Perspective Projections, OpenGL Viewing, 3D Clipping

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Outline

- Perspective projections
- OpenGL Viewing
- 3D Clipping

Vanishing Points for Perspective Projections

- A point is a perspective scene where all lines not parallel to the view plane intersect is called a **vanishing point**
- When the set of lines is parallel to one of the axes then vanishing point is called a **principle vanishing point**.
- Can have 1, 2, 3 vanishing points and we can control this by the position of the projection plane

View Volume

- We can create a view volume by specifying a rectangular clipping window on the view plane.
- Bounding planes are now not parallel. Get a shape called a pyramid of vision and can truncate this by specifying near and far planes to get a frustrum.



Projection Reference Point

Perspective Projection Transformation Matrix

- Want to use our equations for xp, yp and zp of last day to get a matrix.
- Need to use homogeneous coordinates:
- Let xp = xh/h, and yp =yh/h where h =zprpz.
- Here xh and yh are obtained from x and y as
- xh = x(zprp zvp) + xprp(zvp z)
- yh = y(zprp zvp) + yprp(zvp z).

Matrix

• Now can map (x,y,z, 1) to the projected point in homogeneous coordinates (xh,yh,zh,1) with the matrix:



• Here sz and tz are scaling and translation factors to go to normalized cube

Symmetric Perspective Projection Frustrum

- The line from the projection reference point through the center of the clipping window, and through the view volume, is called the centerline.
- If this is perpendicular to the view plane then we have a **symmetric frustrum.**
- In this case, can say have a field of view angle. Have zprp -zvp = width*cot(theta/2)/2*aspect

Normalized Perspective-Projection Transformation Coordinates

• To get into our normalized cube we have already done a scaling in z axis. To get the x and y coordinates in range need to apply a scaling.

 The equations for these scalling are sx = 2/xwmax -xwmin, similar for y. sz = znear+zfar/znear-zfar
 and tz = 2*znear*zfar/(znear-zfar)

3D Screen Coordinates

- We now want to map info to screen coordinates.
- However, still want to keep z-info around (now normalized between 0 and -1), so it can be used in surface removal, etc.
- Map to viewport is thus kept as 3D and given by:



OpenGl 3D Viewing Functions

• To specify where in world coordinates to look at a scene need to enter view matrix mode:

glMatrixMode(GL_MODELVIEW);

• Then can do:

gluLookAt(x0, y0, z0, xref, yref, zref, Vx, Vy, Vz);

• The last three are the direction of view-up.

OpenGL Orthogonal Projection Function

• Must be in projection mode to set up projection matrices. So do:

glMatrixMode(GL_PROJECTION);

- To set up an orthogonal projection can do: glOrtho(xwmin, xwmax, ywmin, ywmax, dnear, dfar); each parameter is a double.
- Near plane is also the view plane.
- If dfar is 55 then point with z value < -55 clipped.
- Default parameters are -1 or 1 for each of the parameters listed above.
- No OpenGL function for oblique projections

OpenGl Symmetric Perspective-Projection Function

• The GLU function:

gluPerspective(theta, aspect, dnear, dfar); with each parameter a double sets up a symmetric, perspective projection.

- The angle can be between 0 and 180.
- The aspect specifies the width/height rations

OpenGL General Perspective Projection Function

- To specify a perspective projection can use: glFrustrum(xwmin, xwmax, ywmin, ywmax,dnear, dfar);
- Numbers are double precision floats.
- Near and far clipping distances must be positive.
- The first four parameters say the coordinates of the clipping window on near plane.
- The clipping window can be specified anywhere on the near plane. So if xwmin = -xwmax and ywmin = - ywmax then get symmetric frustrum.
- If do not invoke projection command get orthogonal projection.

OpenGL Viewports and Display Windows

 Finally setting the size of the viewport that projected points will appear in is specified in the same way as in the 2D case: glViewport(xvmin, yvmin, xvmax, yvmax);

3D Clipping

- As in the 2D case, in the 3D there are advantages to having normalized cube before clipping:
 - All device independent transformations are carried out before applying any clipping.
 - Each clip plane is parallel to one of the 3 axes regardless of the original shape of the view volume so can be optimized.
- Common choice of cubes are the **unit cube** which has extents between 0 and 1 and the **symmetric cube** has extents between -1 and 1.

Clipping in 3D Homogeneous Coordinates

- In homogeneous coordinates (x,y,z) gets converted to (x,y,z, 1).
- After all our transformations and projections might have (x_h, y_h, z_h, h) where h is not 1. (Might happen because of perspective transformation).
- If divided away the factor h, would lose precision, so this is why want to do clipping in homogeneous coordinates

3D Regions Codes

- The concept of region code used in Cohen-Sutherland clipping can be extended to 3D. Need to use a 6 bit number now for all the regions:
 - bit 6- far, bit 5 near, bit 4 top, bit 3-bottom,
 bit 2 -right, bit 1 -left
- Conditions for setting bit same as in 2D case but now have 2 extra bits to set for each point.

Assigning Bit Values

- Suppose we have a point (x,y,z,h). Then bit 1 =1 if h+x <0 bit 2 =1 if h-x < 0 bit 3 =1 if h+y <0 bit 4 = 1 if h-y <0 bit 5 = 1 if h+z <0
 - bit 6 = 1 if h-z < 0

3D Point and Line Clipping

- A point is within the view volume if its region code is 000000. So this gives us an easy way to clip points.
- For lines, we can clip the whole line if when we AND the endpoint codes we get a 1 in the same bit position. We can accept the whole line if when we OR the codes we get 000000.
- Otherwise, we need to analyze the part of the line that needs to be saved.

More line clipping

- Suppose the endpoint of our line are: P1=(x1,y1,z1,h1) and P2=(x2,y2,z2,h2).
- Can write points on line segment with P= P1+ (P2-P1)u for u between 0 and 1.
- Look for bits in the region code that are not the same. Know boundary crossed, and also in which coordinates. For example, maybe x.
- Then can solve for u to find point of intersection.
- If for instance crosed xmax = 1. Then know intersection point x/h must equal 1. So get: u=x1h/((x1-h1) - (x2-h2))

3D Polygon Clipping

- Say want to intersect a tetrahedron with our view volume.
- First check if its coordinate extents lie completely within the view volume or if its coordinates lie completely outside one of the clipping boundaries.
- If not, go through each edge in the object, clip and to obtain a new vertex lists, edge lists for the clipped object.
- Then might have to add new faces to our face list
- If object is made of triangle strips process easier as can then use Sutherland-Hodgman

3D Curve Clipping

- First check if the coordinate extents of curved object are completely inside the view volume.
- Then check if object is completely outside any one of the six clipping planes.
- If this accept/reject test fails, then we locate intesections with clipping plane.
- This involves solving simultaneous surface and clipping plane equations.
- This can be hard so polygon patches are often used to approximate curved surfaces

Arbitrary Clipping Planes

- Might also want to clip to arbitrary planes.
- Might be used for cross-sectional view.
- Can specify a plane with Ax+By+Cz+D=0
- Objects behind the plane, for instance point (x,y,z) with Ax+By+Cz+D <0 are the ones that are usually clipped.

OpenGL Optional Clipping Planes

• One can specify additional clipping planes for a scene than those of the view volume with:

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glDouble planeCoeffs[] ={1.0, 2.0, 3.0, 4.0};
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//A=1, B,=2, C=3, D =4

glClipPlane(GL_CLIP_PLANE0, planeCoeffs);

- To use this plane can use glEnable(GL_CLIP_PLANE0); and glDisable to stop using
- There are also planes 1,2... Tod find out how many use: glGetIntegerv(GL_MAX_CLIP_PLANES, numPlanes);