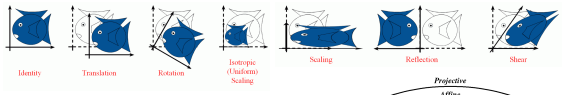
Transformations in Ray Tracing

Linear Algebra Review Session

- Tonight!
- Room 2-139
- 7:30 – 9 PM

Last Time:

- Simple Transformations



- Classes of Transformations
- Representation
  - homogeneous coordinates
- Composition
  - not commutative

$$\begin{bmatrix} x' \\ y' \\ z' \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a & b & c & d \\ e & f & g & h \\ i & j & k & l \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

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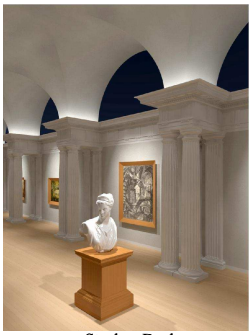
- Motivations
- Transformations in Modeling
- Adding Transformations to our Ray Tracer
- Constructive Solid Geometry (CSG)
- Assignment 2

Modeling

- Create / acquire objects
- Placing objects
- Placing lights
- Describe materials
- Choose camera position and camera parameters
- Specify animation
- ....



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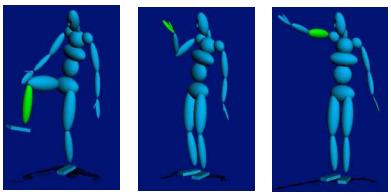
Transformations in Modeling

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



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  - Scene description
  - Class Hierarchy
  - Transformations in the Hierarchy
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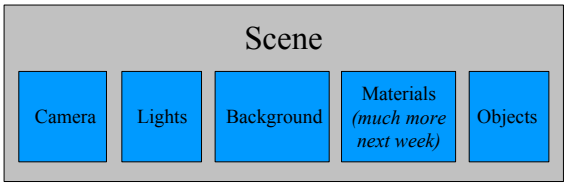
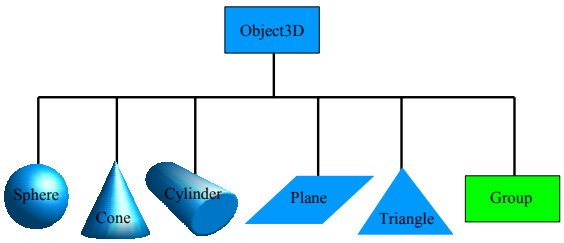
Scene Description



Simple Scene Description File

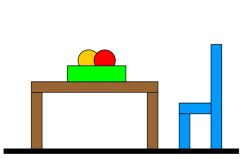
```
OrthographicCamera {
    center 0 0 10
    direction 0 0 -1
    up 0 1 0
    size 5  }

Lights {
    numLights 1
    DirectionalLight {
        direction -0.5 -0.5 -1
        color 1 1 1 } }

Background { color 0.2 0 0.6 }

Materials {
    numMaterials <n>
    <MATERIALS> }

Group {
    numObjects <n>
    <OBJECTS> }
```

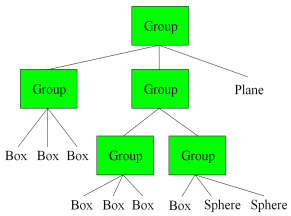
Class Hierarchy



Why is a Group an Object3D?

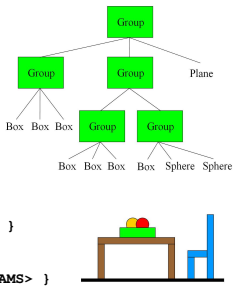
- Logical organization of scene





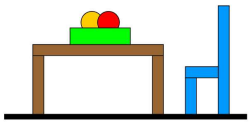
Simple Example with Groups

```
Group {
    numObjects 3
    Group {
        numObjects 3
        Box { <BOX PARAMS> }
        Box { <BOX PARAMS> }
        Box { <BOX PARAMS> } }
    Group {
        numObjects 2
        Group {
            Box { <BOX PARAMS> }
            Box { <BOX PARAMS> }
            Box { <BOX PARAMS> } }
        Group {
            Box { <BOX PARAMS> }
            Sphere { <SPHERE PARAMS> }
            Sphere { <SPHERE PARAMS> } } }
    Plane { <PLANE PARAMS> } }
```



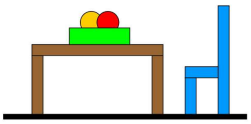
Adding Materials

```
Group {
    numObjects 3
    Group {
        numObjects 3
        Box { <BOX PARAMS> }
        Box { <BOX PARAMS> }
        Box { <BOX PARAMS> } }
    Group {
        numObjects 2
        Group {
            Box { <BOX PARAMS> }
            Box { <BOX PARAMS> }
            Box { <BOX PARAMS> } }
        Group {
            Box { <BOX PARAMS> }
            Sphere { <SPHERE PARAMS> }
            Sphere { <SPHERE PARAMS> } } }
    Plane { <PLANE PARAMS> } }
```

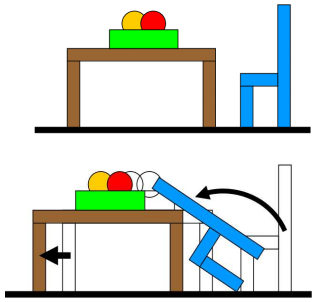


Adding Materials

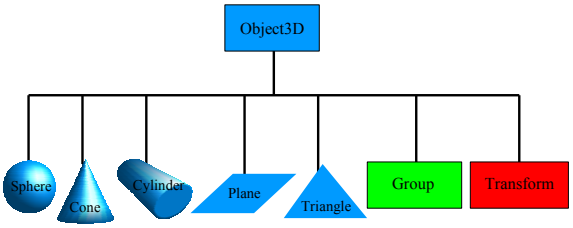
```
Group {
    numObjects 3
    Material { <BROWN> }
    Group {
        numObjects 3
        Box { <BOX PARAMS> }
        Box { <BOX PARAMS> }
        Box { <BOX PARAMS> } }
    Group {
        numObjects 2
        Material { <BLUE> }
        Group {
            Box { <BOX PARAMS> }
            Box { <BOX PARAMS> }
            Box { <BOX PARAMS> } }
        Group {
            Material { <GREEN> }
            Box { <BOX PARAMS> }
            Material { <RED> }
            Sphere { <SPHERE PARAMS> }
            Material { <ORANGE> }
            Sphere { <SPHERE PARAMS> } } }
        Material { <BLACK> }
    Plane { <PLANE PARAMS> } }
```



Adding Transformations

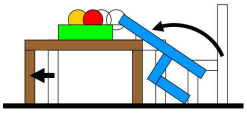


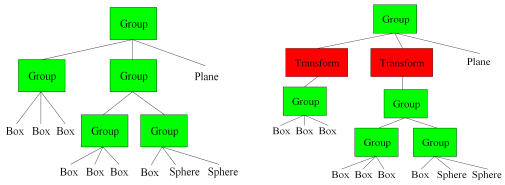
Class Hierarchy with Transformations



Why is a Transform an Object3D?

- To position the logical groupings of objects within the scene





Simple Example with Transforms

```
Group {
    numObjects 3
    Transform {
        ZRotate { 45 }
        Group {
            numObjects 3
            Box { <BOX PARAMS> }
            Box { <BOX PARAMS> }
            Box { <BOX PARAMS> } } }
    Transform {
        Translate { -2 0 0 }
        Group {
            numObjects 2
            Group {
                Box { <BOX PARAMS> }
                Box { <BOX PARAMS> }
                Box { <BOX PARAMS> } }
            Group {
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                Sphere { <SPHERE PARAMS> }
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    Plane { <PLANE PARAMS> } }
```

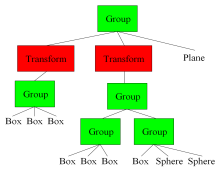

Nested Transforms

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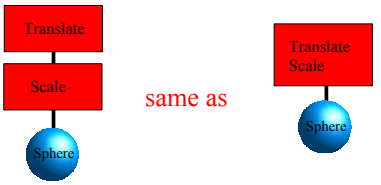


```
Transform {
    Translate { 1 0.5 0 }
    Transform {
        Scale { 2 2 2 }
        Sphere {
            center 0 0 0
            radius 1 } } }
```

```
Transform {
    Translate { 1 0.5 0 }
    Scale { 2 2 2 }
    Sphere {
        center 0 0 0
        radius 1 } }
```

Questions?

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- Motivations
- Transformations in Modeling
- Adding Transformations to our Ray Tracer
  - Transforming the Ray
  - Handling the depth, *t*
  - Transforming the Normal
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Incorporating Transforms

1. Make each primitive handle any applied transformations

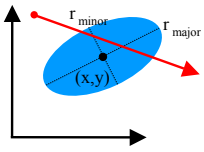
```
Sphere {
    center 1 0.5 0
    radius 2
}
```

2. Transform the Rays

```
Transform {
    Translate { 1 0.5 0 }
    Scale { 2 2 2 }
    Sphere {
        center 0 0 0
        radius 1
    }
}
```


Primitives handle Transforms

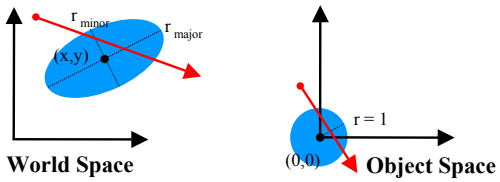
```
Sphere {
    center 3 2 0
    z_rotation 30
    r_major 2
    r_minor 1
}
```



- Complicated for many primitives

Transform the Ray

- Move the ray from *World Space* to *Object Space*

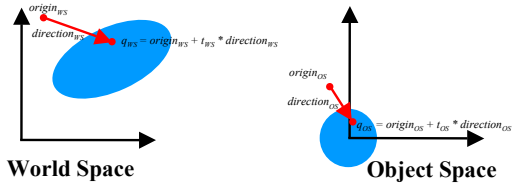


$$p_{WS} = \mathbf{M}\ p_{OS}$$

$$p_{OS} = \mathbf{M^{-1}}\ p_{WS}$$

Transform Ray

- New origin:
  $origin_{OS} = \mathbf{M}^{-1}\, origin_{WS}$
- New direction:
  $direction_{OS} = \mathbf{M}^{-1}\,(origin_{WS} + 1 * direction_{WS}) \;-\; \mathbf{M}^{-1}\, origin_{WS}$
  $direction_{OS} = \mathbf{M}^{-1}\, direction_{WS}$



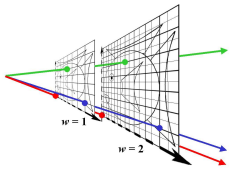
Transforming Points & Directions

- Transform point

$$\begin{bmatrix} x' \\ y' \\ z' \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a & b & c & d \\ e & f & g & h \\ i & j & k & l \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} ax+by+cz+d \\ ex+fy+gz+h \\ ix+jy+kz+l \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

- Transform direction

$$\begin{bmatrix} x' \\ y' \\ z' \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a & b & c & d \\ e & f & g & h \\ i & j & k & l \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} ax+by+cz \\ ex+fy+gz \\ ix+jy+kz \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$



Homogeneous Coordinates: *(x,y,z,w)*
W = 0 is a point at infinity (direction)

What to do about the depth, *t*

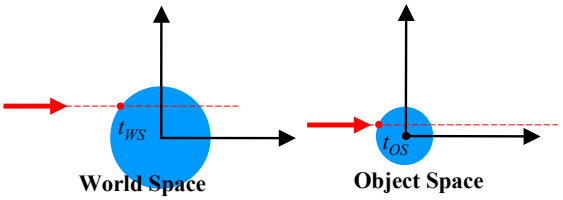
If **M** includes scaling, $direction_{OS}$ will NOT be normalized

1. Normalize the direction

2. Don't normalize the direction

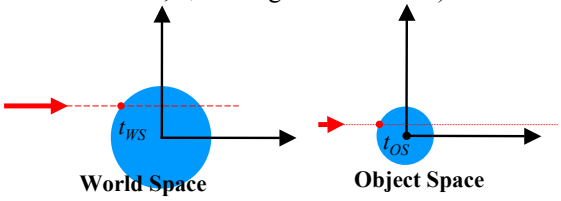
1. Normalize direction

- $t_{OS} \neq t_{WS}$
  and must be rescaled after intersection



2. Don't normalize direction

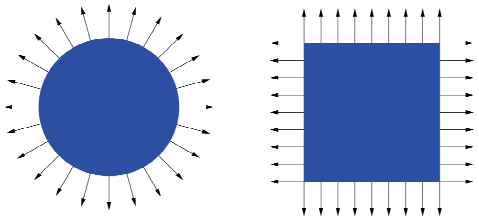
- $t_{OS} = t_{WS}$
- Don't rely on t_{OS} being true distance during intersection routines (e.g. geometric ray-sphere intersection, a≠1 in algebraic solution)



Questions?

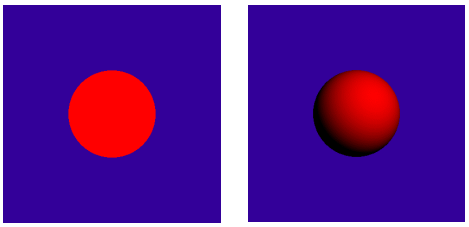
New component of the Hit class

- Surface Normal: unit vector that is locally perpendicular to the surface



Why is the Normal important?

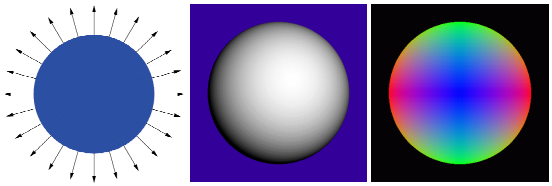
- It's used for shading — makes things look 3D!



object color only (Assignment 1)

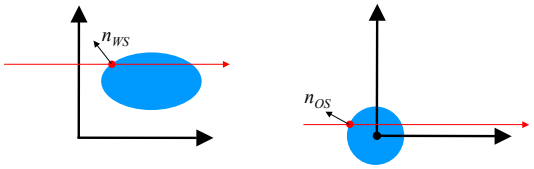
Diffuse Shading (Assignment 2)

Visualization of Surface Normal



$\pm x$ = Red
$\pm y$ = Green
$\pm z$ = Blue

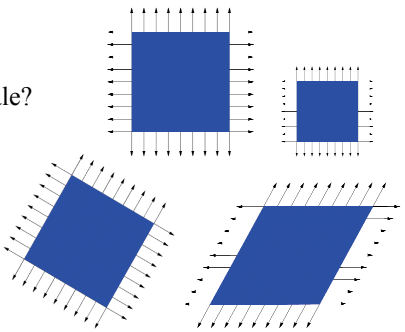
How do we transform normals?



World Space **Object Space**

Transform the Normal like the Ray?

- translation?
- rotation?
- isotropic scale?
- scale?
- reflection?
- shear?
- perspective?



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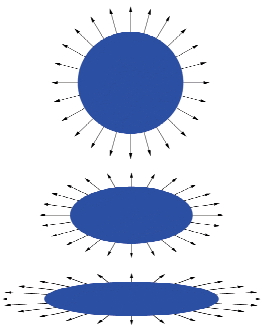
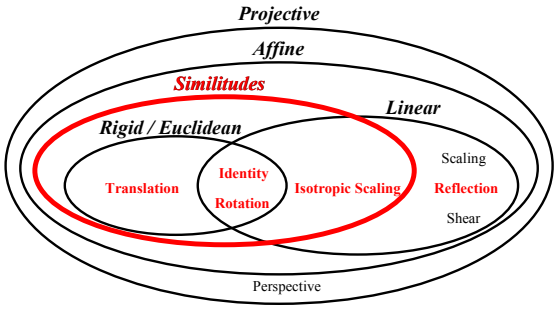
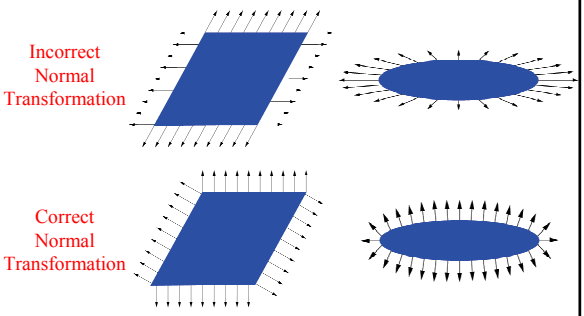


What class of transforms?

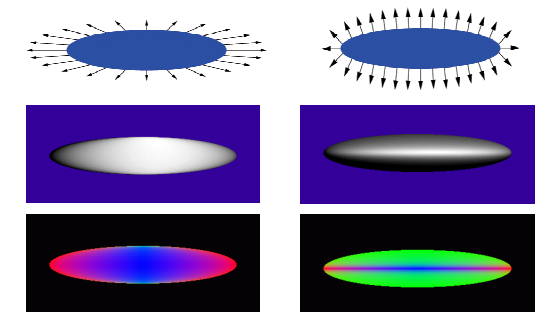


a.k.a. Orthogonal Transforms

Transformation for shear and scale



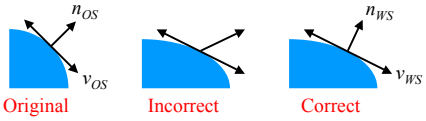
More Normal Visualizations



Incorrect Normal Transformation Correct Normal Transformation

So how do we do it right?

- Think about transforming the *tangent plane* to the normal, not the normal *vector*



Pick any vector v_{OS} in the tangent plane, how is it transformed by matrix **M**?

$$v_{WS} = \mathbf{M}\ v_{OS}$$

Transform tangent vector *v*

v is perpendicular to normal *n*:

$$n_{OS}^{\mathbf{T}}\ v_{OS} = 0$$
$$n_{OS}^{\mathbf{T}}\ (\mathbf{M}^{-1}\ \mathbf{M})\ v_{OS} = 0$$
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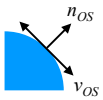
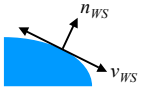


v_{WS} is perpendicular to normal n_{WS}:



$$n_{WS}^{\mathbf{T}} = n_{OS}\ (\mathbf{M}^{-1})$$
$$n_{WS} = (\mathbf{M}^{-1})^{\mathbf{T}}\ n_{OS}$$
$$n_{WS}^{\mathbf{T}}\ v_{WS} = 0$$

Comment

- So the correct way to transform normals is:

$$n_{WS} = (\mathbf{M}^{-1})^{\mathbf{T}}\ n_{OS}$$

- But why did $n_{WS} = \mathbf{M}\ n_{OS}$ work for similitudes?
- Because for similitude / similarity transforms,

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

- e.g. for orthonormal basis:

$$\mathbf{M} = \begin{pmatrix} u_x & u_y & u_z \\ v_x & v_y & v_z \\ n_x & n_y & n_z \end{pmatrix} \qquad \mathbf{M}^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} x_u & x_v & x_n \\ y_u & y_v & y_n \\ z_u & z_v & z_n \end{pmatrix}$$

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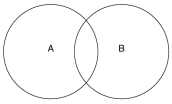
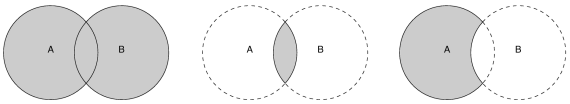
Constructive Solid Geometry (CSG)

Given overlapping shapes A and B:



Union Intersection Subtraction



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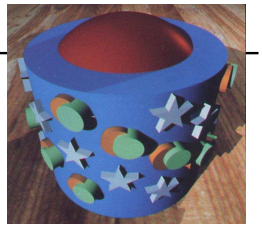
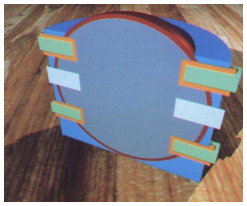
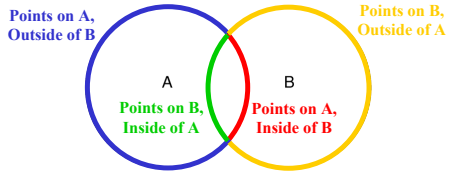




How can we implement CSG?



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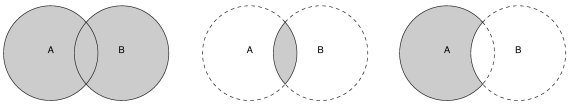
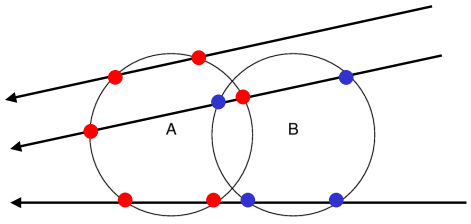


Collect all the intersections



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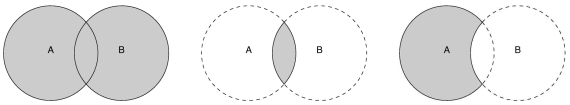
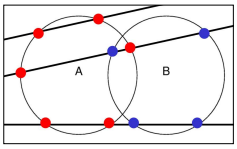
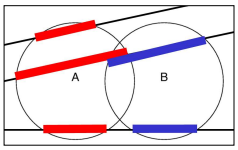


Implementing CSG

1. Test "inside" intersections:
   - Find intersections with A, test if they are inside/outside B
   - Find intersections with B, test if they are inside/outside A



2. Overlapping intervals:
   - Find the intervals of "inside" along the ray for A and B
   - Compute union/intersection/subtraction of the intervals



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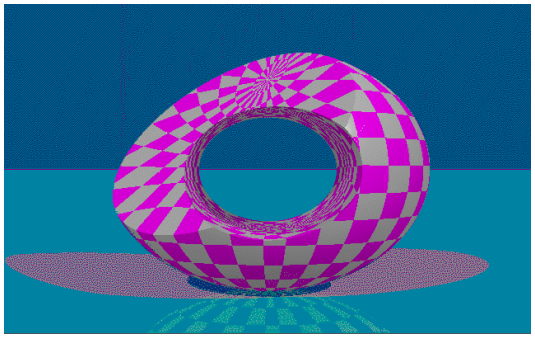


Questions?

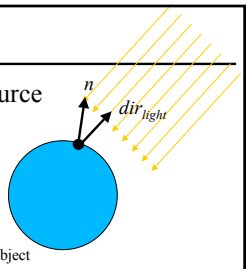
Today

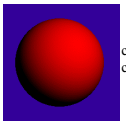
- Motivations
- Transformations in Modeling
- World Space vs Object Space
- Adding Transformations to our Ray Tracer
- Constructive Solid Geometry (CSG)
- Assignment 2
  - Due Wednesday Sept 24th, 11:59pm

Simple Shading

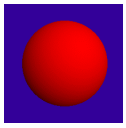
- Single Directional Light Source
- Diffuse Shading
- Ambient Light

$$c_{pixel} = c_{ambient} * c_{object} + dir_{light} \bullet n * c_{light} * c_{object}$$



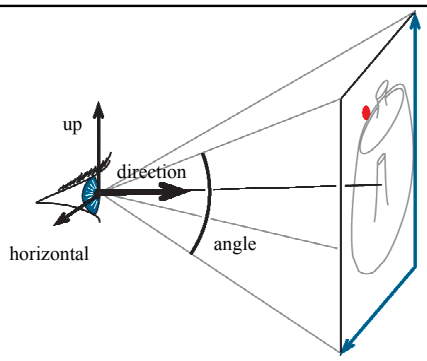


$c_{light} = (1,1,1)$
$c_{ambient} = (0,0,0)$



$c_{light} = (0.5,0.5,0.5)$
$c_{ambient} = (0.5,0.5,0.5)$

Adding Perspective Camera



Triangle Meshes (.obj)

vertices

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v -1 -1 -1
v  1 -1 -1
v -1  1 -1
v  1  1 -1
v -1 -1  1
v  1 -1  1
v -1  1  1
v  1  1  1
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triangles

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f 1 3 4
f 1 4 2
f 5 6 8
f 5 8 7
f 1 2 6
f 1 6 5
f 3 7 8
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f 1 7 3
f 2 4 8
f 2 8 6
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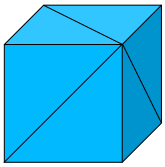
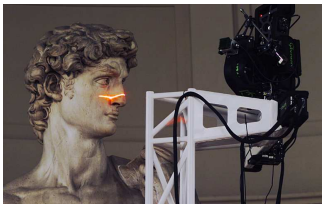


Acquiring Geometry

- 3D Scanning



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Cyberware

Next Week:

Ray Tracing
Surface reflectance