COEN 290 Computer Graphics I

Santa Clara University

Introductions

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Course Goals

- Develop demonstrable skills in Computer Graphics
  - utilizing the necessary mathematics
- Demonstrate an understanding of the required programming concepts
  - we'll be using C / C++
- Have fun doing cool stuff

Syllabus

- Grading
  - programming labs
  - midterm
  - final
  - homework
  - class participation

Course Texts

- Required
  - *Interactive Computer Graphics - A top-down approach using OpenGL (2nd Edition)*
    - by Edward Angel
- Recommended
  - *The OpenGL Programming Guide (3rd Edition)*
    - by Mason Woo, Jackie Neider, Tom Davis, Dave Shreiner

Finding Course Information

- Web Site

  `http://plunk.org/COEN-290`
  - one-stop shopping for information
- Email Alias

  `coen290@plunk.org`
  - use this for most correspondence
  - email `{grantham,shreiner}@plunk.org` for personal issues

Your First Assignment

- Send an email to the class alias with your preferred email address(es)

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Evening's Goals

- Introduce many of the concepts that we'll be discussing over the quarter
- Describe the process of 3D modelling
- Provide an overview of the rendering library we'll be using
- Set up you for your first assignment

Motivation for Learning Graphics

- Entertainment
- Training and Simulation
- Art
- Publications
- Scientific Visualization
- Computer Aided Design / Engineering

The Essence of Computer Graphics

"Figuring out what colors to make those dots on the screen"

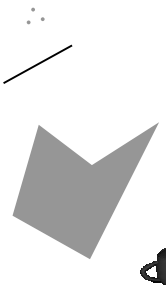
-me

The Tools of the Trade

- Rendering Primitives
- Mathematical Transformations
- Graphical Techniques
  - simulating lighting
  - texture mapping
  - shading models

Rendering Primitives

- Geometric primitives
  - points
  - lines
  - polygons
- Image primitives



Mathematical Transformations

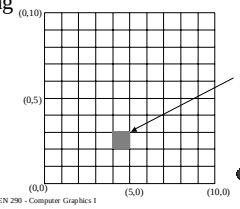
- Use transformations for moving from one coordinate space to another
- The good news
  - only requires multiplication and addition
- The bad news
  - its multiplication and addition of matrices

Mathematical Transformations (cont.)

- Coordinate spaces we'll be using
  - model
  - world
  - eye
  - normalized device (NDC's)
  - window
  - screen
  - viewport

Screen Space

- Addressable space of your display device
  - 2 dimensional space
- Most often measured in *pixels*
  - integer addressing



Framebuffers

- Computer memory for storing screen space
  - pixels addresses converted into memory addresses
- Pixels can contain different types of information
  - color
  - depth

Framebuffer Size

- Usually measured in *bitplanes*
  - also referred to as *bits per pixel*
- "Deeper" the pixels, the more information they can hold

Window Coordinates

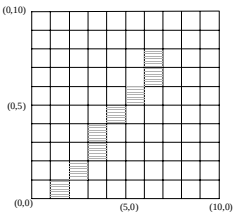
- Addressable space of your window
  - subset of screen space
    - 2D space
  - measured in pixels
  - controlled by your windowing system

Rasterization

- Process of converting primitives into pixels
  - topic of a future class

From this ...

To this ...



What we'll be using as our Toolbox

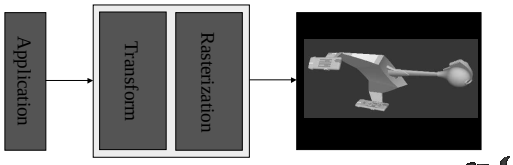
- Some home-rolled stuff
- OpenGL
  - industry standard graphics library
  - available on almost all computing platforms
    - Unix, Linux, Macintosh, Microsoft Windows
- GLUT
  - portable OpenGL windowing library
  - tightly integrated with OpenGL

OpenGL

- Application Programming Interface (API)
  - simple procedural interface
  - over 400 calls
- Immediate gratification
  - see what you draw immediately
  - also implements "retained" mode
- Not photo-realistic
  - meant for interactive applications

OpenGL's Rendering Pipeline

- OpenGL implements a *rendering pipeline*
  - *rendering* is the name for the entire process



Graphics Pipeline

Quick Introduction to OpenGL Commands

- OpenGL and related libraries
  - "Core" OpenGL **`gl`**
  - OpenGL Utility Library **`glu`**
  - OpenGL Utility Toolkit **`glut`**
- GLU commands implemented in core GL
- GLUT is a freeware library
  - abstracts away dealing with a specific window system

Preliminaries

- Header files

```
#include <GL/gl.h>
#include <GL/glu.h>
#include <GL/glut.h>
```

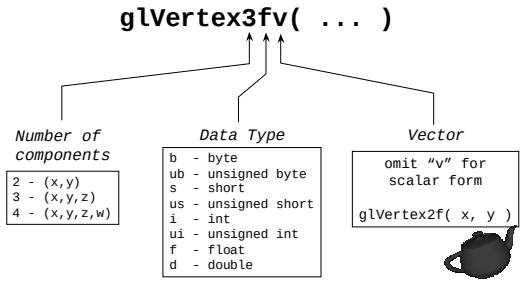
- Link with graphics libraries

```
cc prog.c -lglut -lGLU -lGL -lX11 -lXmu -o prog
cl proc.c glut32.lib glu32.lib opengl32.lib \
    gdi32.lib user32.lib
```

- GL enumerated types
  - for platform independence

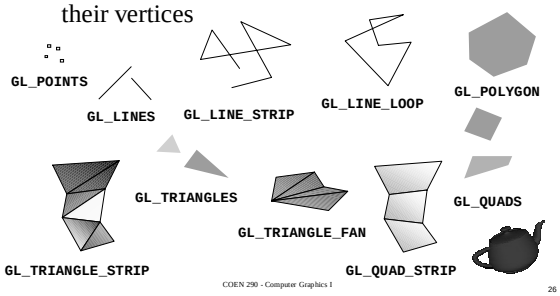
```
GLbyte, GLshort, GLushort, GLint, GLuint, GLsizei,
GLfloat, GLdouble, GLclampf, GLclampd, GLubyte,
GLboolean, GLenum, GLbitfield
```

OpenGL Command Syntax



OpenGL Geometric Primitives

- All geometric primitives are specified by their vertices



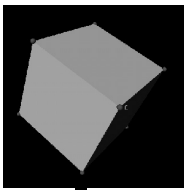
Specifying Primitives

- Primitives are described by their vertices
- *Vertex* is a point in space which is used in the construction of a geometric primitive
- Described by a *homogenous coordinate*

$$(x \quad y \quad z \quad w)$$

Modeling

- Process of
  1. organizing vertices into primitives
  2. organizing primitives into objects
  3. organizing objects into a scene



Specifying an OpenGL Vertex

- Recall OpenGL specifies geometric primitives by its vertices

```
glVertex3f( x, y, z );
```

- Different primitives require different numbers of vertices

Actually Drawing Something ...

- Here's an OpenGL sequence to draw a square centered around the origin

```
glBegin( GL_QUADS );
glVertex2f( -0.8, -0.8 );
glVertex2f(  0.8, -0.8 );
glVertex2f(  0.8,  0.8 );
glVertex2f( -0.8,  0.8 );
glEnd();
```

Adding Personality to Primitives

- *State* (or *Attributes*)
  - data required for computing colors for primitives
- Examples
  - color
  - reflectivity
  - surface texture

Specifying a Vertex's Color

- Use the OpenGL color command

```
glColor3f( r, g, b );
```

- Where you specify the color determines how the primitive is shaded
  - points only get one color

Flat Shading in OpenGL

- If you issue only one `glColor()` command per primitive

```
glColor3f( r, g, b );
glBegin( GL_TRIANGLES );
  glVertex3fv( v1 );
  glVertex3fv( v2 );
  glVertex3fv( v3 );
glEnd();
```

Gouraud Shading in OpenGL

- However, to get Gouraud, issue a color per vertex

```
glBegin( GL_TRIANGLES );
  glColor3fv( c1 );
  glVertex3fv( v1 );
  glColor3fv( c2 );
  glVertex3fv( v2 );
  glColor3fv( c3 );
  glVertex3fv( v3 );
glEnd();
```

Hacking Graphics Code

- Basics steps in going a graphics program
  1. open a window with proper attributes
  2. clear the window
  3. change attributes
  4. render stuff
  5. goto 3 as necessary

Opening a Window Using GLUT

```
void main( int argc, char** argv )
{
   glutInitWindowSize( 512, 512 );
   glutInitDisplayMode( GLUT_RGBA );
   glutCreateWindow( "my window" );

   init();

   glutDisplayFunc( drawScene );

   glutMainLoop();
}
```

OpenGL Initalization

- We'll use the init() routine for our one-time OpenGL state initialization
  - call after window has been created, but before first rendering call

```
void init( void )
{
  glClearColor( 1.0, 0.0, 0.0, 1.0 );
}
```

Rendering a Scene

```
void drawScene( void )
{
   glClear( GL_COLOR_BUFFER_BIT );

   glColor3f( 1, 1, 1 );
   glRectf( -0.9, -0.9, 0.9, 0.9 );

   glFlush();
}
```

More of your First Assignment

- Do what Brad says ...