

# Lecture 04: Viewing (Chapter 8, 10)

## I. Recall the viewing pipeline

Model  $\rightarrow$  World  $\rightarrow$  Viewing  $\rightarrow$  Normalized  $\rightarrow$  Device

A. Viewing is concerned w/ last 3 portions of the pipeline. Moreover, it concerns itself w/ which primitives are viewable and therefore should be rendered

B. Lesson: more primitives = lag in framerate. So if we call line obj or fill obj on something we can't see from our viewing transform this slows our app. significantly.

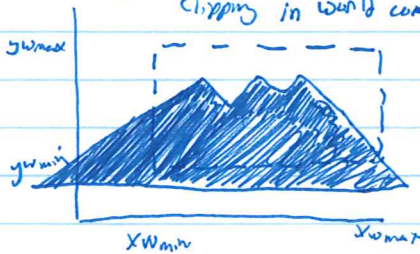
C. Problems: (1) How to do transforms (2) How to decide what is viewable.

## II. Two-Dimensional Viewing (Chapter 8)

### A. Two-Dimensional Viewing terms

- i. Clipping window - section of 2D world (scene) selected for display
- ii. Clipping - Procedurally eliminating portions of a picture that are <sup>inside</sup> outside a specified region of space. Usually a rectangle is considered as the region
- iii. Viewport - portion in window to display contents of clipping window
- iv. Clipping says "what" we see, "view" states "where" we see it.
- v. We will consider rectangles for clipping/viewing

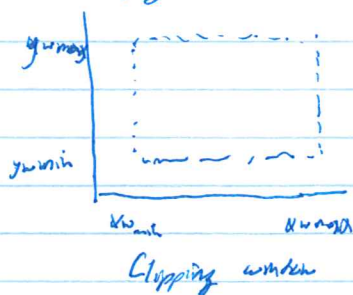
Clipping  $\Rightarrow (x_{wmin}, y_{wmin}), (x_{wmax}, y_{wmax})$  clipping in world coordinates  
 Viewing  $\Rightarrow (x_{vmin}, y_{vmin}), (x_{vmax}, y_{vmax})$  viewport in window



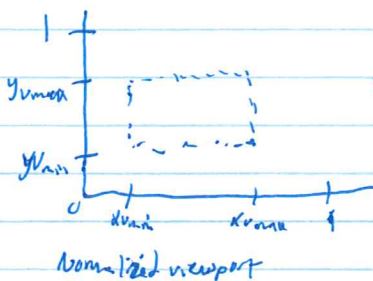
vi. In general - clipping/viewport could be any size and multiple viewports are allowed in applications, e.g. CAD. *\*Question: How could we support a region that is not axis aligned?\**  
 Also is how a menu could be made.

### B. Normalization and Viewport Transformations

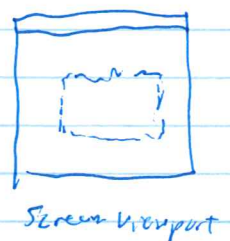
i. Clipping window to <sup>normalized</sup> viewport ~~transformation~~



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To transform any point  $(x_w, y_w)$  from clip window to viewport  $(x_v, y_v)$  the following must hold

$$\frac{x_v - x_{vmin}}{x_{vmax} - x_{vmin}} = \frac{x_w - x_{wmin}}{x_{wmax} - x_{wmin}} \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{y_v - y_{vmin}}{y_{vmax} - y_{vmin}} = \frac{y_w - y_{wmin}}{y_{wmax} - y_{wmin}}$$

Solving for  $(x_v, y_v)$  we get

$$x_v = s_x x_w + t_x \quad y_v = s_y y_w + t_y \quad \text{where}$$

$$s_x = \frac{x_{vmax} - x_{vmin}}{x_{wmax} - x_{wmin}} \quad t_x = \frac{x_{wmax} x_{vmin} - x_{wmin} x_{vmax}}{x_{wmax} - x_{wmin}}$$

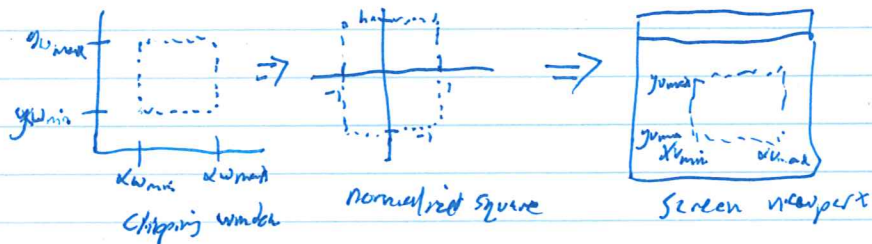
$$s_y = \frac{y_{vmax} - y_{vmin}}{y_{wmax} - y_{wmin}} \quad t_y = \frac{y_{wmax} y_{vmin} - y_{wmin} y_{vmax}}{y_{wmax} - y_{wmin}}$$

$s_x$  (1) apply scale w/ fixed point  $(x_{wmin}, y_{wmin})$  (2) Translate  $(x_{wmin}, y_{wmin})$  to  $(x_{vmin}, y_{vmin})$

$$M = TS = \begin{bmatrix} s_x & 0 & t_x \\ 0 & s_y & t_y \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

⊗ Important: Relative proportions of objects are only maintained if the aspect ratio of the viewport is the same as the clipping window

ii. Clipping window to normalized square (second approach)



essentially apply transformations from above twice. First w/ viewport as  $(-1, -1), (+1, +1)$

second w/ window as  $(-1, -1), (+1, +1)$ . Why: simplifies computations.

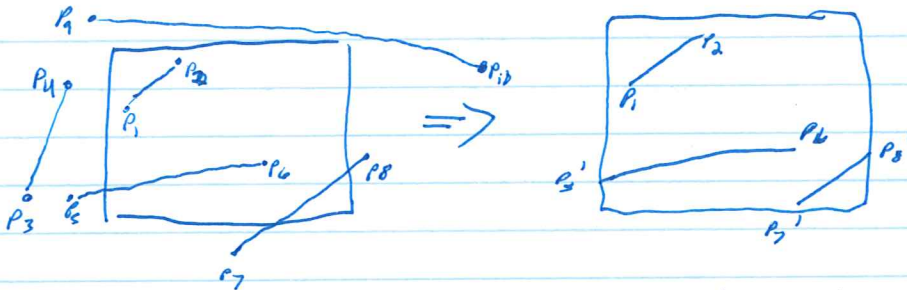
6. Point Clipping \*Ask class how to do this\*

$x_{wmin} \leq x \leq x_{wmax}$   $y_{wmin} \leq y \leq y_{wmax}$  must be satisfied, else throw away.



## D. Line Clipping.

- i. First Idea: Compute intersections of all lines w/ clipping region. \* Ask problems? slow bc intersection computation \*
- ii. Second Idea: Determine which lines are entirely inside vs outside. Only compute intersections where necessary. How? apply point test to endpoints, if both are inside then the line is inside. Otherwise it is harder to determine if completely outside. If both endpoints are outside the same boundary it is outside.



To determine intersections use parametric form of line  

$$x = x_0 + u \Delta x \quad y = y_0 + u \Delta y \quad 0 \leq u \leq 1$$

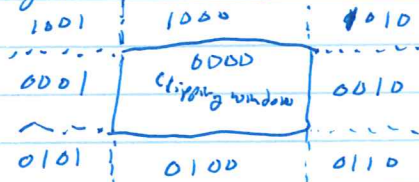
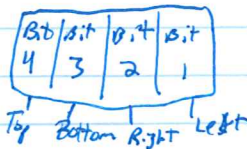
Substitute boundary into one equation and solve for  $u$ . If  $u$  is outside  $[0, 1]$  the line does not intersect that border, otherwise part of the line is inside. Continue on all borders

However, still slow and poorly formulated.

\* inside outside is determined

### iii. Cohen-Sutherland Line Clipping

- a. First every endpoint is assigned a 4-bit region code. A 1 bit is outside 0 is inside



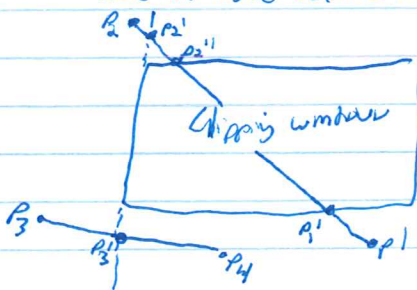
Bit values are assigned using the sign of the difference to the boundary instead of inequality testing.  $\text{sign}(x - x_{\text{min}})$

- b. Inside-outside check - if both points are in 0000 it is completely inside, if any bit is 1 in both it is completely outside. Can do through bit operations.

Logical or results in 0000  $\rightarrow$  inside

Logical and results in not(0000) i.e. true  $\rightarrow$  outside

- c. Clipping proceed to check borders (if a time if bit codes are different on endpoints we compute intersection point, throw away outside portion, retest the ~~line~~ <sup>new endpoint</sup> and line on inside outside check, Repeat for all boundaries



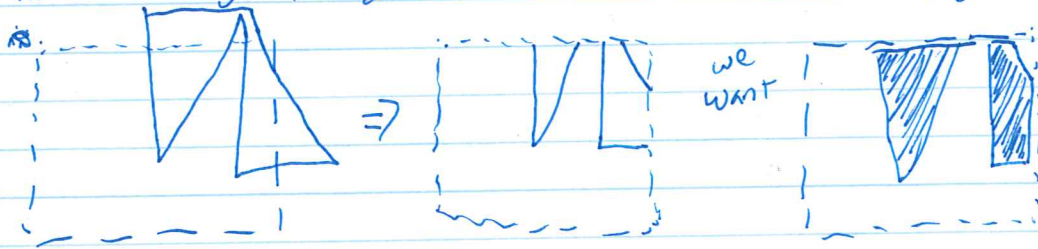
$P_3 - P_4$  - clip to  $P_3'$  then both outside

$P_5 - P_1$  clip to  $P_5'$  clip to  $P_5'P_1'$  clip to  $P_5''P_1'$  then both inside.

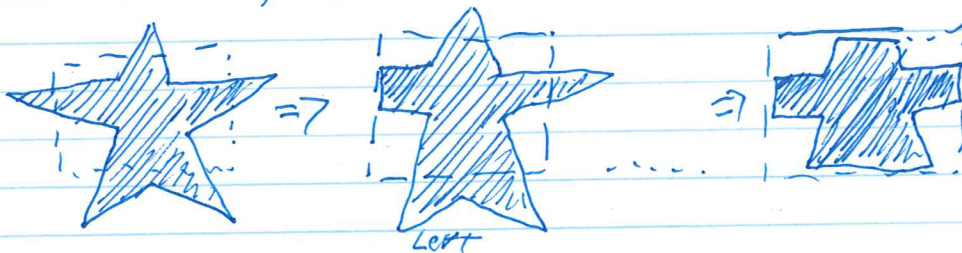
- d. Faster algs exist but outside scope of lecture.

## E. Polygon-fill Clipping

i. Cannot simply clip edges because result would not be closed polyline



ii. Can progressively clip polygon ~~edges~~ and determine if it is entirely inside/outside



iii. Basic idea - Create new vertex list at each clipping boundary. Pass new vertex list to next clipper.

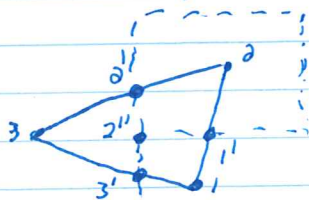
iv. Sutherland-Hodgman Polygon Clipping

a. Basic Idea - send pair of endpoints for each segment through clipper. Send successive pair of coordinates to next clipper. 4 cases arise based on inside-outside of endpoints. ~~space~~

b. Rules to pass ~~vertices~~ <sup>vertices</sup> on:

1. if first vertex is outside and second is inside, then send both intersection point and second vertex
2. if both are inside, then send the second
3. if first is inside and second is outside, <sup>plus</sup> send only the intersection point on
4. if both are outside, send ~~not~~ vertices on

c. Example



d. ~~Discussion~~ <sup>Discussion</sup> - parallelizable  
only one output poly  
extraneous lines



Input edge  $\rightarrow$  left  $\rightarrow$  right  $\rightarrow$  Bottom  $\rightarrow$  top

$(1, 2)$	$in/in \rightarrow \{2\}$	$\{1, 2\}: in/in \rightarrow \{2\}$	$\{1, 3\}: in/out \rightarrow \{2''\}$	$\{2', 1\}: in/in \rightarrow \{2'\}$
$\{2, 3\}$	$in/out \rightarrow \{2\}$	$\{2, 3\}: in/in \rightarrow \{3\}$	$\{3, 1\}: out/out \rightarrow \{\}$	$\{1, 2\}: in/in \rightarrow \{2\}$
$\{3, 1\}$	$out/in \rightarrow \{3', 1\}$	$\{3, 1\}: in/in \rightarrow \{1\}$	$\{1, 2\}: out/in \rightarrow \{1', 2\}$	$\{2, 2'\}: in/in \rightarrow \{2'\}$
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## V. Weiler-Atkinson Polygon Clipping

a. Basic idea - trace polygon boundary to produce clipped fill region

b. In a clockwise order

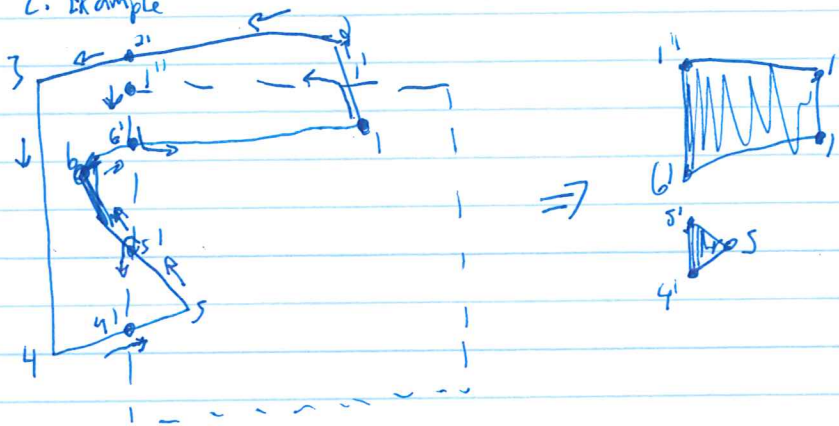
1. Process until in/out is found. Complete intersection point

2. Follow window boundaries until another intersection point is met. Continue until a previously processed point is met.

3. Form vertex list

4. Return to exit point, continue processing edges until all regions found

c. Example



F. Can also clip curves, text, other regions, etc.

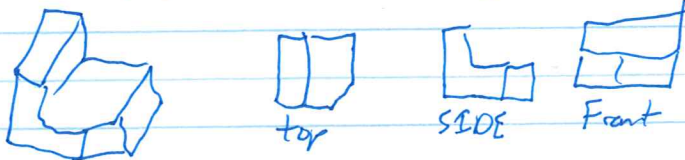
## III. 3D Viewing. (chapter 10)

### A. Viewing concepts

i. Camera - we first need a coordinate reference frame for viewing. It defines a view plane

ii. We have choice in projections

a. Parallel projection - used in drafting/CAD, parallel lines stay parallel



b. Perspective projection - lines converge in distance. Mimics reality

iii. Depth cueing - need to know what is front/back of an object. Closer lines appear brighter or more intense

iv. Visible object detection - depth relationships of an object being in front (ch. 16)

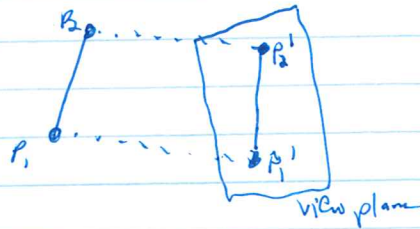
v. Surface rendering - lighting/detailing surfaces (ch. 17)

vi. more such as stereoscopic viewing for 3D glasses





E. Orthogonal Projections - transform of objects along parallel lines to view plane



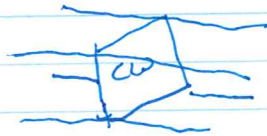
(Recall we have oriented our camera)

- i. Axonometric - display more than one face
- Isometric - axonometric such that view plane intersects each coordinate axis at the same distance from the origin
- ii. Orthogonal Projection Coordinates
  - a. Direction of projection is parallel to  $Z_{view}$  axis, so it is trivial
  - b. projection

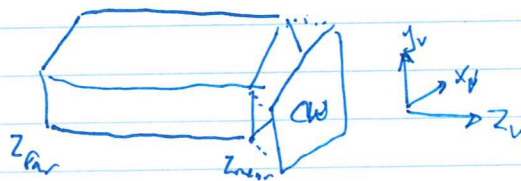
$$x_p = x \quad y_p = y \quad z \text{ is preserved for visibility}$$

iii. Orthogonal projection view volume is

- a. sides of clipping window define infinite region of clipping



- b. We specify near-far clipping planes to limit extent. Since direction is negative  $Z_{view}$  axis  $Z_{far} < Z_{near}$
- c. Shape is rectangular parallelepiped



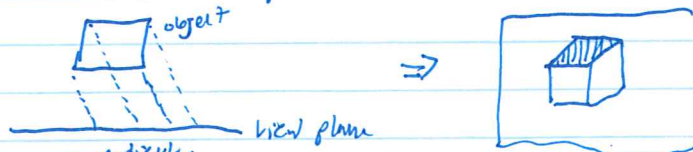
iv. Normalization transformation - transfer to symmetric cube  $(-1,1)$  for clipping

$$M_{ortho, norm} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{2}{x_{wmax} - x_{wmin}} & 0 & 0 & -\frac{x_{wmax} + x_{wmin}}{x_{wmax} - x_{wmin}} \\ 0 & \frac{2}{y_{wmax} - y_{wmin}} & 0 & -\frac{y_{wmax} + y_{wmin}}{y_{wmax} - y_{wmin}} \\ 0 & 0 & \frac{-2}{z_{near} - z_{far}} & \frac{z_{near} + z_{far}}{z_{near} - z_{far}} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

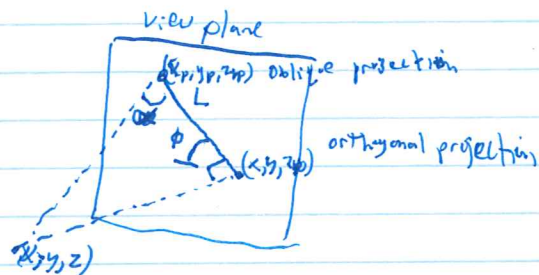
$z$  is negative to flip to left handed coordinates. Other words:  $z_{near}$  needs to be  $-1$

multiply on right of model-view transformation, then can apply to object all at once.

F. Oblique Parallel Projection - parallel lines in a direction relative to view plane



When it isn't ~~perpendicular~~ to view plane it is called an oblique parallel projection.  
 For combined Top, front, side view  
 i. specification - need two angles  $\alpha, \phi$

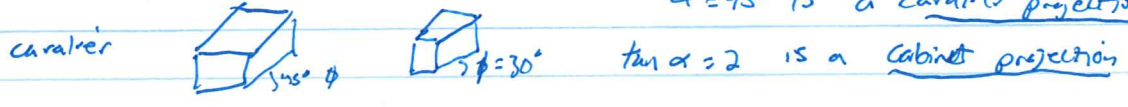


$L$  - length of view plane line  
 $(x_p, y_p, z_p) \rightarrow (x, y, z_p)$   
 $\alpha$  - intersection angle  
 or  
 $(x, y, z) \rightarrow (x_p, y_p, z_p)$  with  $(x_p, y_p, z_p) \rightarrow (x, y, z_p)$   
 $\phi$  - angle of line from horizontal

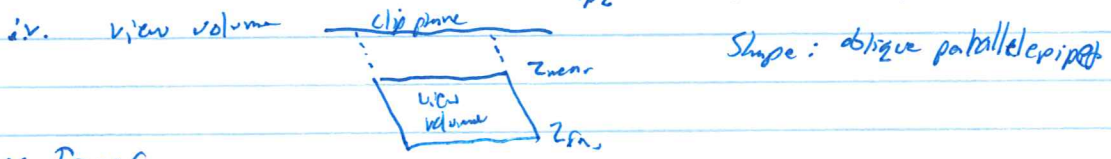
So  $x_p = x + L \cos \phi$      $y_p = y + L \sin \phi$     } represents Shearing projection  
 $\tan \alpha = \frac{z_{up} - z}{L}$      $L = \cot \alpha (z_{up} - z)$

an orthogonal projection has  $\alpha = 90^\circ$

iii. Types -  $\phi$  is usually  $30^\circ$  or  $45^\circ$      $\tan \alpha$  is either 1 or 2.  
 $\alpha = 45^\circ$  is a  Cavalier projection.



iiii. Easier specification - parallel projection vector  $\vec{V}_p$   
 we can derive  $x_p = x + (z_{up} - z) \frac{V_{px}}{V_{pz}}$      $y_p = y + (z_{up} - z) \frac{V_{py}}{V_{pz}}$



v. Transform

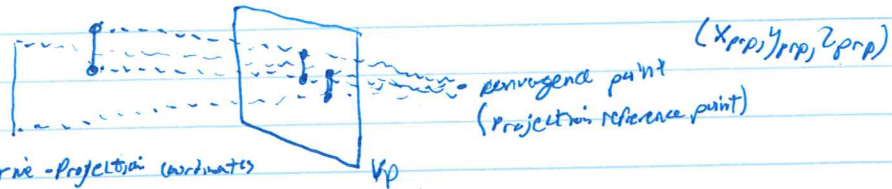
Moblique = 
$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -\frac{V_{px}}{V_{pz}} & z_{up} \frac{V_{px}}{V_{pz}} \\ 0 & 1 & -\frac{V_{py}}{V_{pz}} & z_{up} \frac{V_{py}}{V_{pz}} \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ a & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$
    \* shear \*        $z_{near}$      $z_{far}$

vii. Same mapping to normalized cube

MobliqueScreen =  $M_{orthonorm} M_{oblique}$



G. Perspective Projection - parallel lines converge, more realistic  
distant objects appear smaller



i. Perspective-Projection coordinates

$Z_{pp}$  is  $Z$  of view plane

So from perspective form of line  $0 \leq u \leq 1$

$$u = \frac{Z_{vp} - Z}{Z_{pp} - Z} \quad \text{and} \quad x_p = x \left( \frac{Z_{pp} - Z_{vp}}{Z_{pp} - Z} \right) + x_{pp} \left( \frac{Z - Z}{Z_{pp} - Z} \right)$$

$$y_p = y \left( \frac{Z_{pp} - Z_{vp}}{Z_{pp} - Z} \right) + y_{pp} \left( \frac{Z - Z}{Z_{pp} - Z} \right)$$

Problem: denominators are function of  $Z$  coordinate!

To help we can restrict reference point; e.g. by making it the coordinate origin.

\*Note\* if reference point is in front of view plane image is inverted \*



ii. View volume

a. Bounding planes are not parallel anymore, so we have an infinite rectangular pyramid



w/ near-far planes we have a frustum

iii. Perspective-Projection Transformation Matrix

a. Because of  $Z$  coordinate dependency, we can exploit homogeneous coordinates

$$x_p = \frac{x_h}{h} \quad y_p = \frac{y_h}{h} \quad \text{and } h \text{ is } Z_{pp} - Z$$

$$\text{so } x_h = x(Z_{pp} - Z) + x_{pp}(Z - Z_{vp}) \quad y_h = y(Z_{pp} - Z) + y_{pp}(Z - Z_{vp})$$

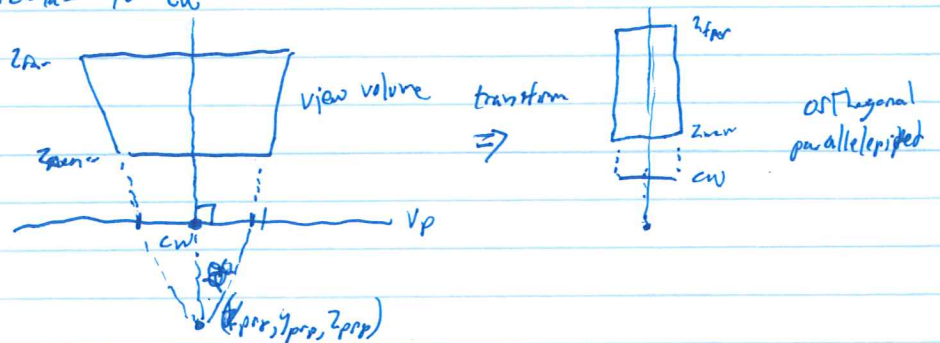
b. So  $P_h = M_{pers} P$  many choices for  $M_{pers}$  but we need one to preserve  $Z$  information.

$$M_{pers} = \begin{bmatrix} Z_{pp} - Z_{vp} & 0 & -x_{pp} & x_{pp} Z_{pp} \\ 0 & Z_{pp} - Z_{vp} & -y_{pp} & y_{pp} Z_{pp} \\ 0 & 0 & s_x & z \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & Z_{pp} \end{bmatrix}$$

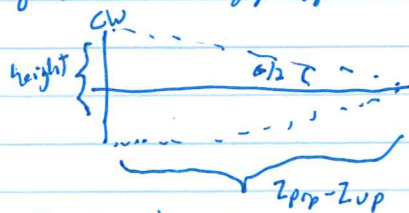
$s_x, t_x$  dependent on normalization range.

c. Converts scene to homogeneous parallel projection coordinates, i.e. an oblique projection, so we have 2 cases symmetric frustum, i.e. orthogonal, or not, i.e. oblique.

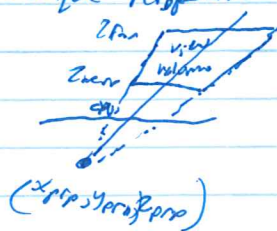
iv. Symmetric Perspective-Projection Frustum - line through center of ~~frustum~~ <sup>frustum</sup> is perpendicular to CW



- a. in this case, CW coordinates can be expressed in window coordinates
- b. We can specify by field-of-view angle + aspect ratio
- c. CW height is:  $2(z_{pp} - z_{wp}) \tan\left(\frac{\theta}{2}\right)$  and diagonal elements of matrix are updated to  $z_{pp} - z_{wp} = \frac{\text{height}/2}{\cot(\theta/2)} = \frac{\text{width} \cdot \cot(\theta/2)}{2 \cdot \text{aspect}}$



- d. After apply normalization transform
- v. Oblique Perspective-Projection Frustum



Next Shear. Simplify through fixed reference at origin.

$$M_{\text{oblique pers}} = M_{\text{pers}} M_{\text{shear}} = \begin{bmatrix} -z_{near} & 0 & \frac{x_{w_{min}} + x_{w_{max}}}{2} & 0 \\ 0 & -z_{near} & \frac{y_{w_{min}} + y_{w_{max}}}{2} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \frac{z_{near} + z_{far}}{2} & z_{near} \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

- vi. After perspective projection, divide coordinates by homogeneous parameter & frustum transformed to orthogonal parallelepiped
- a. So we need to scale x,y coordinates + determine  $s_x, t_x$
- b. Actual perspective matrix becomes

$$M_{\text{nonpersp}} = \begin{bmatrix} -d z_{near} & 0 & \frac{x_{w_{min}} + x_{w_{max}}}{2} & 0 \\ \frac{x_{w_{max}} - x_{w_{min}}}{2} & -d z_{near} & \frac{y_{w_{min}} + y_{w_{max}}}{2} & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{y_{w_{max}} - y_{w_{min}}}{2} & \frac{z_{near} + z_{far}}{2} & z_{near} \\ 0 & 0 & \frac{z_{near} - z_{far}}{2} & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

and

$$M_{\text{normsymper}} = \begin{bmatrix} \cot(\theta/2) & 0 & 0 & -1 \\ \text{aspect} & \cot(\theta/2) & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \frac{z_{near} + z_{far}}{2} & -\frac{z_{near} - z_{far}}{2} \\ 0 & 0 & \frac{z_{near} - z_{far}}{2} & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

multiply this on left of view transform then apply clipping.



H. Viewport to device transform

$$M_{\text{normview to device}} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{x_{\text{max}} - x_{\text{min}}}{2} & 0 & 0 & \frac{x_{\text{max}} + x_{\text{min}}}{2} \\ 0 & \frac{y_{\text{max}} - y_{\text{min}}}{2} & 0 & \frac{y_{\text{min}} + y_{\text{max}}}{2} \\ 0 & 0 & 1/2 & 1/2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Z coordinate is mapped to depth buffer