




## Intro to OpenGL Animation Windows and Clipping

CS148: Intro to CG  
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## GL Examples

- Today will be a learn-by-doing sort of lecture... examples are more important than slides
- Example programs will be available on the web
- Today's class will be optimally fun if you encourage me to prod and poke at the code...



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- OpenGL conventions
- OpenGL program structure
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## OpenGL conventions

- Function names look like:
  - gl[action] [#][data type] [v](...)
  - Action tells you what the function does
  - Data type tells you what type (float, double, int, etc.) it works with
  - Number tells you how many it takes
  - A 'v' tells you that this function takes vector (pointer) input
- Top-level documentation only refers to functions by 'action'

## OpenGL Data types

Suffix	Data Type	C type	GL type
d	64-bit float	double	GLdouble
f	32-bit float	float	GLfloat
b	8-bit integer	char	GLbyte
i	32-bit integer	int	GLint, GLsizei
ub	8-bit unsigned	unsigned char	GLubyte, GLboolean
s	16-bit int	short	GLshort
us	16-bit unsigned	unsigned short	GLushort
ui	32-bit unsigned	unsigned int	GLuint, GLenum, GLbitfield

## Examples

```
void glVertex3f(GLfloat x, GLfloat y, GLfloat z)

void glColor3b(GLbyte red, GLbyte green, GLbyte blue)

void glMaterialfv(GLenum face, GLenum pname, const GLfloat *params)
```

## GL Errors

- Almost all functions return void
- If you want to find out whether there was an error, you need to call `glGetError()`
- `glGetError()` is, in technical terms, crazy stupid (editor's opinion)
- It's usually easier to track down your problem without error codes

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## When do I draw stuff?

- GLUT can give you a callback when the window *needs* to be redrawn
  - `glutDisplayFunc`, `glutReshapeFunc`
  - Not useful for animation
- GLUT can give you a callback whenever it's not busy or every few milliseconds
  - `glutIdleFunc`, `glutTimerFunc`
- You *can* also draw whenever you want
  - `pp1`, for example, draws in response to mouse events

## An OpenGL Drawing Function

```
void drawMyStuff(void) {  
    // Clear the window  
    glClear(GL_COLOR_BUFFER_BIT);  
  
    // Do my drawing  
    glBegin(SOME_PRIMITIVE_TYPE);  
    ...  
    glEnd();  
    glBegin(SOME_OTHER_PRIMITIVE_TYPE);  
    ...  
    glEnd();  
  
    // I'm really done, put my pixels on the screen  
    glFlush();  
}
```

## Drawing GL Primitives

```
// Set up color, texture, location, etc.  
glColor3f(1.0f,0.0f,0.0f);  
  
// Tell GL what kind of data to get ready for  
glBegin(GL_POINTS);  
  
    // Draw vertices  
    glVertex3d(1.0,2.0,5.0);  
    glVertex3d(2.0,3.0,10.0);  
  
    // Maybe change some properties  
    // and maybe draw some more vertices  
  
// Tell GL you're done drawing for a while  
glEnd();
```

## Too many slides without a picture



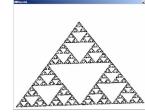
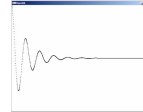
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## Important GL Primitives: Points

- GL\_POINTS
  - Treats each vertex as a single point. Vertex  $n$  defines point  $n$ .  $N$  points are drawn.
- glPointSize(GLfloat size)
  - Sets the diameter (pixel) of points. Subtext: A GL\_POINT is not necessarily a pixel

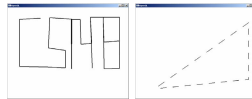
[simple.cpp mathfunc.cpp sier.cpp]



## Important GL Primitives: Lines

- GL\_LINES
  - Treats each pair of vertices as a line segment.  $N/2$  lines are drawn.
- GL\_LINE\_STRIP
  - Draws a connected group of line segments from the first vertex to the last.  $N-1$  lines are drawn.
- GL\_LINE\_LOOP
  - Like GL line strip but it connects the last point to the first point.
- glLineWidth(GLfloat width);
  - Specifies the width of lines (in pixels)

[polyline.cpp stip.cpp]



## Important GL Primitives: Polygons

- GL\_TRIANGLES
  - Treats each triplet of vertices as a triangle segment.  $N/3$  triangles are drawn.
- GL\_TRIANGLE\_STRIP
  - Draws a connected group of triangles; each new vertex starting from the third adds a new triangle.
- GL\_QUADS, GL\_QUAD\_STRIP
  - glRect is a shortcut for begin/quad/end
- GL\_POLYGON

[polygons.cpp, mystery1.cpp, mystery2.cpp]

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## Animation 1 (mousemv.cpp)

```
// somewhere in main()
glutMotionfunc(myMouseMove);

void myMouseMove (int x, int y) {

    // put the origin at the bottom-left
    y = screenHeight - mousey;
    glClear(GL_COLOR_BUFFER_BIT);
    make_ngon(x, y, 300, 60);
    glFlush();
}
```

***“What’s wrong with this approach?”***  
-Dan Morris, 2005, every single lecture

## Single-buffering

- All drawing takes place to a single framebuffer
- Graphics hardware scans buffer whenever it feels like it
- Memory-efficient
- Good for static scenes
- Prone to flickering

**Why is flickering worse for large objects?**

## Double-buffering

- Only update the “real” framebuffer when you’re *finished* drawing
- Do all your drawing to a separate framebuffer
- Swap the buffers once per frame
- Terminology:
  - The “front buffer” is shown on the screen
  - The “back buffer” is where you draw

**What are some disadvantages of double-buffering?**

## Double-buffering in OpenGL

GLUT / CS148:

```
// glutInitDisplayMode(GLUT_SINGLE | GLUT_RGB);  
glutInitDisplayMode(GLUT_DOUBLE | GLUT_RGB);
```

```
// glFlush();  
glutSwapBuffers();
```

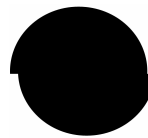
Functions you might see down the road:

```
// For non-GLUT windows GL apps  
SwapBuffers(hdc);
```

```
// If you need to manually control the current buffer...  
glDrawBuffer(GL_BACK); // or GL_FRONT
```

## Tearing

- If the buffer-swap happens while you’re drawing, can get part of one “finished” frame and part of another
- Solution: hardware makes sure not to buffer-swap while the monitor is refreshing
- Downside: your program blocks



**Which way was this circle moving?**

## Animated OpenGL programs

- `glutIdleFunc()`: please give me CPU time to think
- `glutPostRedisplay()`: please call my display function sometime soon
- Recommended software design:
  - Update your virtual world in `idle()`
  - Do all your drawing in `display()`

## Animation: Using time

- Bad (but common) way to move an object at constant velocity:

```
void idle() {  
    object_position += MAGIC_NUMBER;  
}
```

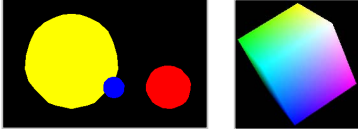
**What’s wrong with this approach?**

```
void idle() {  
    double curtime = CS148::getTime();  
    double elapsed = last_time - curtime;  
    object_position += MAGIC_NUMBER * elapsed;  
    last_time = curtime;  
}
```

## Animation examples

[animate.cpp rgb.cpp]

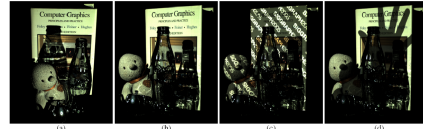
- o Also some great hints about what's coming next:
  - 3D positions
  - 3D transformations
  - OpenGL matrix stack



## SIGGRAPH video break

Dual Photography, Pradeep Sen at al, SIGGRAPH 2005

- o Terms:
  - Helmholtz reciprocity
  - Re-lighting

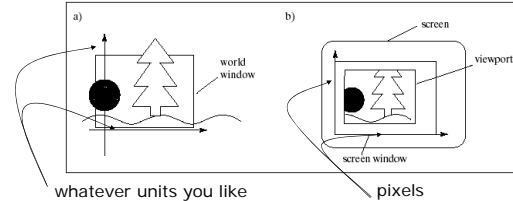


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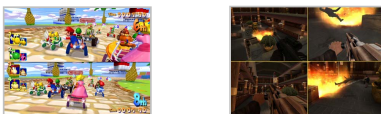
## World Windows and Viewports

- o *World window*: what part of my model should OpenGL display?
- o *Viewport*: where should that image go in the window?



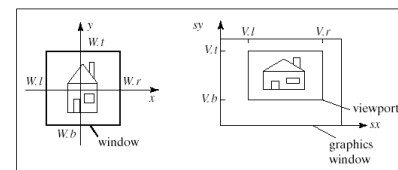
## World Windows and Viewports in GL

- o gluOrtho2D(left, right, bottom, top)
  - Show the part of my 2D world that lives in this rectangle
- o glViewport(left, bottom, w, h)
  - Use only this rectangle within my window
- o Games often use multiple viewports



## Aspect Ratio

- o World window is always mapped to the viewport
- o If they don't have the same *aspect ratio* (width / height), the image will be distorted



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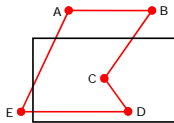
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## Clipping

- Pixels don't get drawn outside the viewport
- A "clipper" takes all primitives that would end up partially outside the viewport and "clips" them so they fit
- Throws away primitives that are entirely outside the viewport
- Lives between vertex input and the rasterizer
- So why do we care?

## Clipping for lines

- A line-clipper:
  - Does nothing for lines in the window (CD)
  - Eliminates lines outside the window (AB)
  - Clips endpoints for lines that are partially in the window (ED, BC, AE)



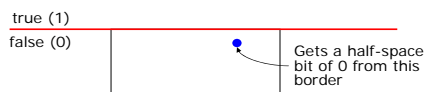
## Clipping, take one

- compute line equations ( $y = mx + b$ ) for the four sides of the clip region;
- for each line to be clipped
  - compute the intersection with each clip region border (two equations, two unknowns)
  - if the line intersects all clip borders outside the box, throw it out
  - ...handle the other cases...

**What's wrong with this approach?**

## Cohen-Sutherland clipping

- A border of the clipping region is defined by a line
- This line defines two "half-spaces"
- We'll call the half-space that's outside the clipping region "true"
- A point gets a "half-space bit" from each line



## Half-space codes

- The "half-space code" for a point is a 4-bit code containing hs-bits for the four lines
  - We'll put bits in the order (l,r,b,t)

**What's the hs code for the blue point?  
Where would a point with hs code 0010 be located?**



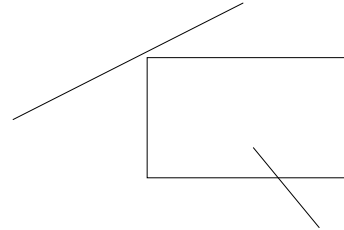
## Half-space codes for segments

- Given half-space codes  $c_1$  and  $c_2$  for two ends of a segment, how do we check the trivial (both endpoints) inside-outside cases?
  - Trivially-inside:  $(c_1 == 0) \ \&\& \ (c_2 == 0)$
  - Trivially-outside:  $c_1 \ \& \ c_2$

1001	0001	0101
1000	0000	0100
1010	0010	0010

## Lots of possibilities

- Even after we take care of the trivial cases, we could be entirely outside or partially outside



## Cohen-Sutherland algorithm

- Clip one point to one edge at a time
- Keep going until you find a trivial case
- Assume we have the clip region stored in variables  $x_{min}$ ,  $x_{max}$ ,  $y_{min}$ ,  $y_{max}$
- Here's a function to generate a half-space code for a point:

```
int code(float x, float y) {
    return (
        (x < xmin) << 3 | (x > xmax) << 2 |
        (y < ymin) << 1 | (y > ymax)
    );
}
```

```
void clip (float x1, float y1, float x2, float y2) {
    int c1 = code(x1,y1), c2 = code(x2,y2);
    float dx, dy;

    while (c1 | c2) {
        if (c1 & c2) return;
        dx = x2 - x1; dy = y2 - y1;
        if (c1) {
            if (c1 & 8){y1 += dy * (xmin-x1)/dx; x1 = xmin; }
            else if (c1 & 4){y1 += dy * (xmax-x1)/dx; x1 = xmax; }
            else if (c1 & 2){x1 += dx * (ymin-y1)/dy; y1 = ymin; }
            else if (c1 & 1){x1 += dx * (ymax-y1)/dy; y1 = ymax; }
            c1 = code(x1, y1);
        } else {
            if (c2 & 8){y2 += dy * (xmin-x2)/dx; x2 = xmin; }
            else if (c2 & 4){y2 += dy * (xmax-x2)/dx; x2 = xmax; }
            else if (c2 & 2){x2 += dx * (ymin-y2)/dy; y2 = ymin; }
            else if (c2 & 1){x2 += dx * (ymax-y2)/dy; y2 = ymax; }
            c2 = code(x2, y2);
        }
    }
    linedraw(x1, y1, x2, y2);
}
```

## Next Time

- A bit more OpenGL
  - Display lists
  - Vertex arrays
- 2D Transformations

