = 0;
void quad( int a, int b, int c, int d )
{
    colors[Index] = vertex_colors[a]; points[Index] = vertices[a]; Index++;
    colors[Index] = vertex_colors[b]; points[Index] = vertices[b]; Index++;
    colors[Index] = vertex_colors[c]; points[Index] = vertices[c]; Index++;
    colors[Index] = vertex_colors[a]; points[Index] = vertices[a]; Index++;
    colors[Index] = vertex_colors[c]; points[Index] = vertices[c]; Index++;
    colors[Index] = vertex_colors[d]; points[Index] = vertices[d]; Index++;
}

```

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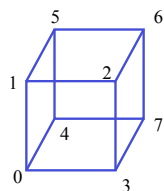
 **Color Cube**

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```

// generate 12 triangles: 36 vertices and 36 colors
void
colorcube()
{
    quad( 1, 0, 3, 2 );
    quad( 2, 3, 7, 6 );
    quad( 3, 0, 4, 7 );
    quad( 6, 5, 1, 2 );
    quad( 4, 5, 6, 7 );
    quad( 5, 4, 0, 1 );
}

```



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 **Initialization I**

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```


void
init()
{
    colorcube();

    // Create a vertex array object

    GLuint vao;
    glGenVertexArrays ( 1, &vao );
    glBindVertexArray ( vao );
}

```

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 **Initialization II**

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```

// Create and initialize a buffer object
GLuint buffer;
glGenBuffers( 1, &buffer );
glBindBuffer( GL_ARRAY_BUFFER, buffer );
glBufferData( GL_ARRAY_BUFFER, sizeof(points) +
    sizeof(colors), NULL, GL_STATIC_DRAW );
glBufferSubData( GL_ARRAY_BUFFER, 0,
    sizeof(points), points );
glBufferSubData( GL_ARRAY_BUFFER, sizeof(points),
    sizeof(colors), colors );
// Load shaders and use the resulting shader program
GLuint program = InitShader( "vshdrcube.gls!", "fshdrcube.gls!" );
glUseProgram( program );

```

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## Initialization III

```
// set up vertex arrays
GLuint vPosition = glGetAttribLocation( program, "vPosition" );
glEnableVertexAttribArray( vPosition );
glVertexAttribPointer( vPosition, 4, GL_FLOAT, GL_FALSE, 0,
    BUFFER_OFFSET(0) );

GLuint vColor = glGetAttribLocation( program, "vColor" );
glEnableVertexAttribArray( vColor );
glVertexAttribPointer( vColor, 4, GL_FLOAT, GL_FALSE, 0,
    BUFFER_OFFSET(sizeof(points)) );

Glint thetaLoc = glGetUniformLocation( program, "theta" );
```

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## Display Callback

```
void
display( void )
{
    glClear( GL_COLOR_BUFFER_BIT
        | GL_DEPTH_BUFFER_BIT );

    glUniform3fv( thetaLoc, 1, theta );
    glDrawArrays( GL_TRIANGLES, 0, NumVertices );

    glutSwapBuffers();
}
```

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## OpenGL code

- Remember that matrices are column major order in GLSL, so ...

Transpose your matrices when sending them to the shaders!

```
glUniformMatrix4fv( matrix_loc, 1, GL_TRUE,
    model_view );
```

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## Mouse Callback

```
void
mouse( int button, int state, int x, int y )
{
    if ( state == GLUT_DOWN ) {
        switch( button ) {
            case GLUT_LEFT_BUTTON: axis = Xaxis; break;
            case GLUT_MIDDLE_BUTTON: axis = Yaxis; break;
            case GLUT_RIGHT_BUTTON: axis = Zaxis; break;
        }
    }
}
```

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## Idle Callback

```
void
idle( void )
{
    theta[axis] += 0.01;

    if ( theta[axis] > 360.0 ) {
        theta[axis] -= 360.0;
    }

    glutPostRedisplay();
}
```

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## Transforming Each Vertex

```
in vec4 vPosition, vColor;
out vec4 color;
uniform mat4 rot;

void main()
{
    gl_Position = rot * vPosition;
    color = vColor;
}
```

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**OpenGL Default View Volume**

- The default viewing volume is a box centered at the origin with sides of length 2
- $(-1,-1,-1) \rightarrow (1,1,1)$
- All geometry in box is parallel-projected into the  $z=0$  plane!
- Then rendered

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**Go to Assignment 4**

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**Assignment 4 Suggestions**

- Define cube geometry and color in `init()`
- Keyboard callback
  - Figures out how to change transformation values
  - Calculates new transformation matrix, that includes scale, rotation and translation, and sends it the GPU via a uniform variable
  - Calls `glutPostRedisplay()`
- Display function draws cube
- Vertex shader applies transformation matrix to vertices

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**Classical Viewing**

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**Objectives**

- Introduce the classical views
- Compare and contrast image formation by computer with how images have been formed by architects, artists, and engineers
- Learn the benefits and drawbacks of each type of view

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**Classical Viewing**

- Viewing requires three basic elements
  - One or more objects
  - A viewer with a projection surface
  - Projectors that go from the object(s) to the projection surface
- Classical views are based on the relationship among these elements
  - The viewer picks up the object and orients it how she would like to see it
- Each object is assumed to be constructed from flat *principal faces*
  - Buildings, polyhedra, manufactured objects

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**Planar Geometric Projections**

- Standard projections project onto a plane
- Projectors are lines that either
  - converge at a center of projection
  - are parallel
- Such projections preserve lines
  - but not necessarily angles
- Nonplanar projections are needed for applications such as map construction

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**Classical Projections**

Front elevation      Elevation oblique      Plan oblique

Isometric      One-point perspective      Three-point perspective

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**Perspective vs Parallel**

- Computer graphics treats all projections the same and implements them with a single pipeline
- Classical viewing developed different techniques for drawing each type of projection
- Fundamental distinction is between parallel and perspective viewing even though mathematically parallel viewing is the limit of perspective viewing

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**Taxonomy of Planar Geometric Projections**

```

    graph TD
      A[planar geometric projections] --> B[parallel]
      A --> C[perspective]
      B --> D[multiview orthographic]
      B --> E[axonometric]
      C --> F[1 point oblique]
      C --> G[2 point]
      C --> H[3 point]
      E --> I[isometric]
      E --> J[dimetric]
      E --> K[trimetric]
  
```

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**Perspective Projection**

Object

Projector

Projection plane

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**Parallel Projection**

Object

Projector

Projection plane

DOP

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**Orthographic Projection**

Projectors are orthogonal to projection surface

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**Multiview Orthographic Projection**

- Projection plane parallel to principal face
- Usually form front, top, side views

isometric (not multiview orthographic view)

front

side

top

in CAD and architecture, we often display three multiviews plus isometric

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**Advantages and Disadvantages**

- Preserves both distances and angles
  - Shapes preserved
  - Can be used for measurements
    - Building plans
    - Manuals
- Cannot see what object really looks like because many surfaces hidden from view
  - Often we add the isometric

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**Axonometric Projections**

Allow projection plane to move relative to object

classify by how many angles of a corner of a projected cube are the same

none: trimetric  
two: dimetric  
three: isometric

Projection plane

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**Types of Axonometric Projections**

Dimetric

Trimetric

Isometric

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**Advantages and Disadvantages**

- Lines are scaled (*foreshortened*) but can find scaling factors
- Lines preserved but angles are not
  - Projection of a circle in a plane not parallel to the projection plane is an ellipse
- Can see three principal faces of a box-like object
- Some optical illusions possible
  - Parallel lines appear to diverge
- Does not look real because far objects are scaled the same as near objects
- Used in CAD applications

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**Oblique Projection**

Arbitrary relationship between projectors and projection plane

Projection plane

Projection plane

Projection plane

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**Advantages and Disadvantages**

- Can pick the angles to emphasize a particular face
  - Architecture: plan oblique, elevation oblique
- Angles in faces parallel to projection plane are preserved while we can still see “around” side

- In physical world, cannot create with simple camera; possible with bellows camera or special lens (architectural)

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**Perspective Projection**

Projectors converge at center of projection

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**Vanishing Points**

- Parallel lines (not parallel to the projection plan) on the object converge at a single point in the projection (the *vanishing point*)
- Drawing simple perspectives by hand uses these vanishing point(s)

vanishing point

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**Three-Point Perspective**

- No principal face parallel to projection plane
- Three vanishing points for cube

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**Two-Point Perspective**

- One principal direction parallel to projection plane
- Two vanishing points for cube

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## One-Point Perspective

- One principal face parallel to projection plane
- One vanishing point for cube



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## Advantages and Disadvantages

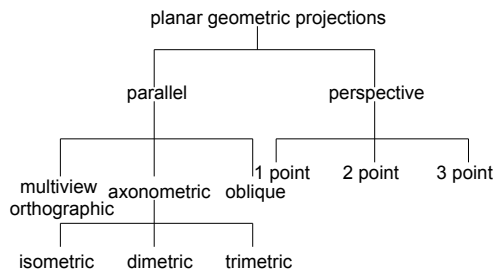
- Objects further from viewer are projected smaller than the same sized objects closer to the viewer (*diminution*)
  - Looks realistic
- Equal distances along a line are not projected into equal distances (*nonuniform foreshortening*)
- Angles preserved only in planes parallel to the projection plane
- More difficult to construct by hand than parallel projections (but not more difficult by computer)

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## Taxonomy of Planar Geometric Projections



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