Display Lists 2D Transformations



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Outline for today

- Moving Data Around
- 2D Transformations
- SIGGRAPH video break
- Matrix Transformations
- \circ Composite Transformations

Sending data to the video card

- OpenGL needs to know where you want to put your vertices
- \circ There are several ways to send your vertices to the video hardware
- The first part of today's lecture will explore three different ways

Approach 1: Immediate Mode

 In "immediate mode" (everything so far in CS148), commands are sent to the video card immediately (hence the name)

// Somewhere in my drawing code: glBegin(GL_POINTS); glVertex2i(10,20); glVertex2i(40,50); glEnd();

What's wrong with this approach?

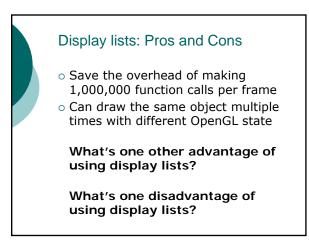
Approach 2: Display lists [list.cpp linelist.cpp stroke.cpp]

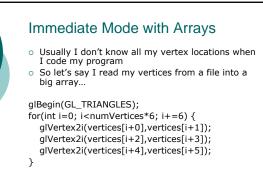
// Just once, in some initialization function:

// Ask OpenGL for one new display list
g_mySlickFerrariDL = glGenLists(1);

// Record the display list glNewList(g_mySlickFerrariDL, GL_COMPILE); glBegin(GL_TRIANGLES); // ...maybe millions of glVertex calls... // ...maybe change colors, other GL commands... glEnd(); glEndList();

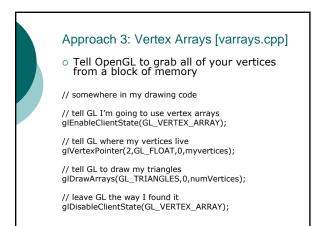
// Every frame I just need to do: glCallList(g_mySlickFerrariDL);





glEnd();

What's wrong with this approach?



Vertex Arrays: Pros and Cons

- Pro: Avoid the overhead of 1,000,000 function calls
- Pro: You can change the contents of the array whenever you want (unlike display lists)
- Con: Vertex data still gets copied every frame



What do super-hard-core game developers do?

- Method 4: Vertex buffer objects
- Allocate memory *on the video card*, only transfer once
- Similar to display lists but often faster

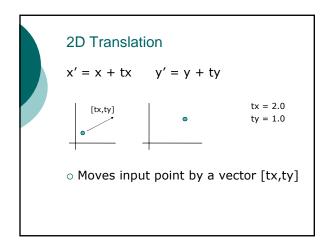


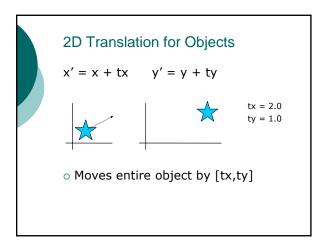
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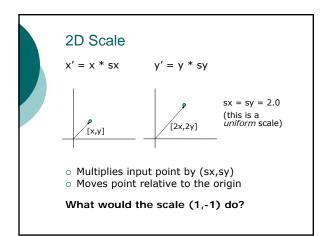
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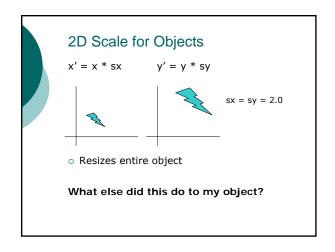
2D Transformations *Transformations* are functions that change the *position* of a *point*Take one point in Rⁿ, return another point in Rⁿ If we apply a transformation to every point in an object, we can change the *shape* or *position* of the

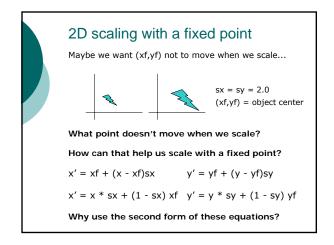
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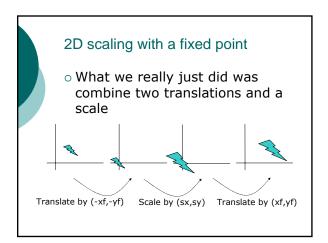


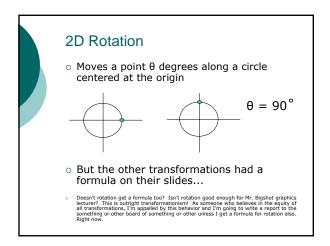


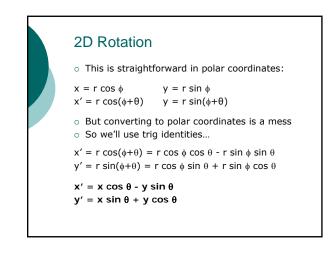


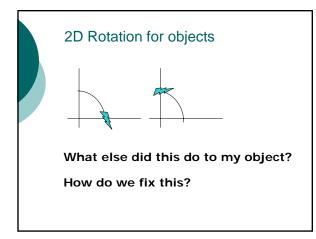


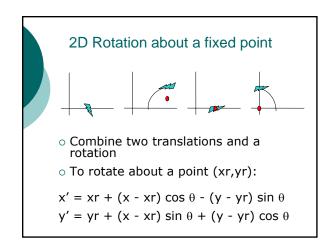


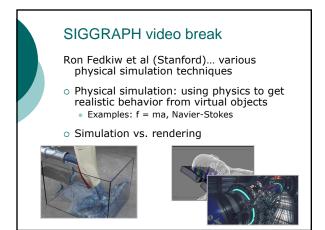


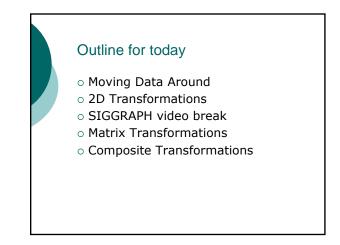


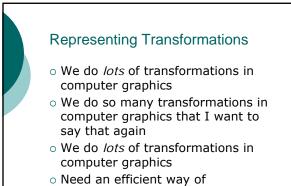


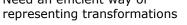














 \circ Write a point (x,y) as a triple:

[xh,yh,w]

...where $xh = x^*w$, $yh = y^*w$

 w is called the 'homogeneous coordinate' and is usually equal to one

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\circ When w = 1, x = xh and y = yh
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