

# Geometry: Cameras

Course web page:  
<http://goo.gl/EB3aA>

# Outline

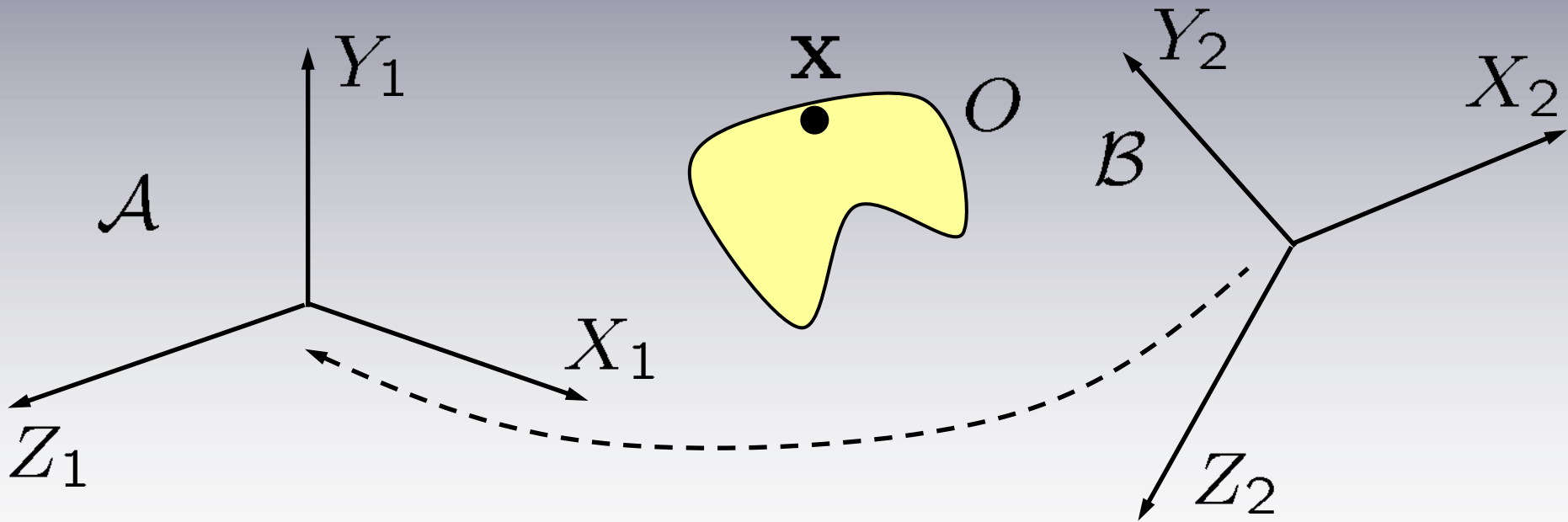
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- More 3-D transformations
  - Setting up the camera
- Projections
  - Orthographic
  - Perspective

# 3-D Transformations:

## Arbitrary Change of Coordinates

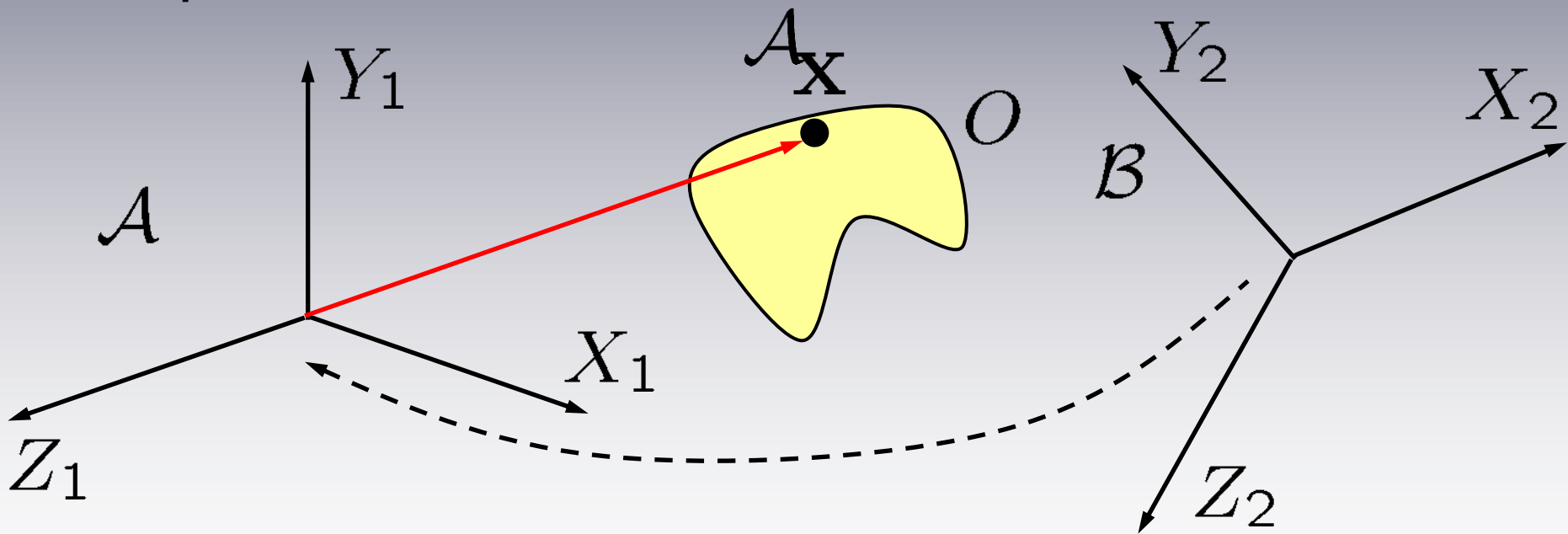
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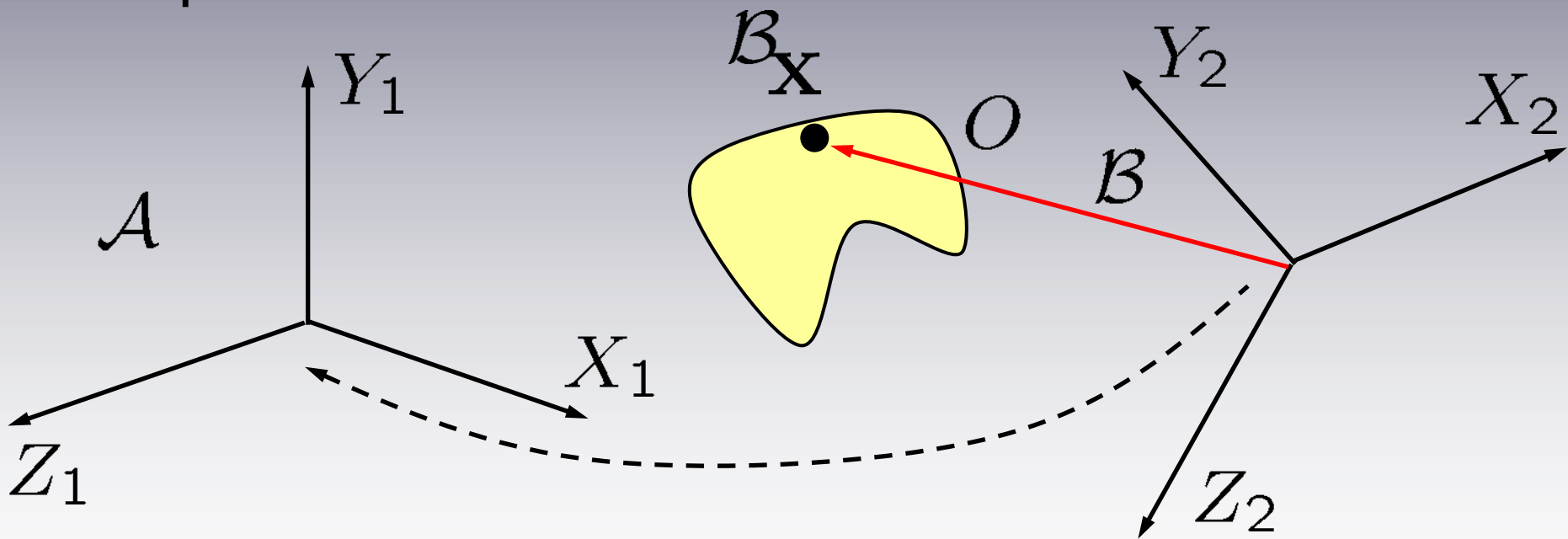
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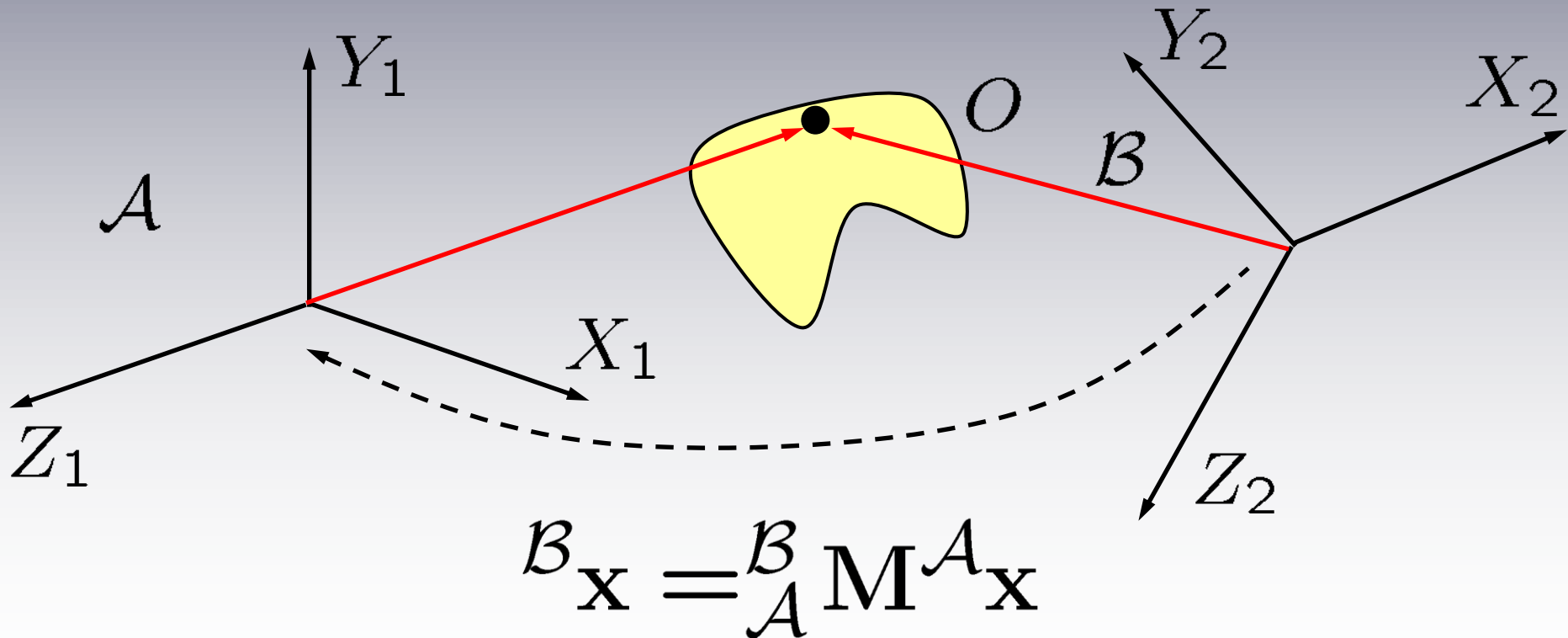
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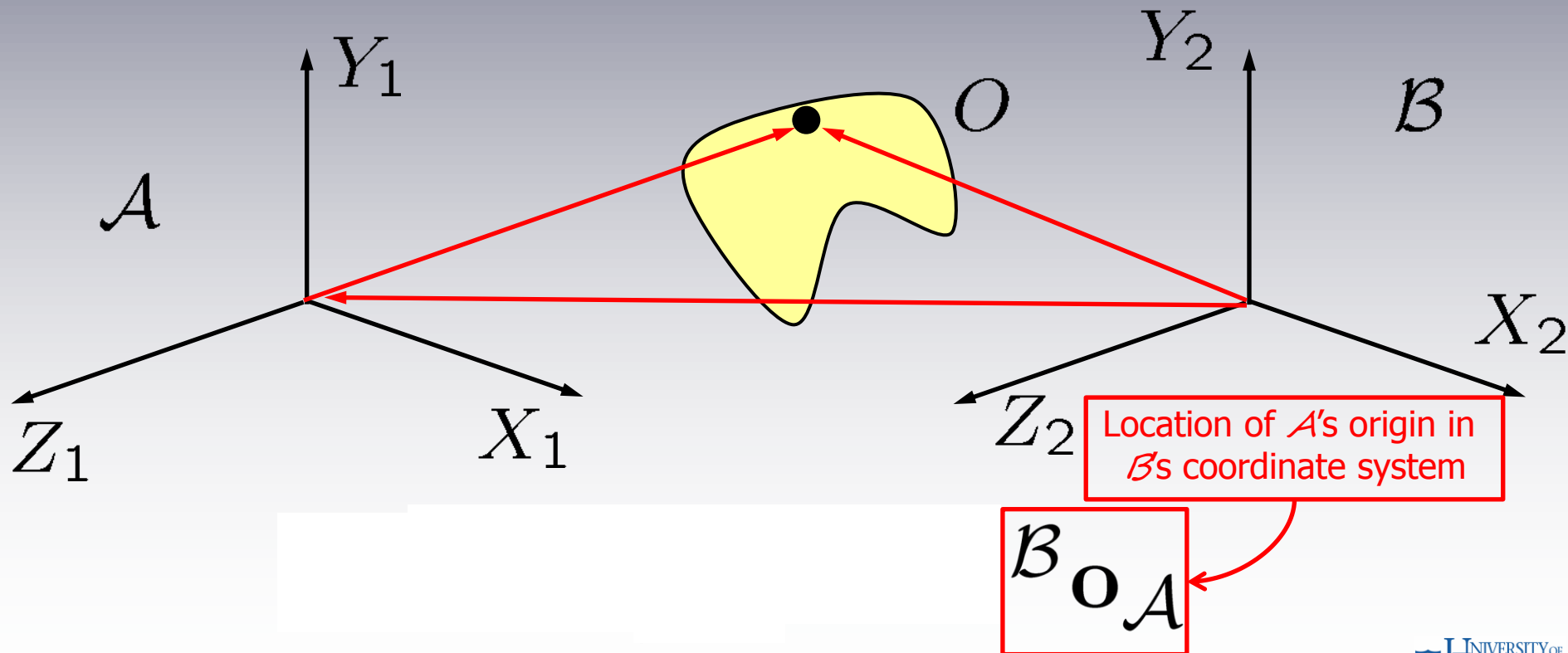
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# 3-D Transformations:

## Translation-only Change of Coordinates

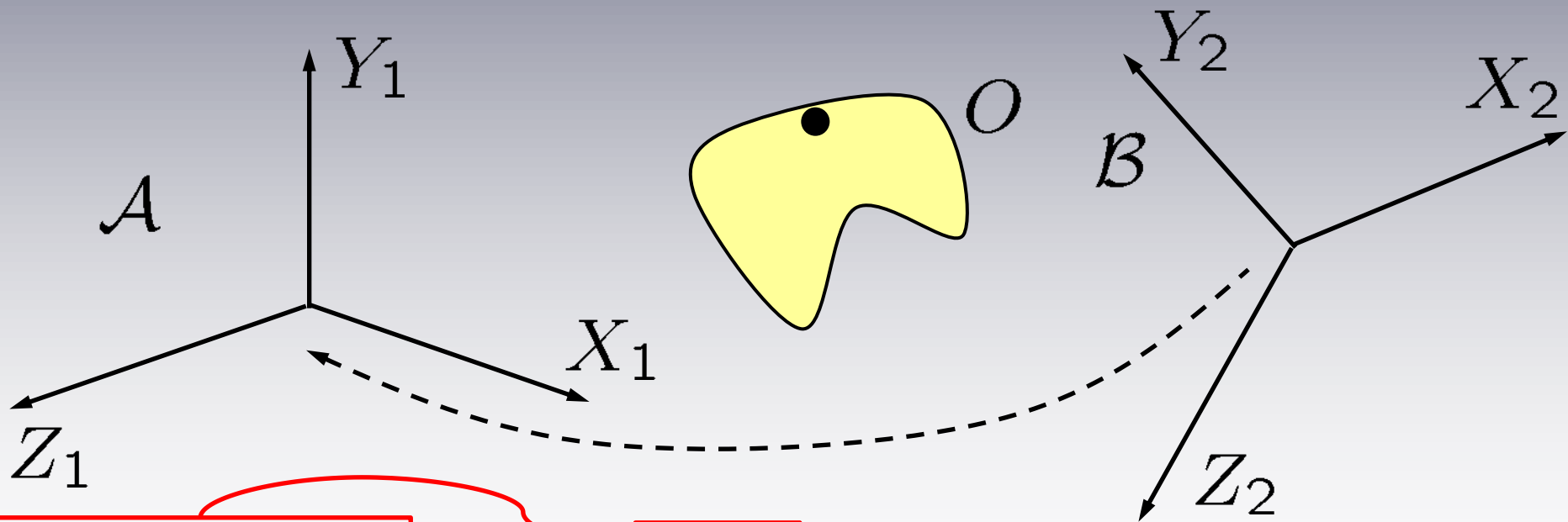
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Rotation that makes  
 $\mathcal{A}$ 's axes parallel to  $\mathcal{B}$ 's,  
creating translation-  
only case

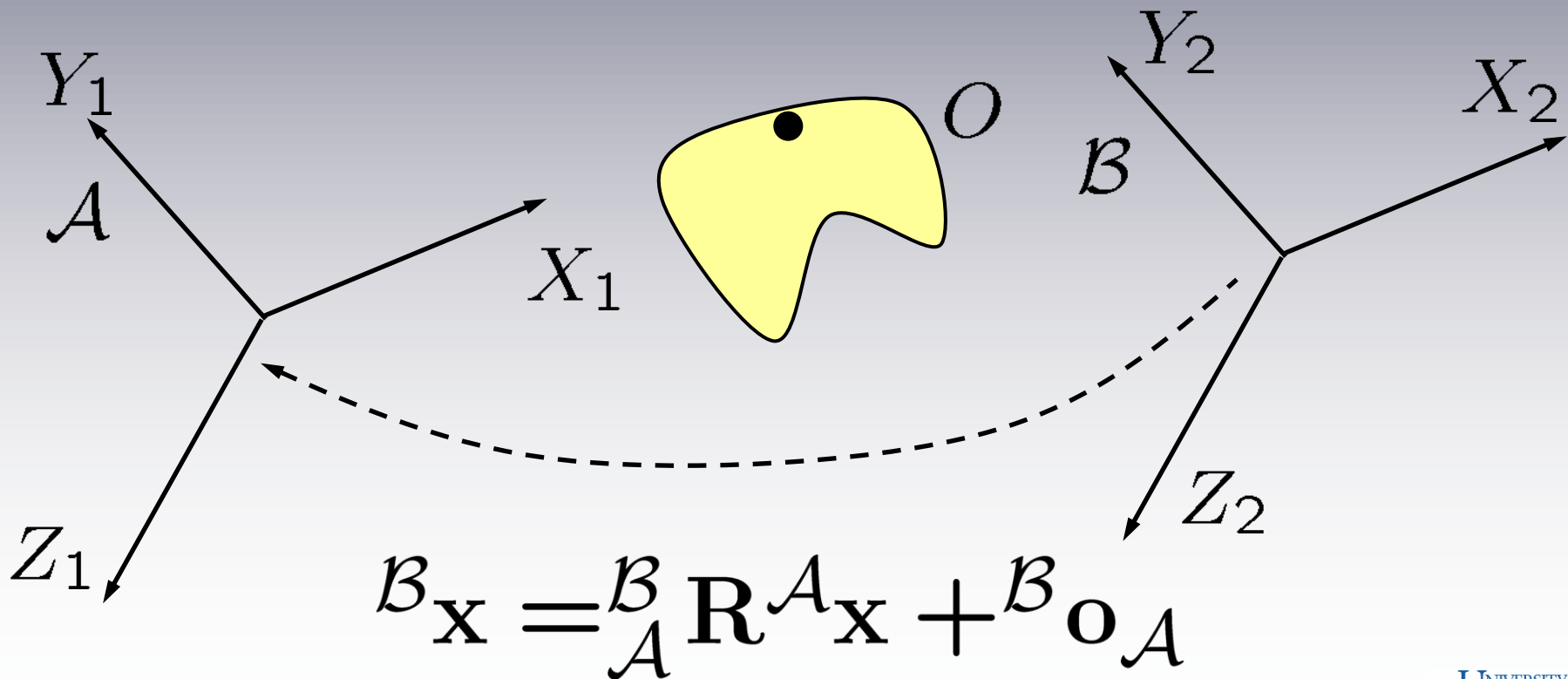
$$\mathcal{B}_{\mathbf{x}} = \mathcal{B}_{\mathcal{A}} \mathbf{R}^{\mathcal{A}}_{\mathbf{x}} + \mathcal{B} \mathbf{o}_{\mathcal{A}}$$



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# 3-D Rigid Transformations

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- Combination of rotation followed by translation, without scaling, etc.
- “Moves” an object from one 3-D pose to another

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & \Delta x \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & \Delta y \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & \Delta z \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} r_{11} & r_{12} & r_{13} & 0 \\ r_{21} & r_{22} & r_{23} & 0 \\ r_{31} & r_{32} & r_{33} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} r_{11} & r_{12} & r_{13} & \Delta x \\ r_{21} & r_{22} & r_{23} & \Delta y \\ r_{31} & r_{32} & r_{33} & \Delta z \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

**T**                      **R**                      **M**

# Rigid Transformations: Homogeneous Coordinates

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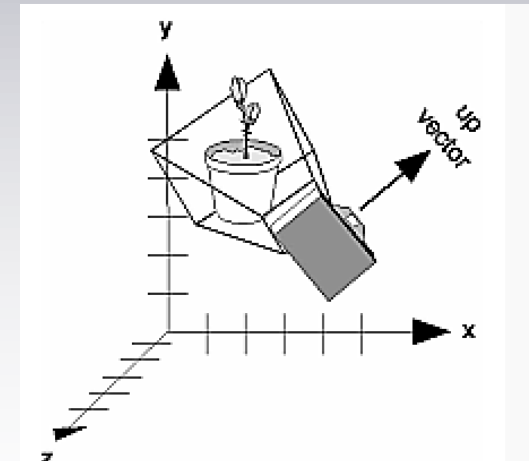
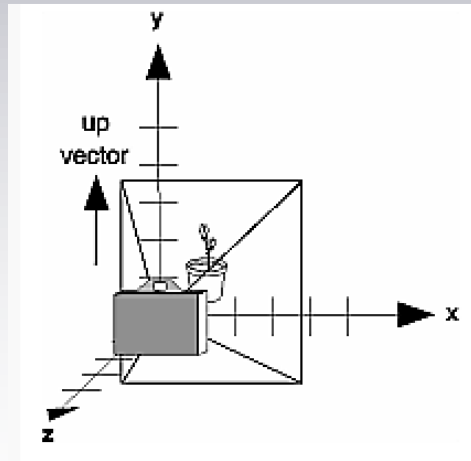
- Points in one coordinate system are transformed to the other as follows:

$$\mathcal{B}_{\mathbf{x}} = \mathcal{B}_{\mathcal{A}} \mathbf{M}^{\mathcal{A}}_{\mathbf{x}} = \begin{pmatrix} \mathcal{B}_{\mathcal{A}} \mathbf{R} & \mathcal{B}_{\mathbf{o}_{\mathcal{A}}} \\ \mathbf{0}^T & 1 \end{pmatrix} \mathcal{A}_{\mathbf{x}}$$

- Rows of rotation matrix are  $\mathcal{B}$ 's axes "in"  $\mathcal{A}$ 's coordinate system
- $\mathcal{C}_{\mathcal{W}} \mathbf{M}$  takes the camera to the world origin, transforming points expressed in **world coordinates** into points expressed in **camera coordinates**
  - Info needed: Camera axes in world coordinates, world origin in camera coordinates

# Controlling the camera position

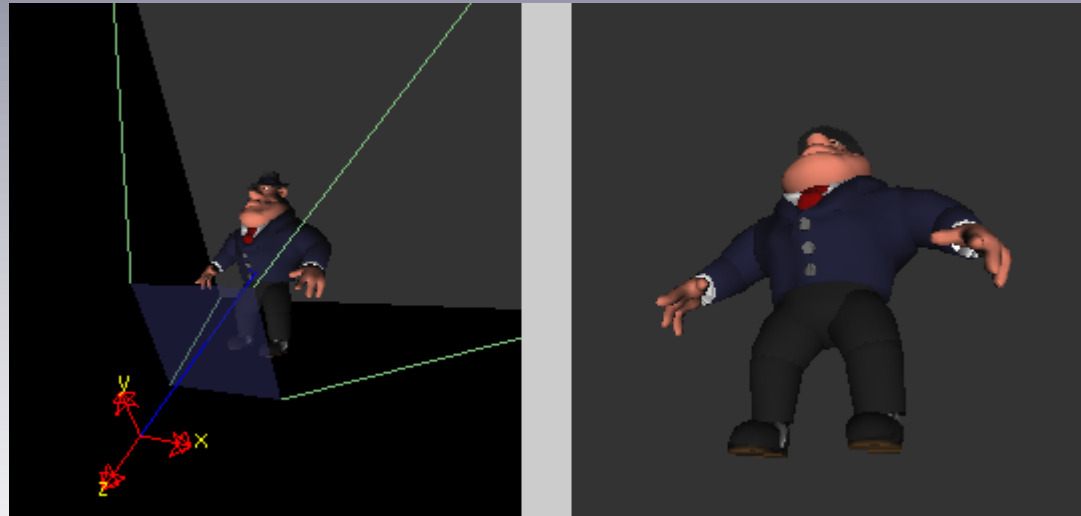
- Standard OpenGL position: At  $(0, 0, 0)^T$  in world coordinates looking in  $-Z$  direction  $(0, 0, -1)$  with **up vector**  $(0, 1, 0)^T$ 
  - Up vector controls camera roll (rotation around  $Z$  axis)
- Changing position: `gluLookAt()`
  - **eye** =  $(eyeX, eyeY, eyeZ)^T$ : Desired camera position
  - **center** =  $(centerX, centerY, centerZ)^T$ : Point at which camera is aimed (defining “gaze direction”)
  - **up** =  $(upX, upY, upZ)^T$ : Camera’s “up” vector
- Robins’ projection tutor



from Woo *et al.*

# The Viewing Volume

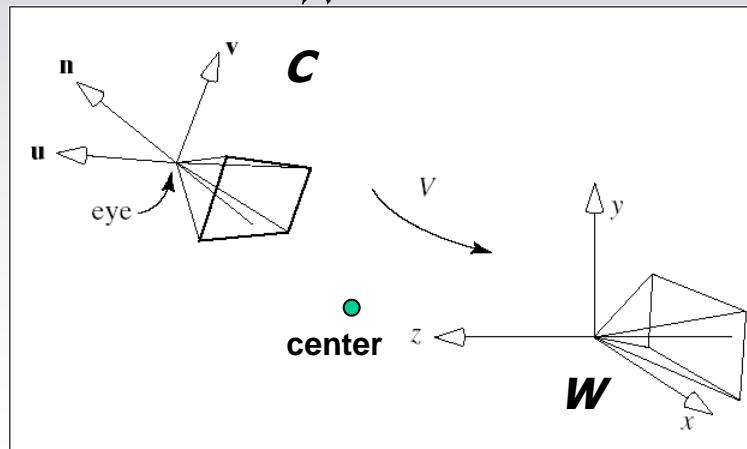
- Definition: The region of 3-D space visible in the image
- Depends on:
  - Camera position, orientation
  - Field of view, image size
  - Projection type
    - Orthographic
    - Perspective



courtesy of N. Robins

# gluLookAt () : Details (7.1.3 in Shirley)

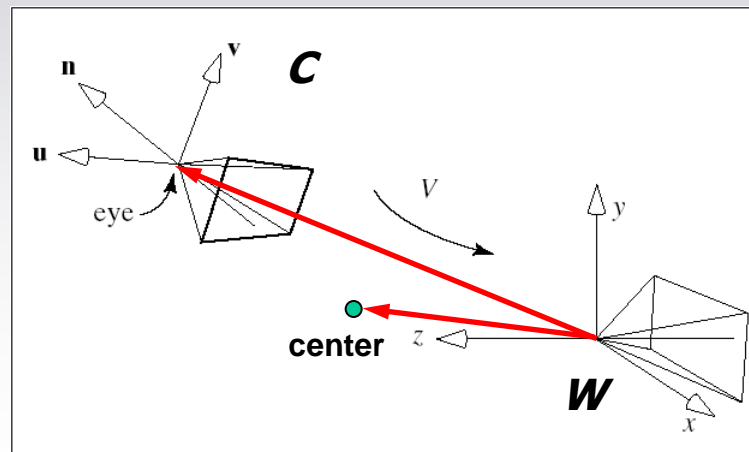
- Moves scene points so that camera is at origin, “look at” point is on -Z axis, and camera +Y axis is aligned with **up** vector
  - Create and execute rigid transformation  ${}^C_W M$  making a change from world to camera coordinates
- Steps
  1. Compute vectors **u**, **v**, **n** defining new **camera axes** in **world coordinates** (Shirley textbook uses **w** instead of **n**)
    - “Old” axes are  $\mathbf{u}' = (1, 0, 0)^T$ ,  $\mathbf{v}' = (0, 1, 0)^T$ ,  $\mathbf{n}' = (0, 0, 1)^T$
  2. Compute location  ${}^C_O W$  of old camera position in terms of new location’s coordinate system
  3. Fill in rigid transform matrix  ${}^C_W M$



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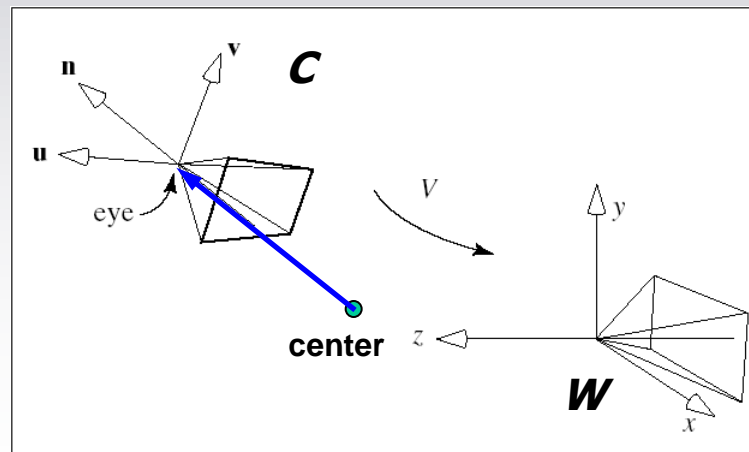
- Form basis vectors
  - New camera Z axis:  $\mathbf{n} = \mathbf{eye} - \mathbf{center}$
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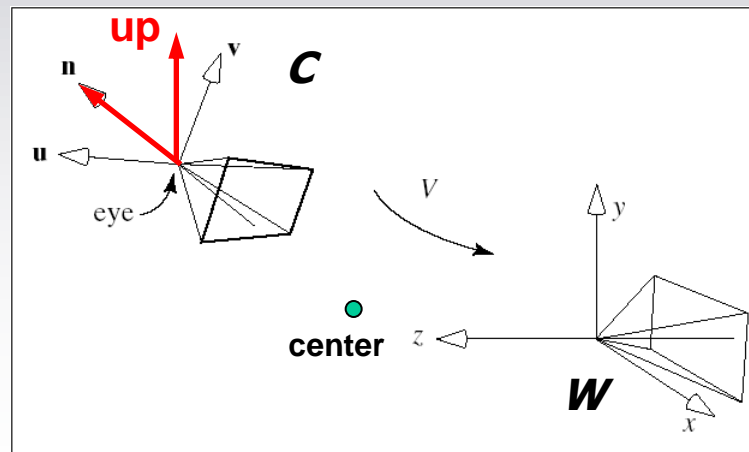
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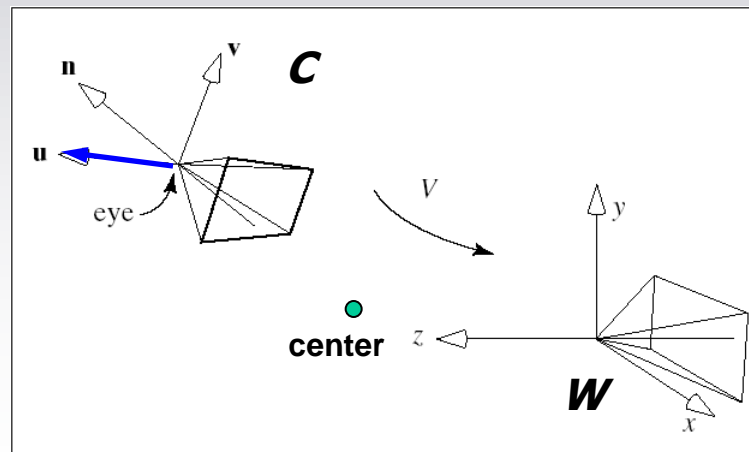
$\mathbf{up}$  and  $\mathbf{n}$  define a plane which  $\mathbf{u}$  is normal to—they don't have to be orthogonal



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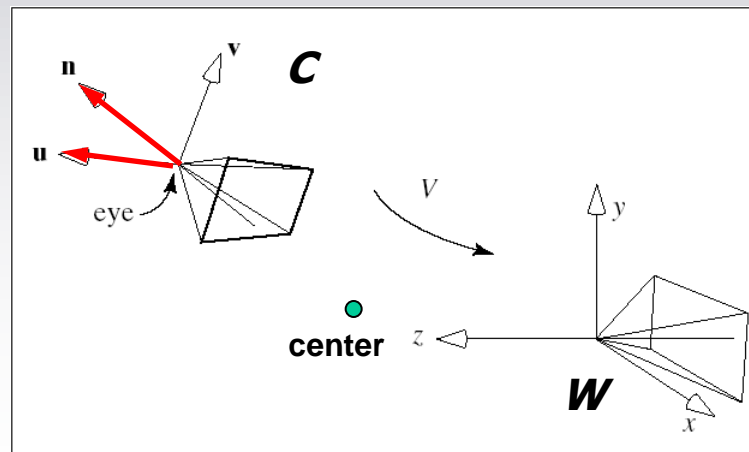
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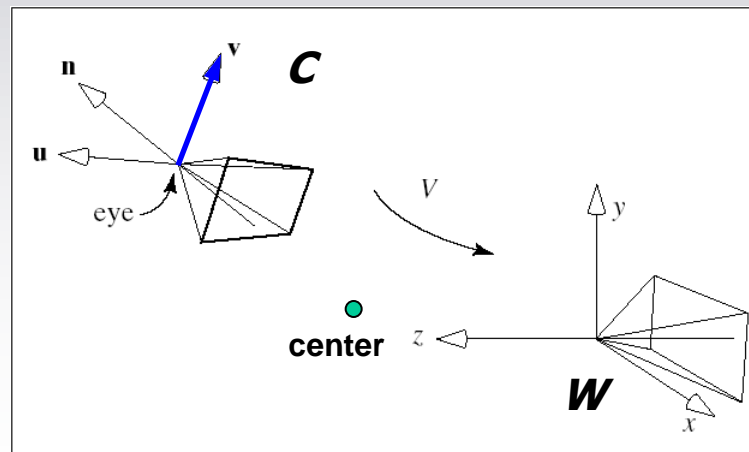
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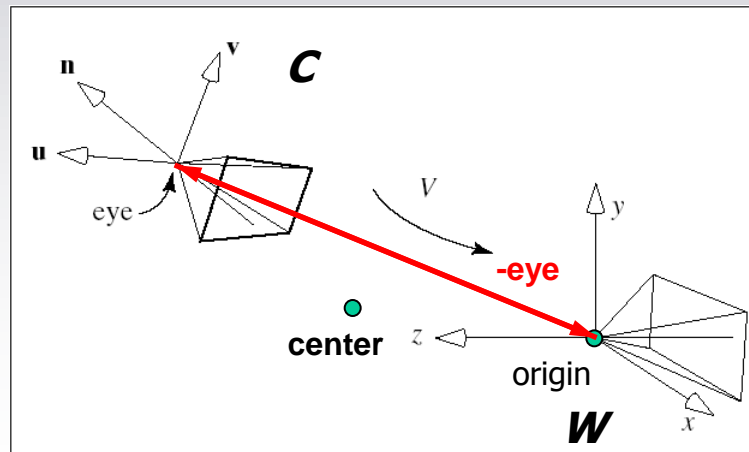
## gluLookAt () : Camera axes in world coords.

- Now make 3 x 3 rotation matrix from formula on rigid transform slide:

$${}^C_W\mathbf{R} = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{u}^T \\ \mathbf{v}^T \\ \mathbf{n}^T \end{pmatrix}$$

# gluLookAt () : Location

- $c_{o_W}$  : World origin in camera coordinates

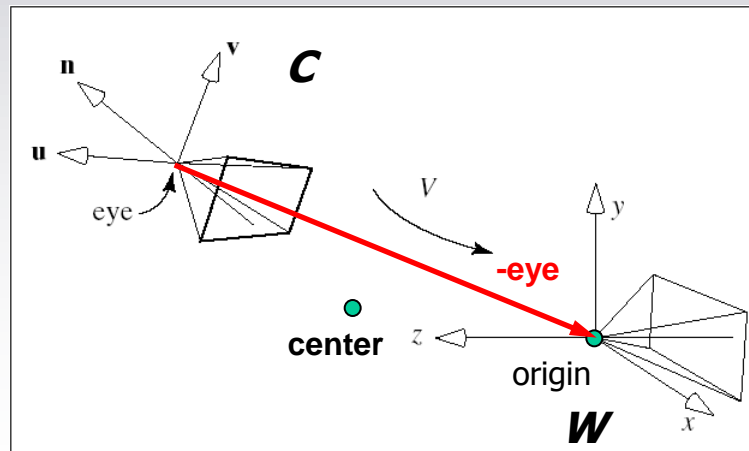


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## gluLookAt () : Location

- $c_{o_W}$  : World origin in camera coordinates
- **-eye** is in world coordinates, so project onto camera axes (and don't normalize):

$$c_{o_W} = (-eye \cdot u, -eye \cdot v, -eye \cdot n)^T$$



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## gluLookAt () : Matrix

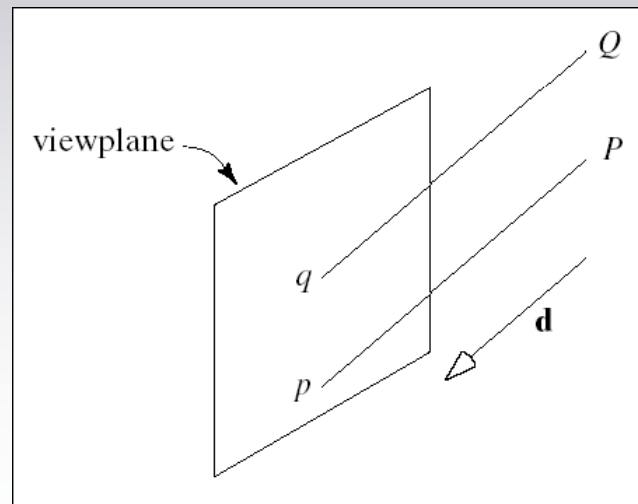
- Letting  $\mathbf{t} = {}^C\mathbf{o}_W$  and writing the vector components as  $\mathbf{u} = (u_x, u_y, u_z)^T$ , etc., the final transformation matrix is given by:

$${}^C_W\mathbf{M} = \begin{pmatrix} u_x & u_y & u_z & t_x \\ v_x & v_y & v_z & t_y \\ n_x & n_y & n_z & t_z \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$



# Transformations vs. Projections

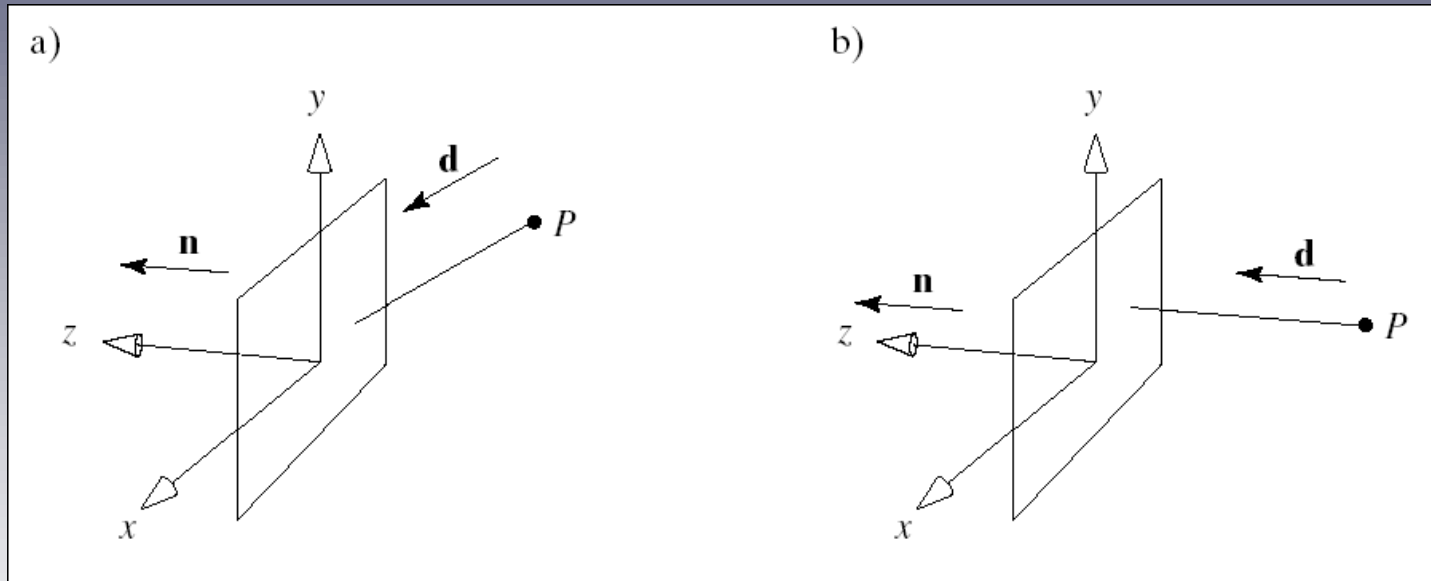
- **Transformation:** Mapping within  $n$ -D space that moves points around
  - Linear transformations (e.g. matrix multiplication) preserve straight lines
  - Some nonlinear transformations in  $n$ -D can be expressed by linear ones in  $(n + 1)$ -D – the idea behind homogeneous coordinates
- **Projection:** Mapping from  $n$ -D space down to lower-dimensional subspace
  - E.g., point in 3-D space to point on plane (a 2-D entity) in that space
  - We will be interested in such 3-D to 2-D projections where the plane is the **image**
  - Things to know:
    - Where are the points?
    - Where is the plane?
    - What kind of projection?



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**Parallel projection** along direction  $\mathbf{d}$  onto a plane

# Parallel Projections



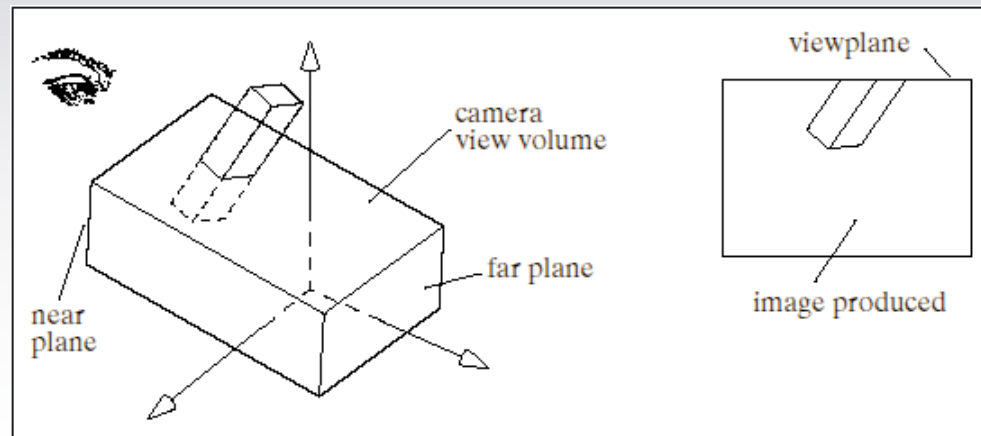
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**Oblique:**  $\mathbf{d}$  in general position relative to plane normal  $\mathbf{n}$

**Orthographic:**  $\mathbf{d}$  parallel to  $\mathbf{n}$

# Orthographic Projection

- Projection direction **d** is aligned with Z axis
- Viewing volume is “brick”-shaped region in space
  - Not the same as image size
- No perspective effects—distant objects look same as near ones, so camera  $(x, y, z) \Rightarrow$  image  $(x, y)$



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# Simple Orthographic Projection Matrix

$$P_v = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} v_x \\ v_y \\ v_z \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} v_x \\ v_y \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$