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Transform



"Modelview" Transformation





Projection: map 3D scene to 2D image



OpenGL Super Bible, 5th Ed.

Orthographic projection



OpenGL Orthogonal Viewing

glOrtho(left,right,bottom,top,near,far)



Perspective projection



OpenGL Perspective Viewing

glFrustum(xmin, xmax, ymin, ymax, near, far)





Clip against view volume



Hidden Surface Removal





"painter's algorithm" draw primitives in back-to-front order



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Occlusion



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> **problem**: triangle intersection

Occlusion

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> **problem**: occlusion cycle

Use a z-buffer for hidden surface removal

test depth on a pixel by pixel basis

red drawn last



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at each pixel, record distance to the closest object that has been drawn in a *depth* buffer



Use a *z-buffer* for hidden surface removal



http://www.beyond3d.com/content/articles/41/

Backface culling: another way to eliminate hidden geometry



Hidden Surface Removal in OpenGL

glutInitDisplayMode(GLUT_DOUBLE | GLUT_RGB | GLUT_DEPTH);
glEnable(GL_DEPTH_TEST);
glEnable(GL_CULL_FACE);

For a perspective transformation, there is more precision in the depth buffer for z-values closer to the near plane