

Lecture #02

2D Graphics

Computer Graphics

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Rendering

- “Rendering”:
 - fill frame buffer with shapes, text, 3D-content, ...
- Examples:
 - render a rectangle \rightarrow simple
 - render a circle with radius r and center $(x, y) \rightarrow ???$
 - render a line from (x_1, y_1) to $(x_2, y_2) \rightarrow ???$
 - fill a triangle with vertices $(x_1, y_1), (x_2, y_2), (x_3, y_3) \rightarrow ???$
 - \rightarrow next week “Rasterization”

Rendering

- Frame buffer is usually not written directly, but via a **Graphics API**
- **Today we will have a brief look into such APIs, but this is not the general topic of this lecture**
- Mostly, we learn about **the algorithms** for rendering
- In the exercises, we will also look at the **graphics APIs**

Rendering

- Command-based APIs:
 - a library containing functions that render primitives, such as lines, rectangles, circles or similar
 - oftentimes, this includes the interaction with the GPU (a special device on the computer that is solely responsible for rendering)
- Scenegraph-based APIs:
 - the scene to be rendered is defined in an abstract manner in a hierarchical (tree-like) structure, which is passed to the renderer as a whole
 - In HTML, this can be integrated into the normal document hierarchy (see later)
- 3D:
 - the primitives to be rendered are defined in 3D-space. A virtual camera is to be specified that defines the mapping of the 3D-world to the 2D image. Also occlusion must be considered.

Rendering APIs

looked at in the
exercises

	2D	3D
command based	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Java graphics 2D• HTML canvas• Postscript• ...	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• OpenGL• DirectX• ...
scenegraph based	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• SVG• ...	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• X3D• Unreal• Unity



today: 2D



3D comes soon

Today: 2D Graphics APIs

- We look into graphics APIs provided by HTML
- HTML-elements that can be filled with 2D graphics:
- **Canvas Element:** Command-based API
- **SVG Element:** Scenegraph-based API



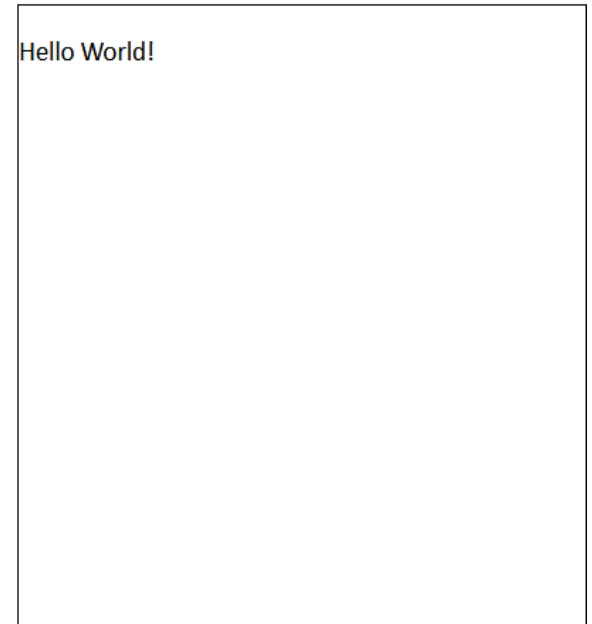
HTML

- To use these, we must know very basic HTML

Hello World Hello Canvas Hello SVG


```
<body>
  <p>Hello World!</p>
</body>
```

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HTML5 Canvas

- We start with canvas. For more information see:
https://developer.mozilla.org/de/docs/Web/Guide/HTML/Canvas_Tutorial



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Canvas Tutorial



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<canvas> ("Leinwand") ist ein **HTML Element**, auf das man mit Hilfe von Skripten (normalerweise **JavaScript**) Animationen, Grafiken oder Bilder projiziert. Die Bilder rechts zeigen Beispiele, die sich mit dem **<canvas>**-Element erstellen lassen.

Das **<canvas>**-Element wurde zuerst von Apple für das Mac OS X Dashboard vorgestellt und später in Safari und Google Chrome implementiert. **Gecko** 1.8-basierte Browser wie Firefox 1.5 und jünger unterstützen dieses Element ebenfalls. Das **<canvas>**-Element ist Teil der **WhatWG Web applications 1.0** Spezifikation (HTML5).

Dieses Tutorial beschreibt die Grundlagen des Zeichnens von 2d-Grafiken mit dem **<canvas>**-Element. Die Beispiele sollen die Möglichkeiten des Canvas aufzeigen. Der zugehörige Code dient als Einführung und kann als Vorlage für eigenen Content dienen.



2D Graphics - Basics

- We start with the **canvas** element and its command-based API...
- ... and then look into scene graphs

Most principles are the same for both API types:

- **Primitives**: Objects, from which an image is generated
- **Attributes** describe, how primitives are to be rendered (color, line width, ...)
- **Transformations** are used to describe how objects are positioned within an image

Primitives

- Graphics are composed of *primitives* such as
 - lines
 - rectangles
 - circles / ellipses
 - triangles
 - polygons
 - curves
 - paths
- Each primitive has attributes such as
 - fill color
 - boundary color
 - line / boundary width
 - stipple pattern
 - ...

Rectangles

Rectangle

```
1 var context = canvas.getContext("2d");
2 context.fillStyle = 'red';
3 context.fillRect(100,100,80,80);
4
5 context.strokeStyle = 'green';
6 context.lineWidth = 5;
7 context.strokeRect(200,100,80,80)
8
9 context.fillStyle = '#88f';
10 context.strokeStyle = '#00f';
11 context.lineWidth = 5;
12 context.fillRect(300,100,80,80);
13 context.strokeRect(300,100,80,80);
```

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Attributes

- We have strokes (= lines) and fills (= areas)
- For strokes, we can define
 - its width → `linewidth`
 - its color → `strokeStyle`
 - line caps (shape of line ends)
 - line dash (stipple patterns)
 - ...
- For fills, we can define
 - its color → `fillStyle`
 - fill patterns, fill gradients
 - ...
- → for more information see https://developer.mozilla.org/en-US/docs/Web/API/Canvas_API/Tutorial/Applying_styles_and_colors



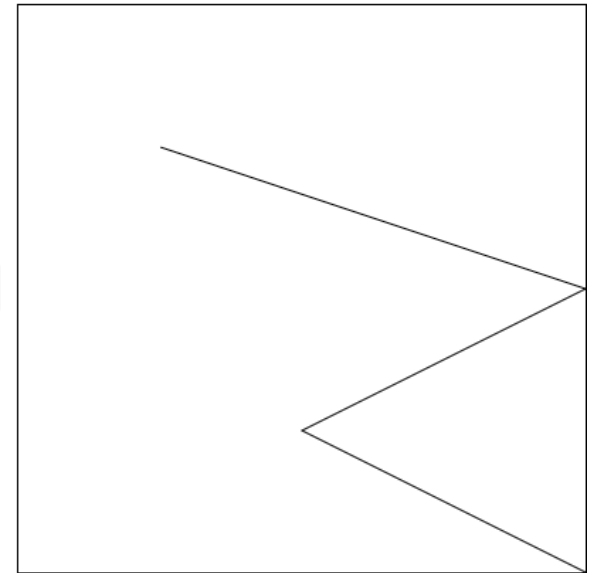
Paths

- With **canvas**, most 2D objects are defined as **paths**
- A path is a set of (joined) lines
- We can render the path as a stroke or fill it

Lines

```
1 var context = canvas.getContext("2d");
2 context.beginPath();
3 context.moveTo(100,100);
4 context.lineTo(400,200);
5 context.lineTo(200,300);
6 context.lineTo(400,400);
7 context.stroke();
```

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- Algorithms to render and fill line paths → next lecture(s)

Primitives - Paths

- Paths can also contain circular (or elliptical) arcs

Arcs

```
1 var context = canvas.getContext("2d");
2 context.beginPath();
3 context.arc(75,75,50,0,Math.PI*2,true); // Outer circle
4 context.moveTo(110,75);
5 context.arc(75,75,35,0,Math.PI,false); // Mouth (clockwise)
6 context.moveTo(65,65);
7 context.arc(60,65,5,0,Math.PI*2,true); // Left eye
8 context.moveTo(95,65);
9 context.arc(90,65,5,0,Math.PI*2,true); // Right eye
10 context.stroke();
```

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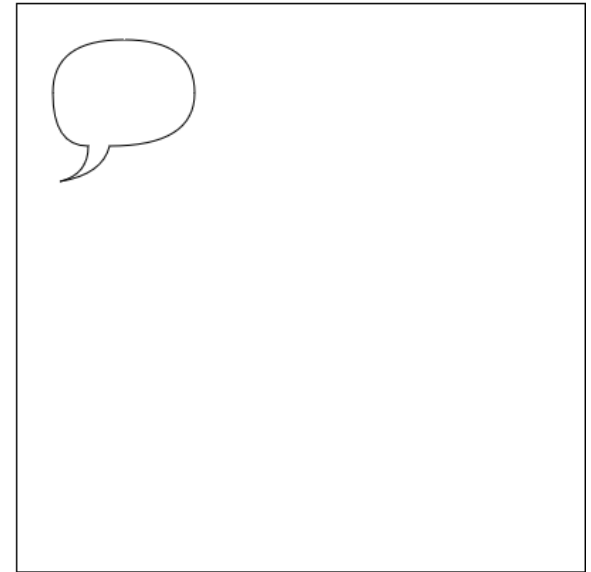
Primitives - Paths

- Paths can also contain Bezier curves

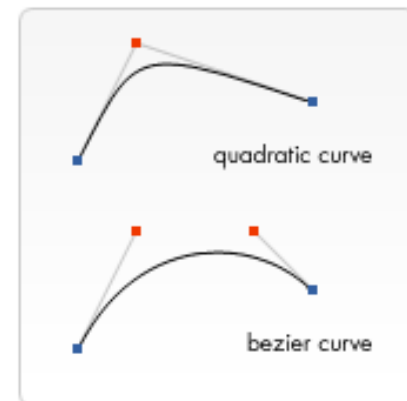
Beziér Curves

```
1 var context = canvas.getContext("2d");
2 context.beginPath();
3 context.moveTo(75,25);
4 context.quadraticCurveTo(25,25,25,62.5);
5 context.quadraticCurveTo(25,100,50,100);
6 context.quadraticCurveTo(50,120,30,125);
7 context.quadraticCurveTo(60,120,65,100);
8 context.quadraticCurveTo(125,100,125,62.5);
9 context.quadraticCurveTo(125,25,75,25);
10 context.stroke();
```

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- Bezier curves, conversion to line paths
→ lecture **“Geometric Modeling”**



Primitives – Filled Paths

- A path can also be filled (algorithm see next but one lecture)

Filled Path

```
1 var context = canvas.getContext("2d");
2 context.beginPath();
3 context.moveTo(75,25);
4 context.quadraticCurveTo(25,25,25,62.5);
5 context.quadraticCurveTo(25,100,50,100);
6 context.quadraticCurveTo(50,120,30,125);
7 context.quadraticCurveTo(60,120,65,100);
8 context.quadraticCurveTo(125,100,125,62.5);
9 context.quadraticCurveTo(125,25,75,25);
10
11 context.strokeStyle = "#000000";
12 context.lineWidth = 5;
13 context.stroke();
14
15 context.fillStyle = "pink";
16 context.fill();
```

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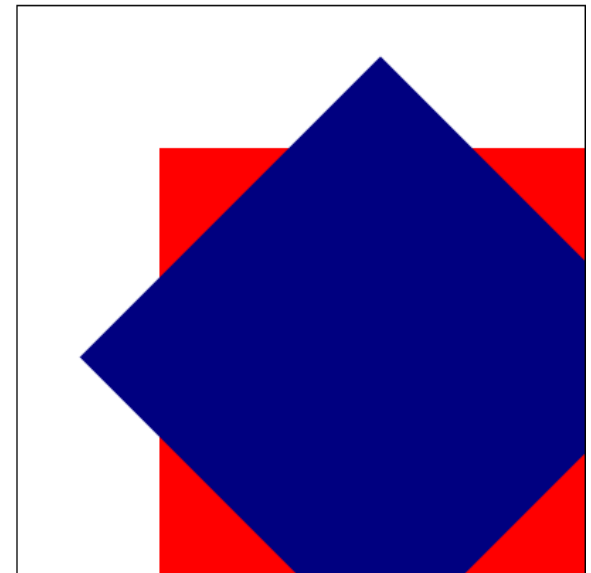
2D Transformations

- we can also apply transformations to objects:

Basic

```
1 var context = canvas.getContext("2d");
2 context.resetTransform();
3
4 context.fillStyle = "red";
5 context.fillRect(100,100,300,300);
6
7 context.fillStyle = "navy";
8 context.translate(256,256);
9 context.rotate(Math.PI/4);
10 context.translate(-256,-256);
11 context.fillRect(100,100,300,300);
```

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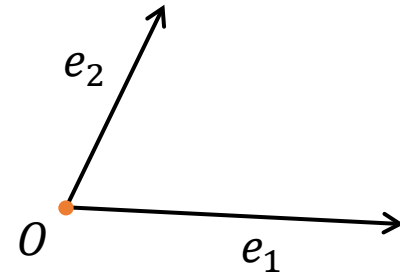


Affine Transformations

- Translate, rotate, and scale are **affine transformations**
- Important in CG
 - Positioning objects in a scene
 - Object Animations
 - Changing the shape of objects
 - Creation of multiple copies of objects
- Can be described easily using **Homogeneous Coordinates and Matrices**

Affine Transformations

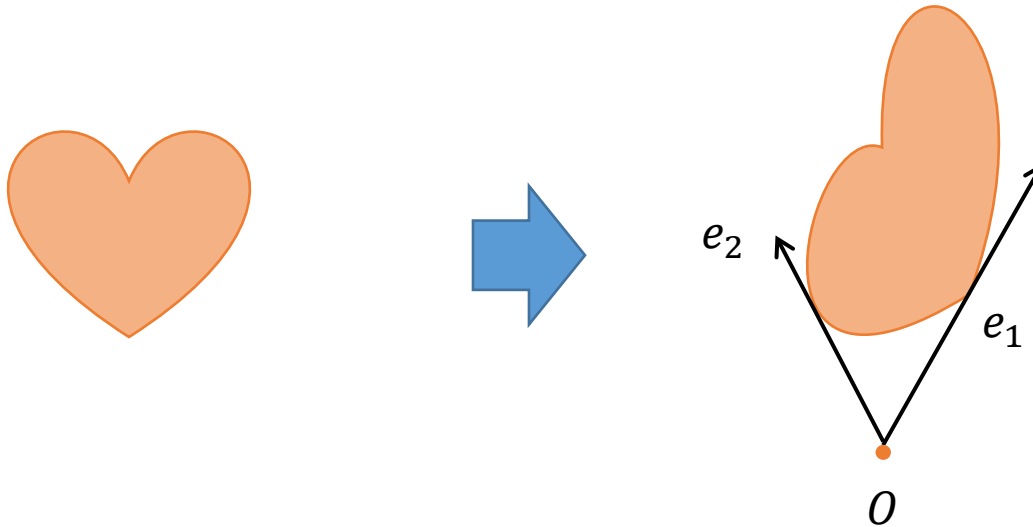
- Coordinate Frames
 - Origin O (point)
 - Coordinate axes e_1, e_2 (vectors)
- Standard coordinate frame
 - $O = (0,0)$
 - $e_1 = (1,0), e_2 = (0,1)$



Affine Transformations

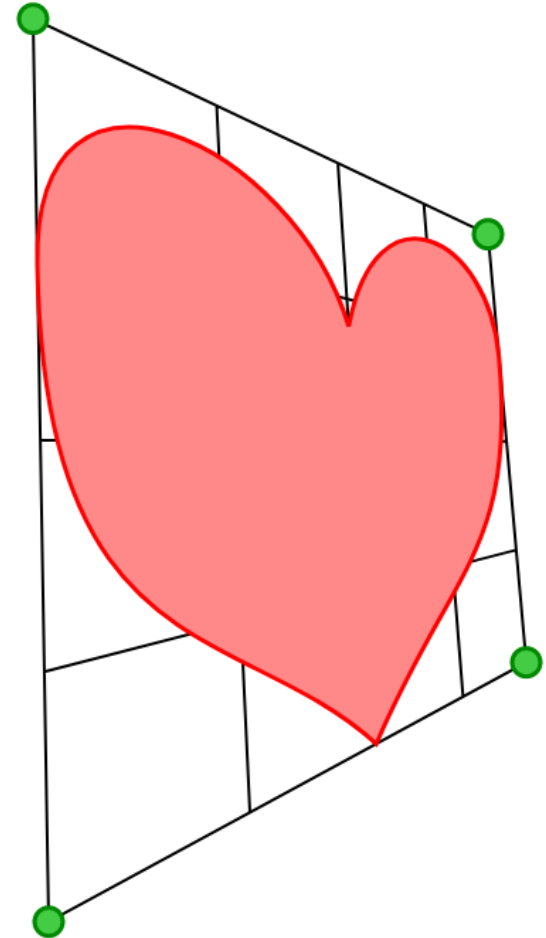
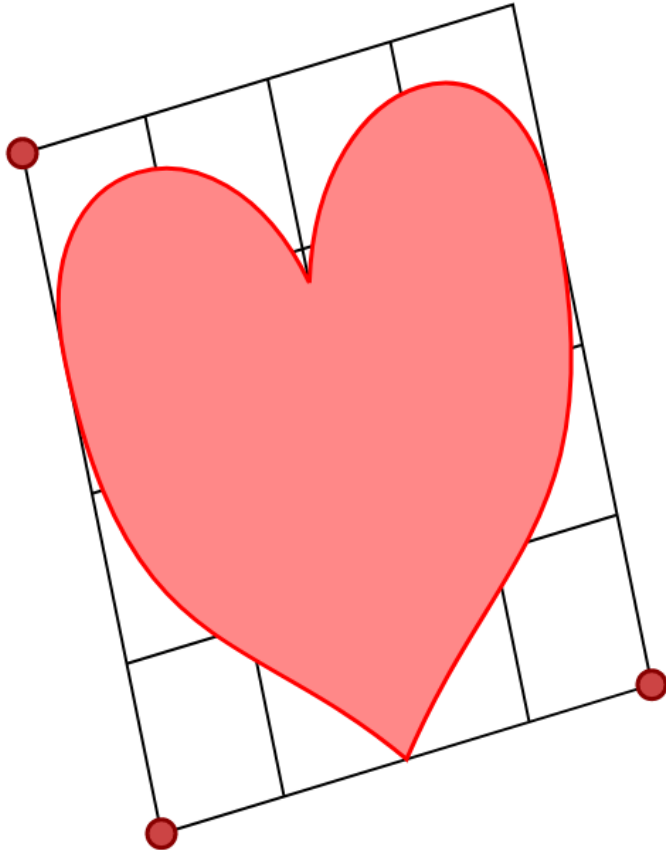
- Coordinate system change:

$$f(x, y) = O + xe_1 + ye_2$$





Affine Transformations



Affine Transformations

- We call such mappings *Affine Mappings*:

$$(x, y) \rightarrow (e_1 \quad e_2) \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} o_1 \\ o_2 \end{pmatrix}$$

- more generally:

$$x \rightarrow Ax + t \quad (A \in \mathbb{R}^{2 \times 2}, t \in \mathbb{R}^2)$$

- concatenation results in another affine mapping:

$$x' = A_1x + t_1$$

$$x'' = A_2x' + t_2 = A_2(A_1x + t_1) + t_2 = \underbrace{A_2A_1}_{A_{concat}}x + \underbrace{A_2t_1 + t_2}_{t_{concat}}$$

- we can apply a simple trick that allows us to also express affine transformations by a single matrix

→ homogeneous coordinates

Homogenous coordinates

- Add “1” as third homogeneous coordinate

$$\mathbf{x} = (x_1, x_2) \rightarrow (x_1, x_2, 1)$$

- To compute the mapping $Ax + t$ we apply a matrix of the form

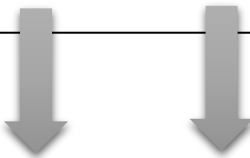
$$\begin{pmatrix} A_{11} & A_{12} & t_1 \\ A_{21} & A_{22} & t_2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\bullet \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} A_{11} & A_{12} & t_1 \\ A_{21} & A_{22} & t_2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} Ax + t \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Homogenous coordinates

- If the last row of A is $(0,0,1)$ the mapping is affine
→ later we see how we can also use this row to express more general transformation
- Structure of a general affine transformation in homogeneous coordinates

linear part		translation
0	0	1

 $\begin{pmatrix} e_{1,x} \\ e_{1,y} \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} e_{2,x} \\ e_{2,y} \end{pmatrix}$		$\begin{pmatrix} t_x \\ t_y \end{pmatrix}$
0	0	1

Homogenous coordinates

- Transformation Rules & Matrix Operations

Multiplication \equiv composition

$$x \xrightarrow{T} Tx = y \xrightarrow{S} Sy = z \quad \equiv \quad x \xrightarrow{ST} STx = z$$

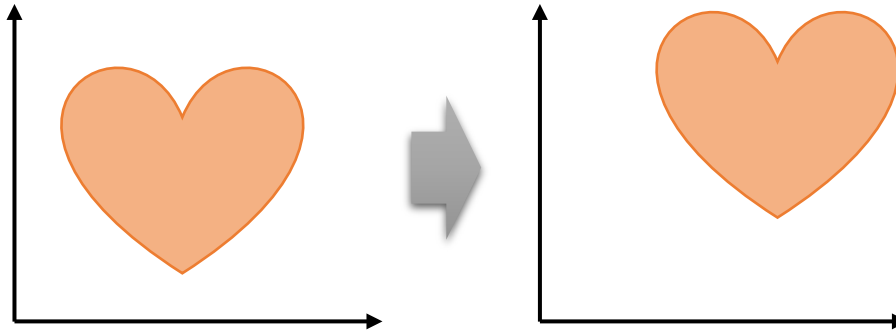
Inverse matrix \equiv Inverse transformation

- Note order of multiplication: ST means: first T , then S

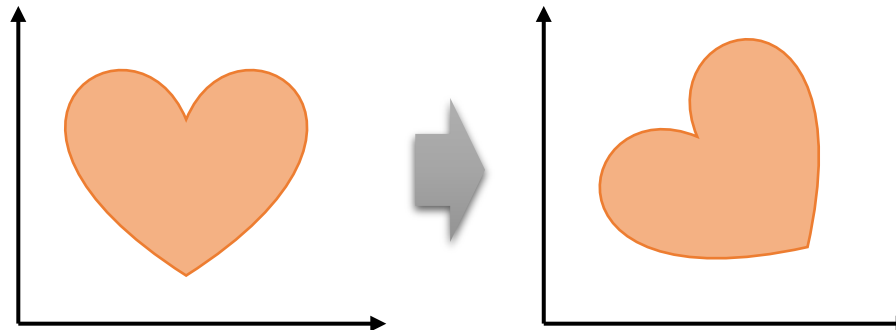
Affine Transformations

- Special cases

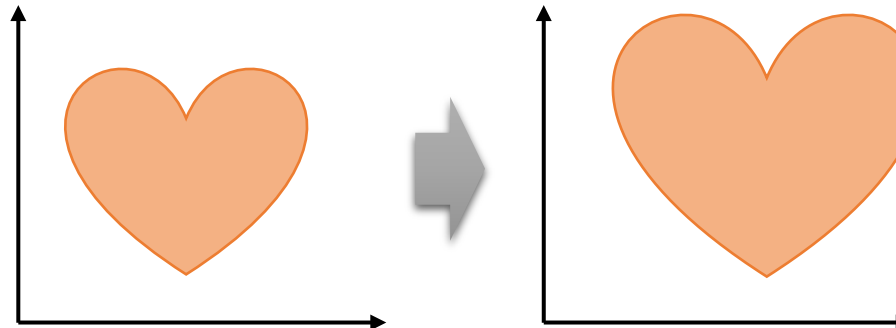
- Translations



- Rotations



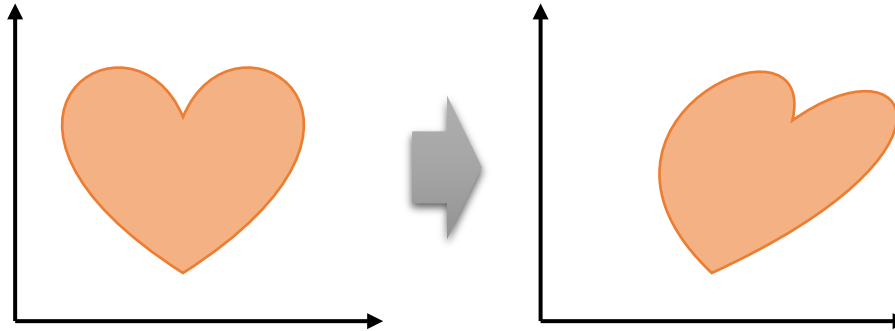
- Scalings



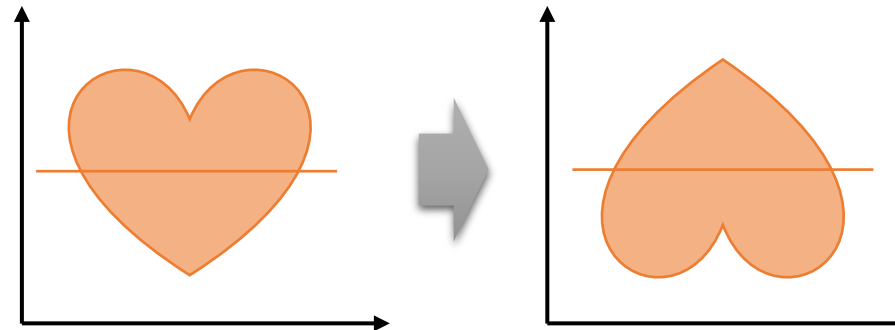
Affine Transformations

- Special cases

- Shearings



- Reflections



Affine Transformations

- Classes of Affine Transformations
 - Rigid
 - Similarity
 - Linear

Affine Transformations

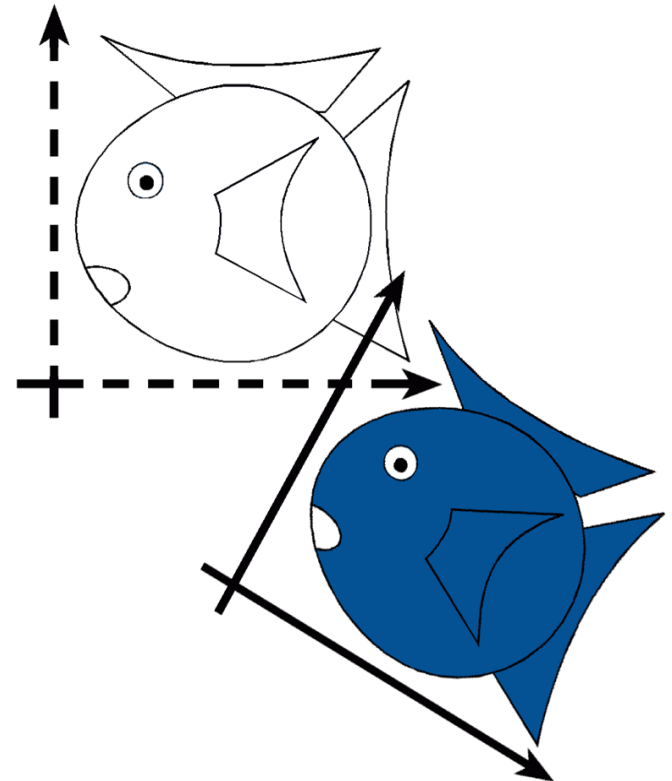
- Rigid Transformation (Euclidean Transform)
 - Preserves distances
 - Preserves angles

Rigid / Euclidean

Translation

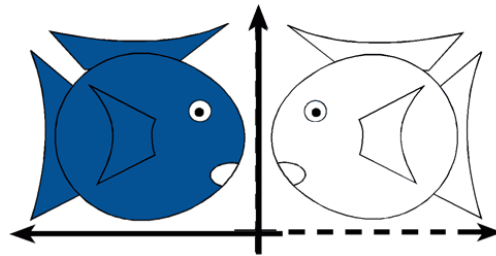
Identity

Rotation



Affine Transformations

- Rigid transformation:
 - e_1 and e_2 are orthonormal and have unit length
- $x \rightarrow Ax + t$ with A orthogonal and $\det(A) > 0$
- Application of multiple rigid transformations is a rigid transformation again (also true for following classes)
- If $\det(A) < 0$, A contains a reflection, which is not rigid

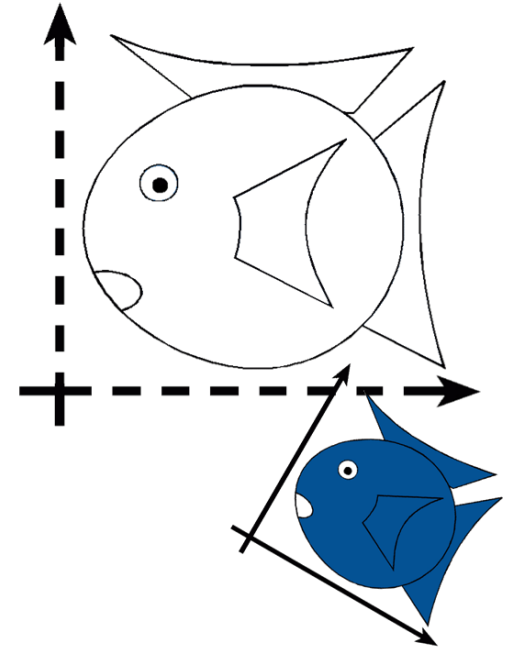
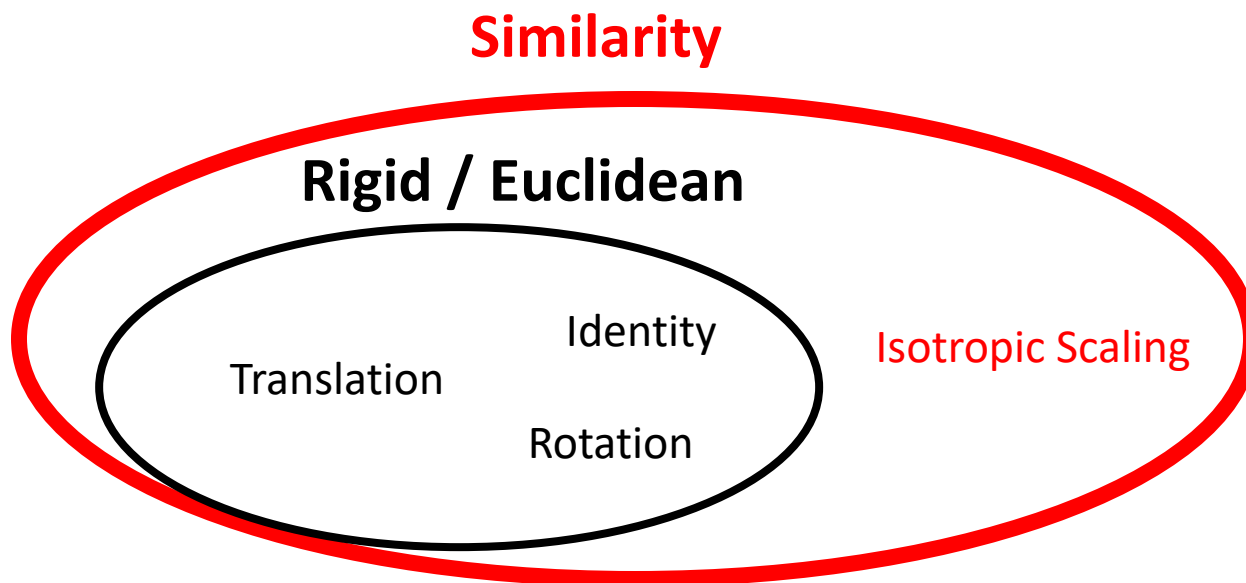


Affine Transformations

- Similarity Transforms

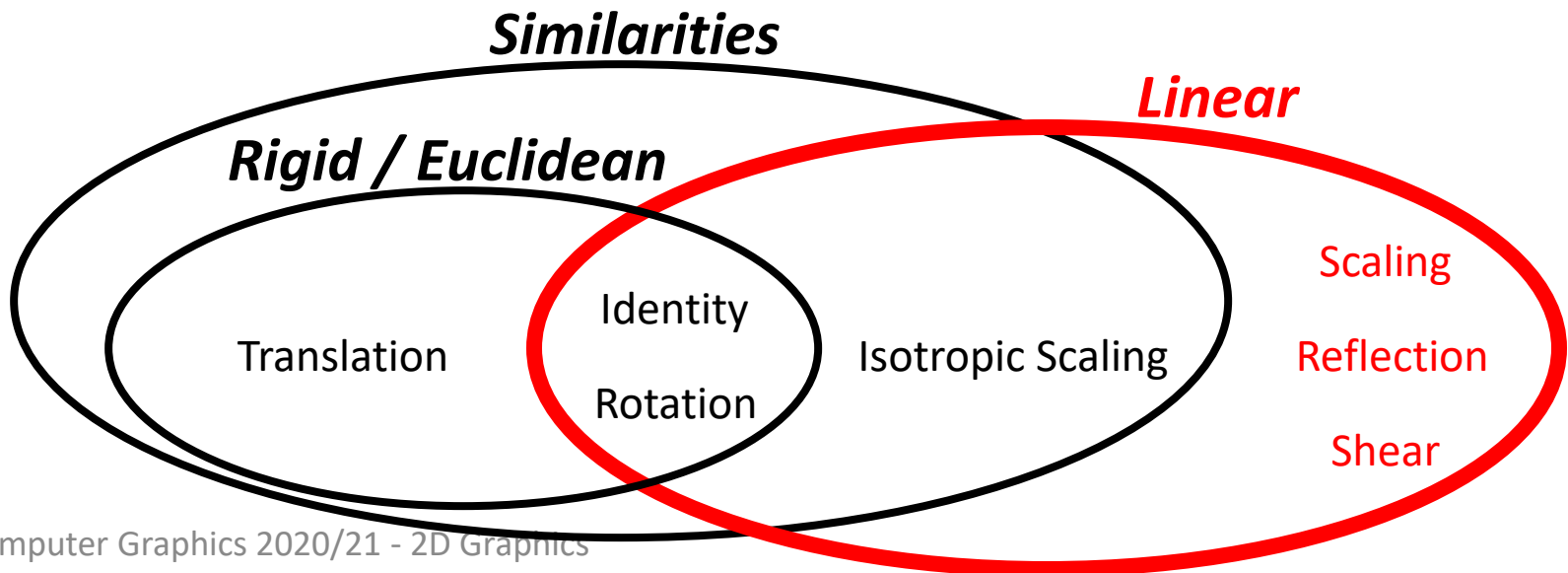
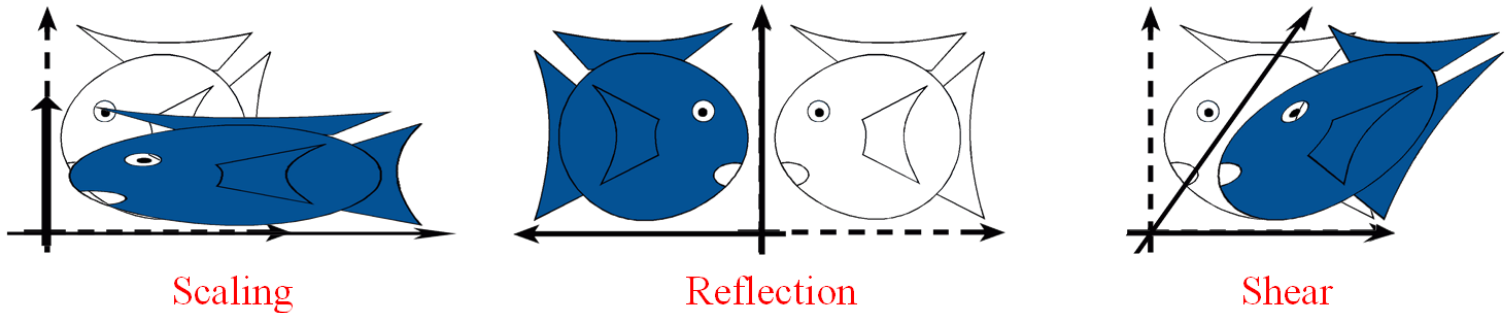
- Preserves angles, but changes distances
- Rigid + (isotropic) scaling + reflection

$x \rightarrow cAx + t$ with $c \in \mathbb{R}$ and A orthonormal



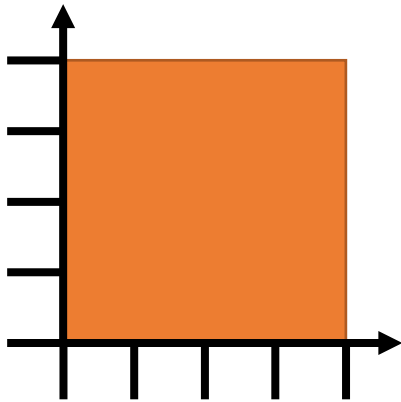
Affine Transformations

- General Linear Transformations = affine without translation
- Origin (0,0) is always mapped to origin

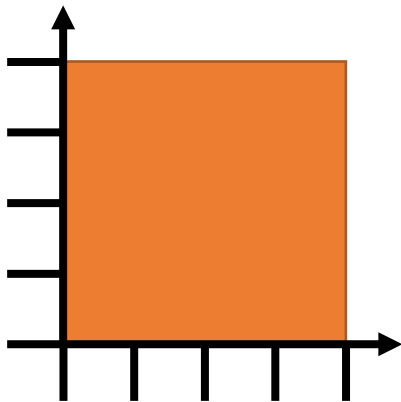
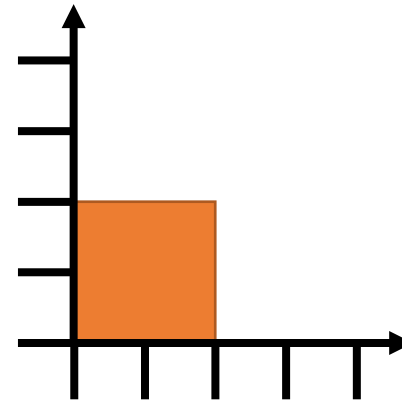


Scaling

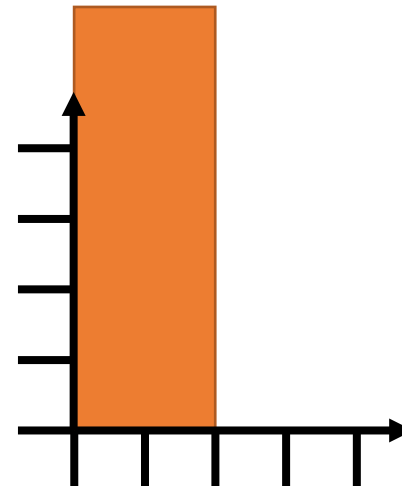
- Examples



$$\begin{pmatrix} 0.5 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0.5 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$



$$\begin{pmatrix} 0.5 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1.5 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$



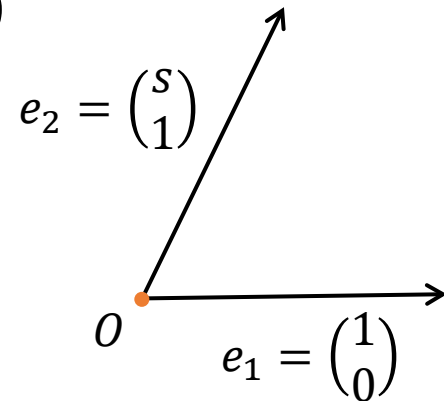
Shearing

- Shearing

- Pushing things sideways (*compare deck of cards*)

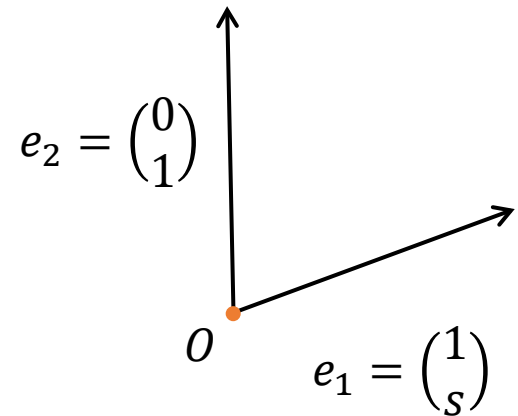
- Horizontal (*y*-coordinate will not change)

$$shear_x(s) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & s & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$



- Vertical (*x*-coordinate will not change)

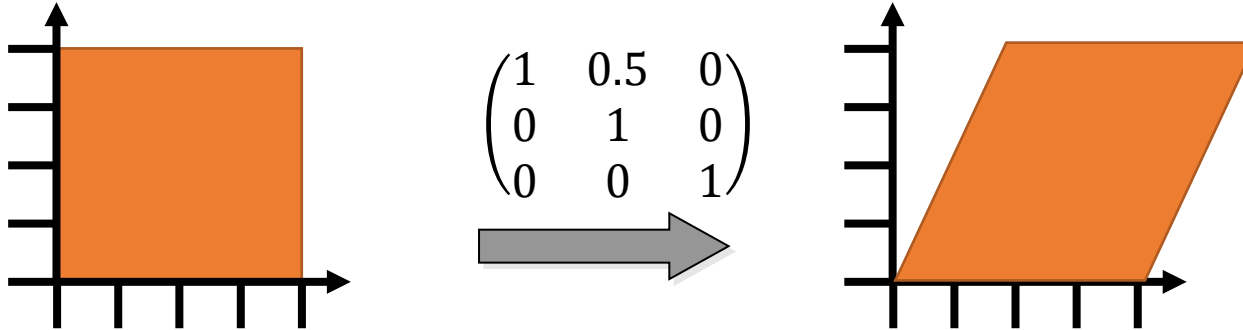
$$shear_y(s) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ s & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$



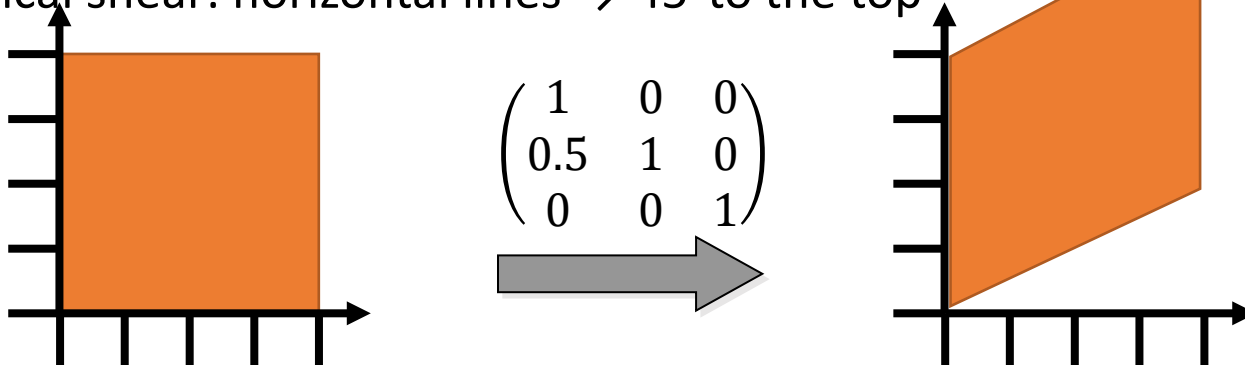
Shearing

- Examples

- Horizontal shear: vertical lines \rightarrow 45° to the right



- Vertical shear: horizontal lines \rightarrow 45° to the top



Simple Rotation in 2D

- Rotation

- Vector $\mathbf{a} = (a_x, a_y)$, angle α with x -axis

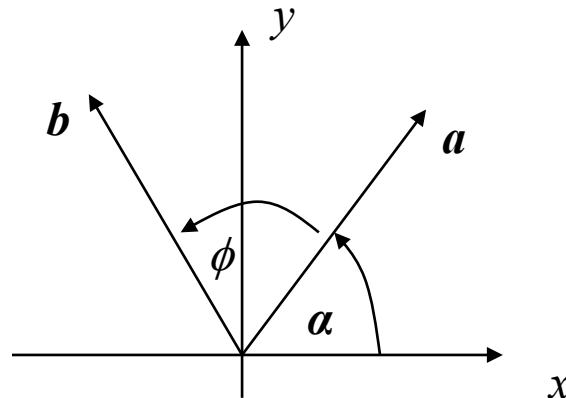
- Length $r = \sqrt{a_x^2 + a_y^2}$

- By definition: $a_x = r \cos \alpha$,
 $a_y = r \sin \alpha$

- Rotation by an angle ϕ counter-clockwise:

$$b_x = r \cos(\alpha + \phi) = r \cos \alpha \cos \phi - r \sin \alpha \sin \phi$$

$$b_y = r \sin(\alpha + \phi) = r \sin \alpha \cos \phi + r \cos \alpha \sin \phi$$



Simple Rotation in 2D

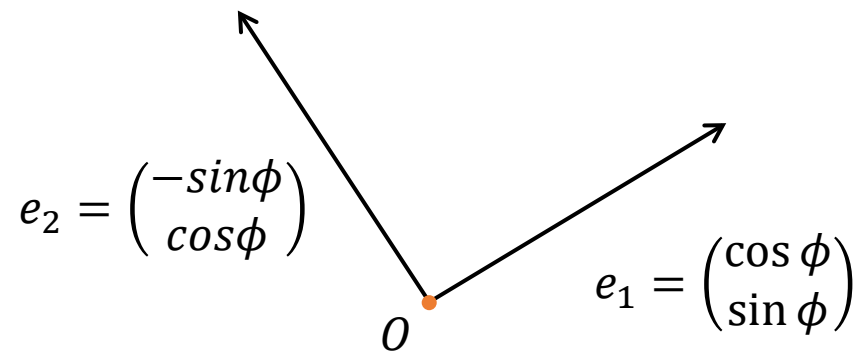
- After substitution

- $b_x = a_x \cos \phi - a_y \sin \phi$

- $b_y = a_y \cos \phi + a_x \sin \phi$

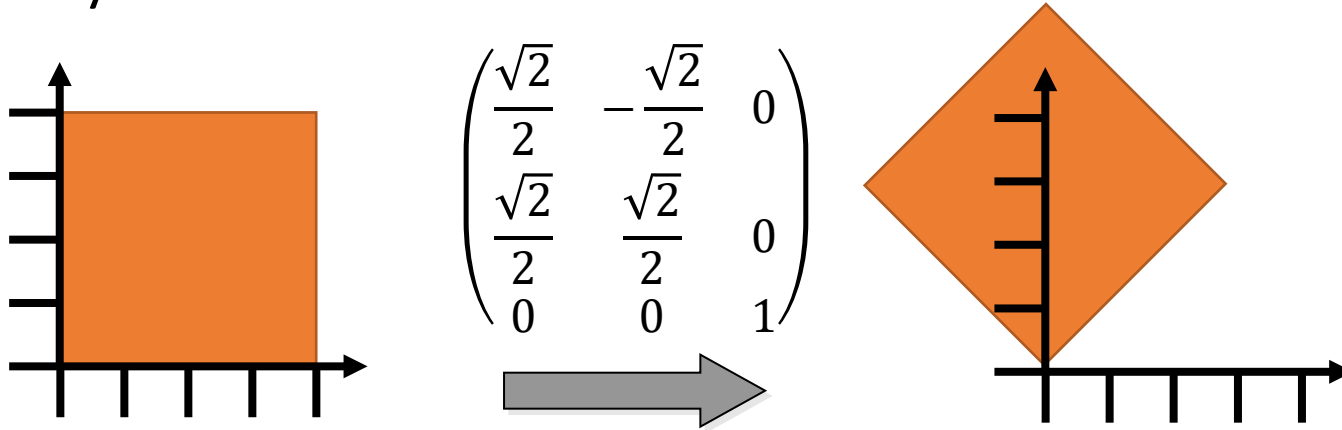
- Matrix form taking a to b

$$\text{rotate}(\phi) = \begin{pmatrix} \cos \phi & -\sin \phi & 0 \\ \sin \phi & \cos \phi & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

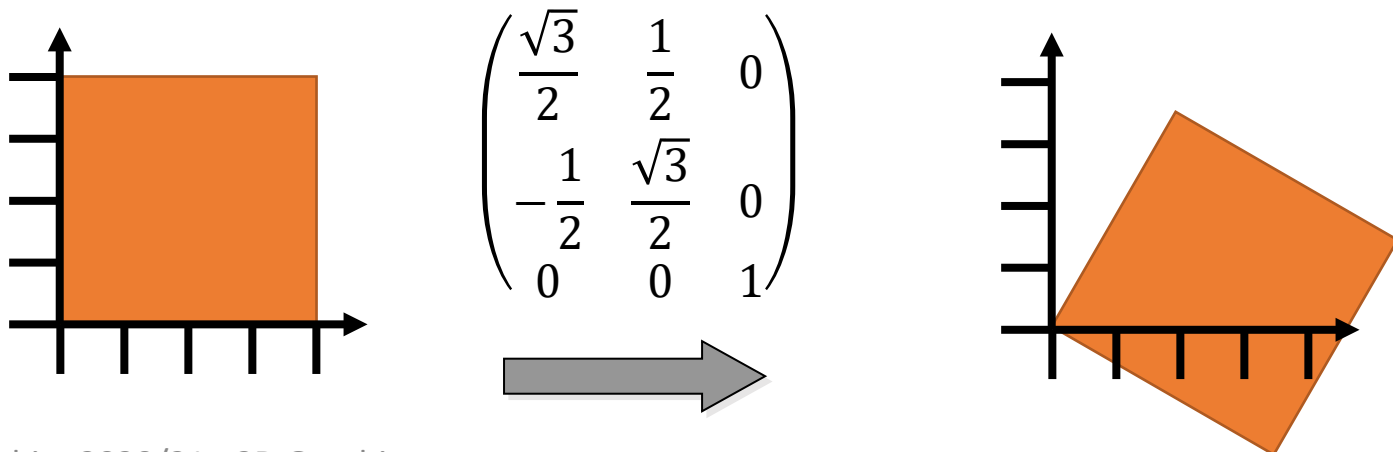


Simple Rotation in 2D

- Rotation by 45° counter-clockwise

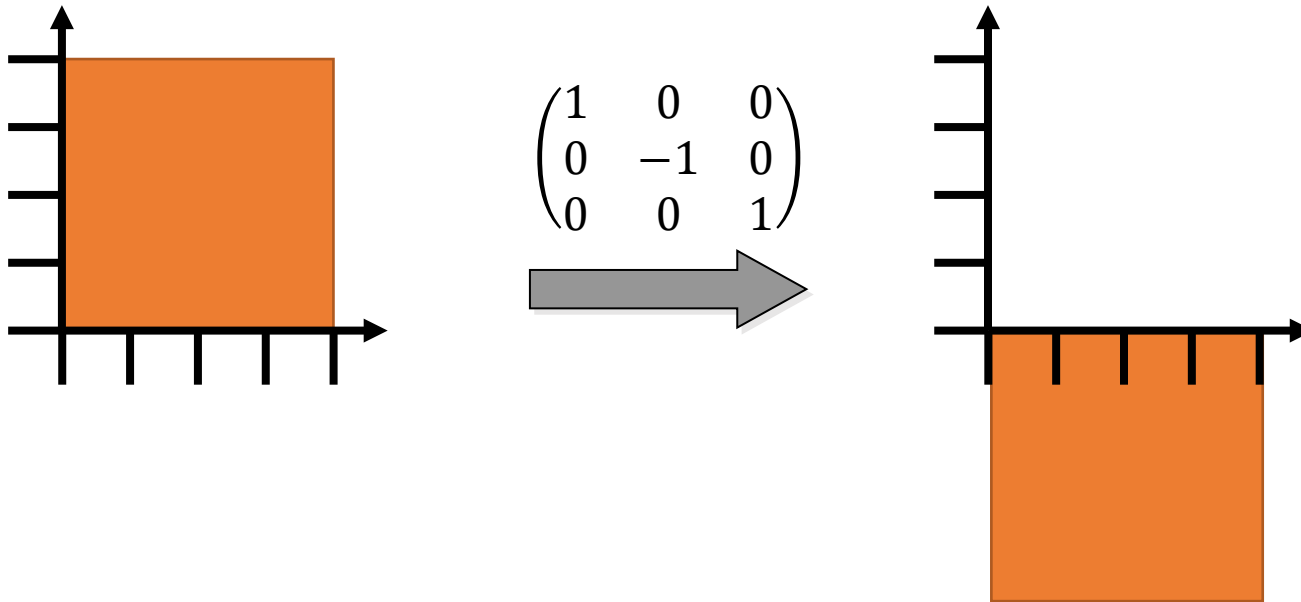


- Rotation by 30° clockwise



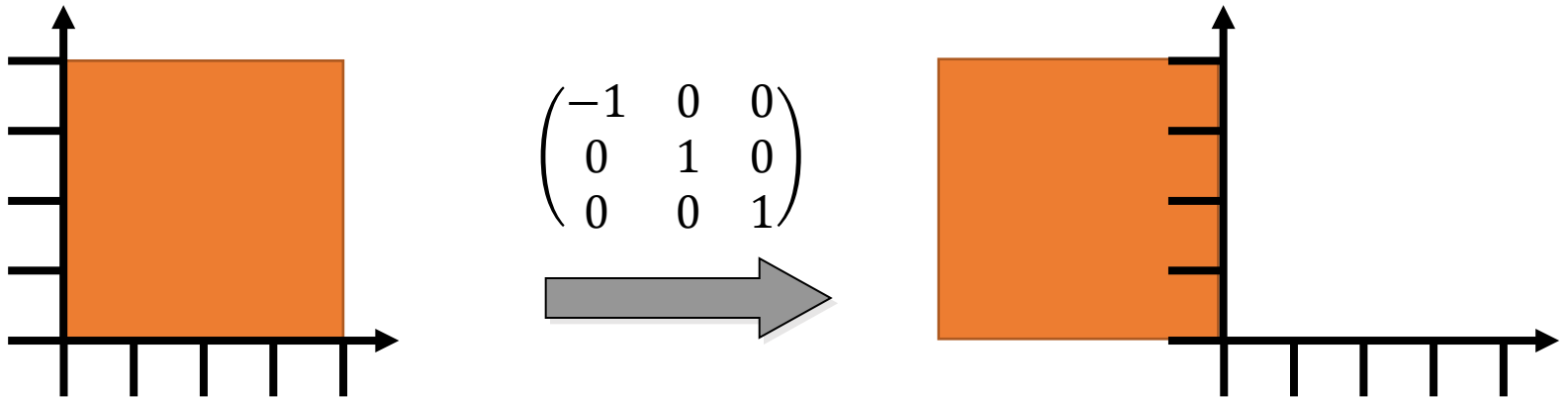
Reflection

- Reflection
 - Reflect a vector across either of the coordinate axes
 - Determinant of a reflection is negative
 - About x -axis (multiply y by -1):



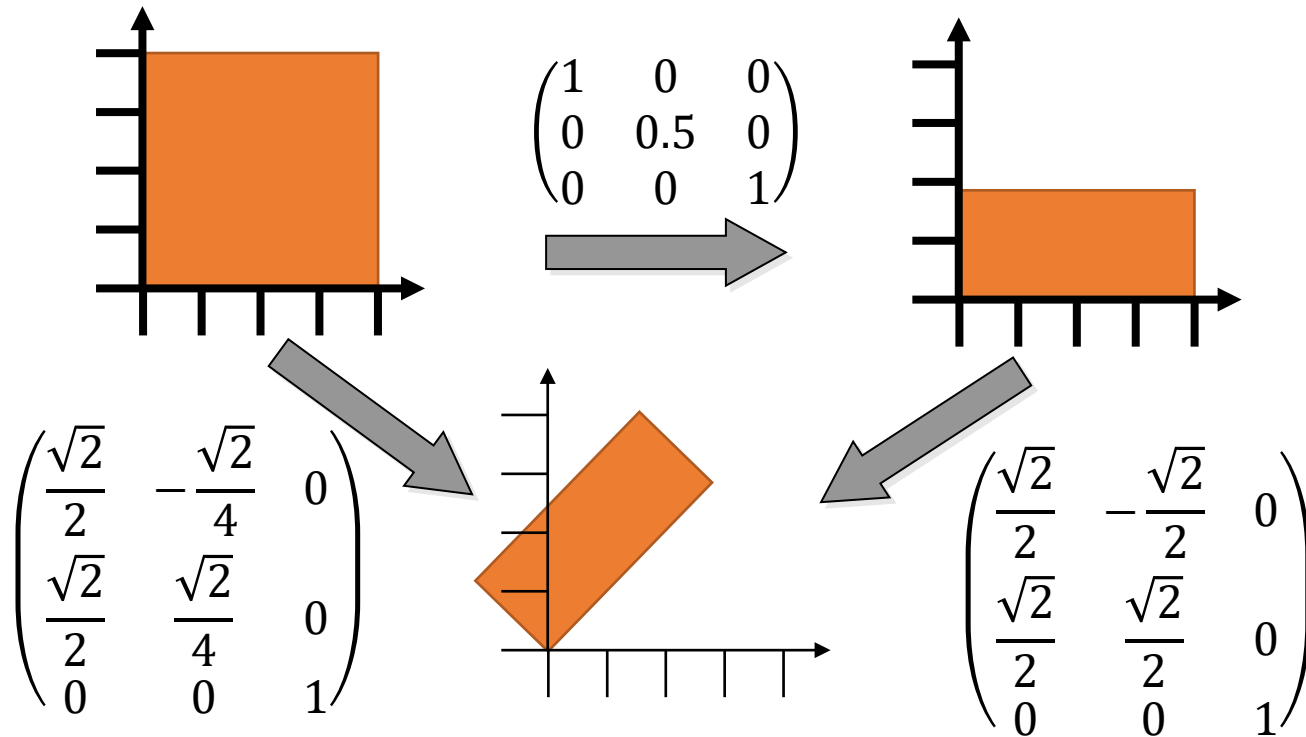
Reflection

- Across y -axis (multiply x coordinates by -1)



Linear Transformations

- Compositing of 2D transformations
 - First $v_2 = Sv_1$ then $v_3 = Rv_2$
 - Equivalently $v_3 = R(Sv_1) = (RS)v_1$



Linear Transformations

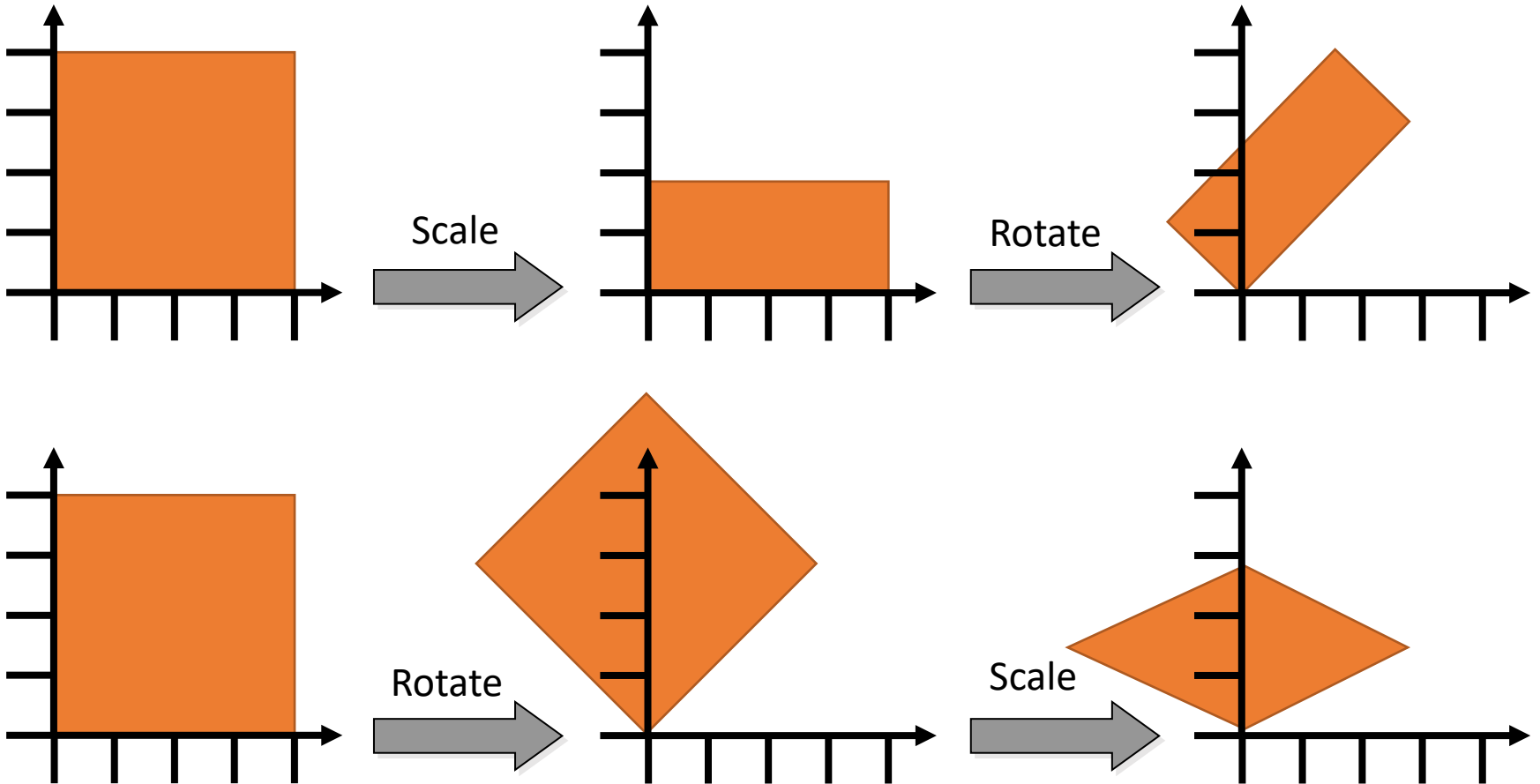
- Matrix multiplications are associative:

$$(RS)T = R(ST) \rightarrow v_3 = (RS)v_1 = Mv_1 \text{ with } M = RS$$

- Matrix multiplications are **not** commutative
 - **The order** of transformations **does matter !!!**
 - Note the difference
 - Scaling then rotating
 - Rotating then scaling

Linear Transformations

- Note that the order of transformations is important



Linear Transformations

- Decomposition of transformations
 - Write some transformation M as the product of certain classes of matrices
- In 2D: Decomposition of any linear 2D transform into product: rotation \rightarrow scale \rightarrow rotation = R_2SR_1
 - From existence of singular value decomposition (SVD) (Singulärwertzerlegung, Ausgleichsprobleme)
 - Note that the scale can have negative entries

Linear Transformations

- Example: shearing

- σ_i singular values, R_1 and R_2 rotations

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = R_2 \begin{pmatrix} \sigma_1 & 0 \\ 0 & \sigma_2 \end{pmatrix} R_1 \\ = \begin{pmatrix} 0.851 & -0.526 \\ 0.526 & 0.851 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1.618 & 0 \\ 0 & 0.618 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0.526 & 0.851 \\ -0.851 & 0.526 \end{pmatrix}$$



R_1



SR_1



R_2SR_1

Linear Transformations

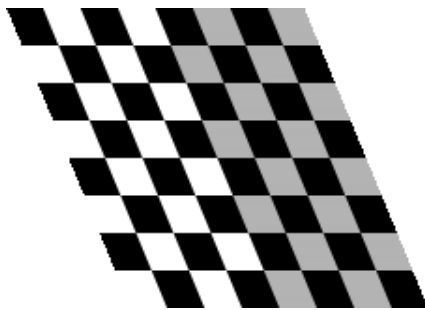
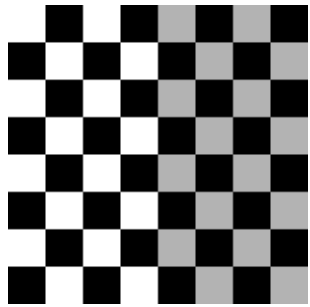
- Matrix decomposition: represent rotations with shears

$$\begin{pmatrix} \cos \phi & -\sin \phi \\ \sin \phi & \cos \phi \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \frac{\cos \phi - 1}{\sin \phi} \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ \sin \phi & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \frac{\cos \phi - 1}{\sin \phi} \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

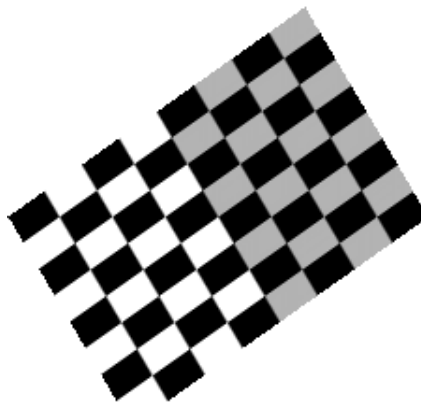
- Useful for raster rotation
 - Very efficient raster operation for images: only column-wise and row-wise operations!
 - Introduces some jaggies but no holes

Linear Transformations

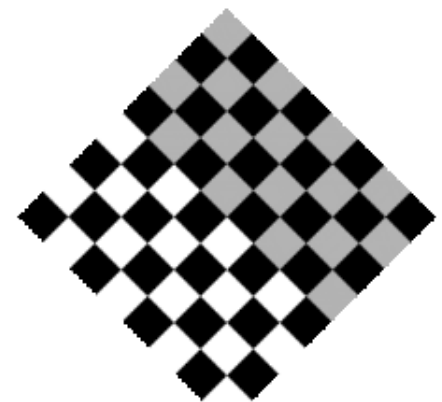
$$\bullet \text{rotate}\left(\frac{\pi}{4}\right) = S_3 S_2 S_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 - \sqrt{2} \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 - \sqrt{2} \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$



S_1



$S_2 S_1$



$S_3 S_2 S_1$

Linear Transformations

- Images – simple raster rotation
 - Take raster position (i, j) and apply horizontal shear

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & s \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} i \\ j \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} i + sj \\ j \end{pmatrix}$$

- Round sj to nearest integer: in every row a constant shift
- Move each row sideways by a different amount
- Resulting image has no gaps

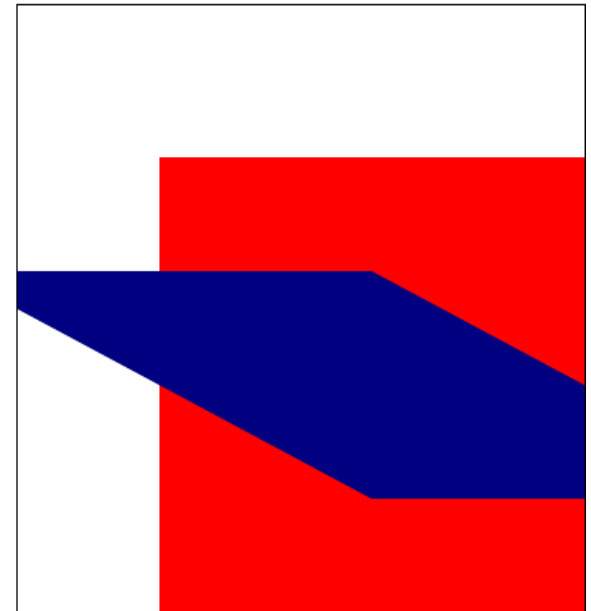
Example

- Affine Transformations with the HTML Canvas

Matrices

```
1 var context = canvas.getContext("2d");
2 context.resetTransform();
3
4 context.setTransform(1,0,0,1,0,0);
5 context.fillStyle = "red";
6 context.fillRect(100,100,300,300);
7
8 context.setTransform(1,0,1,.5,-250,125);
9 context.fillStyle = "navy";
10 context.fillRect(100,100,300,300);
```

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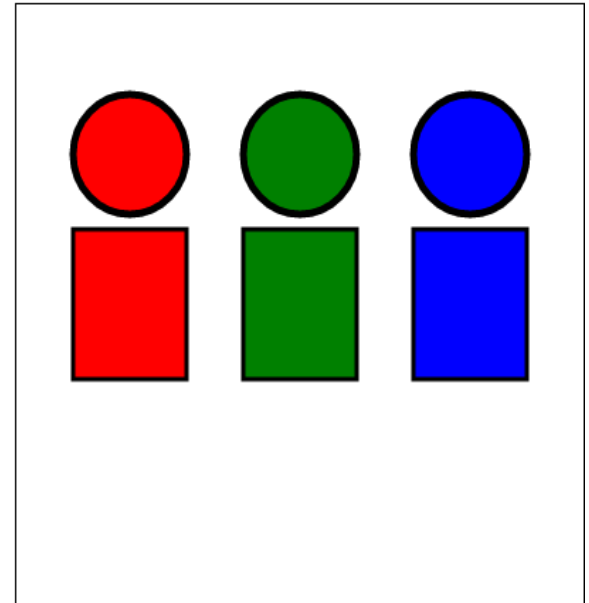
HTML5 SVG (Scalable Vector Graphics)

- **Scene Graph based** Graphics APIs
- contains primitives as children, including their attributes (note the slightly different attribute names)

Circles and rectangles ▾

```
i 1 <circle cx="80" cy="100" r="40" stroke="black" stroke-width="5" fill="red"></circle>
2 <circle cx="200" cy="100" r="40" stroke="black" stroke-width="5" fill="green"></circle>
3 <circle cx="320" cy="100" r="40" stroke="black" stroke-width="5" fill="blue"></circle>
4 <rect x="40" y="150" width="80" height="100" stroke="black" stroke-width="3" fill="red"></rect>
5 <rect x="160" y="150" width="80" height="100" stroke="black" stroke-width="3" fill="green"></rect>
6 <rect x="280" y="150" width="80" height="100" stroke="black" stroke-width="3" fill="blue"></rect>
```

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- for more information see:
<https://developer.mozilla.org/de/docs/Web/SVG>

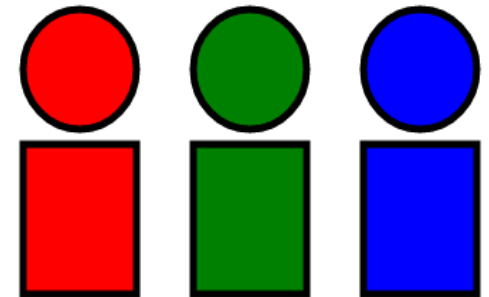
HTML5 SVG (Scalable Vector Graphics)

- primitives can be grouped using a group node with tag “g”
 - nodes form a tree
 - attributes from inner nodes are valid for entire subtree

Groups

```
i 1 <g stroke="black" stroke-width="5">
2   <g fill="red">
3       <circle cx="80" cy="100" r="40"></circle>
4       <rect x="40" y="150" width="80" height="100"></rect>
5   </g>
6   <g fill="green">
7       <circle cx="200" cy="100" r="40"></circle>
8       <rect x="160" y="150" width="80" height="100"></rect>
9   </g>
10  <g fill="blue">
11      <circle cx="320" cy="100" r="40"></circle>
12      <rect x="280" y="150" width="80" height="100"></rect>
13  </g>
14 </g>
```

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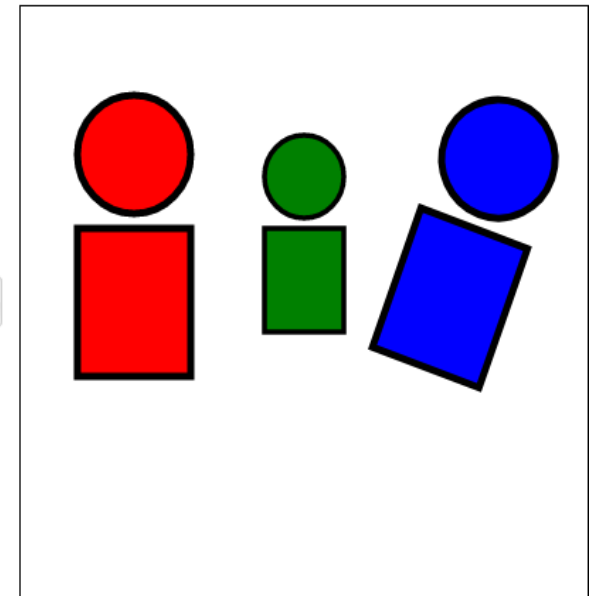
HTML5 SVG (Scalable Vector Graphics)

- nodes can be transformed using an attribute “transform”

Transformations ▼

```
i 1 <g stroke="black" stroke-width="5">
2   <g fill="red" transform="translate(80,150)">
3     <circle cy="-50" r="40"></circle>
4     <rect x="-40" width="80" height="100"></rect>
5   </g>
6   <g fill="green" transform="matrix(0.7 0 0 0.7 200 150)">
7     <circle cy="-50" r="40"></circle>
8     <rect x="-40" width="80" height="100"></rect>
9   </g>
10  <g fill="blue" transform="translate(320,150) rotate(20)">
11    <circle cy="-50" r="40"></circle>
12    <rect x="-40" width="80" height="100"></rect>
13  </g>
14 </g>
```

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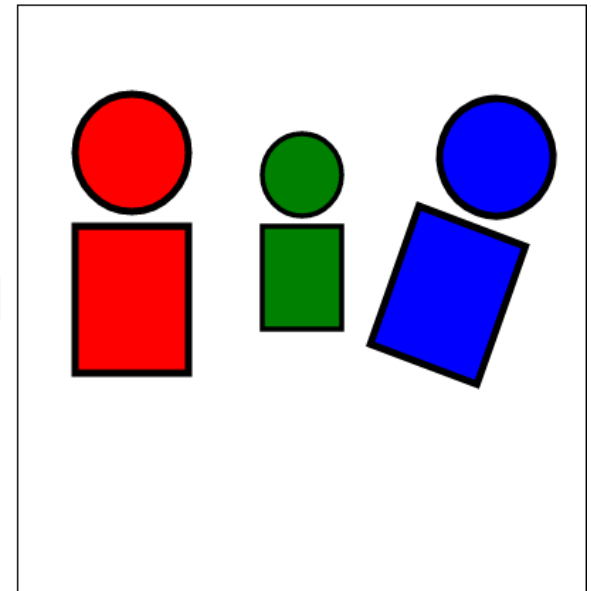
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- In the previous example the leaf nodes are identical
- reuse one instance multiple times → use elements

Scene Graph

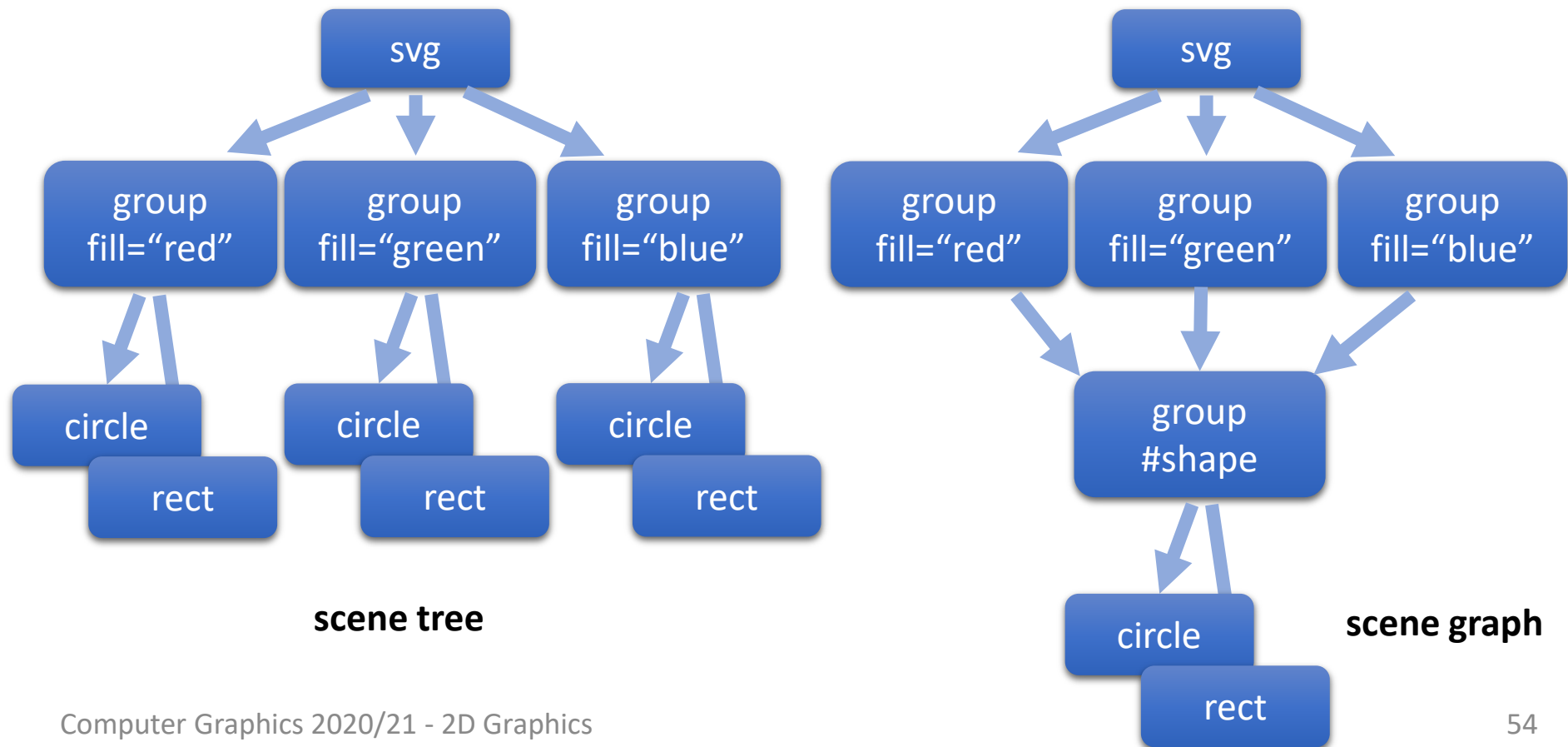
```
i 1 <defs>
2   <g id="shape">
3     <circle cy="-50" r="40"></circle>
4     <rect x="-40" width="80" height="100"></rect>
5   </g>
6 </defs>
7 <g stroke="black" stroke-width="5">
8   <g fill="red" transform="translate(80,150)">
9     <use xlink:href="#shape"></use>
10  </g>
11 <g fill="green" transform="matrix(0.7 0 0 0.7 200 150)">
12   <use xlink:href="#shape"></use>
13 </g>
14 <g fill="blue" transform="translate(320,150) rotate(20)">
15   <use xlink:href="#shape"></use>
16 </g>
17 </g>
```

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Scene Graph

- reusing nodes turns the **scene tree** into a **scene graph**
- more precisely, a directed acyclic graph = DAG
- such a graph can be traversed just like a tree



Scene Graph

- universal data structure to describe scenes
→ hierarchical modeling
- to render such a scene graph, we have to
 - traverse graph depth first
 - remember current attributes
 - accumulate transformations
 - rasterize leaf nodes with these attributes and transformations
- We will come back to scene graphs later on

Next lectures ...

- Rasterization of lines and Polygons