Special Topics in OpenGL

Rasterization

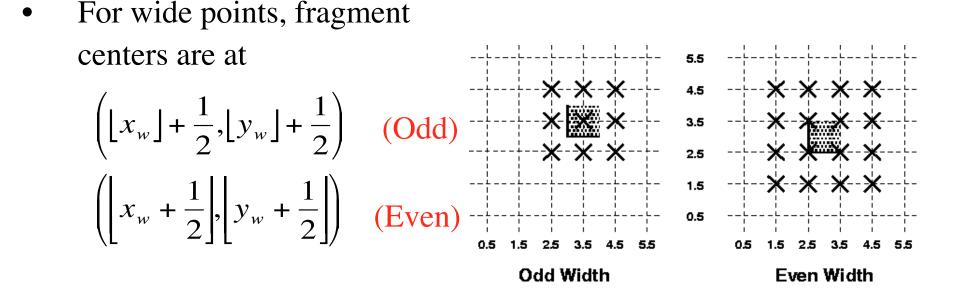
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What is Rasterization?

- Is a process by which a primitive is converted to a 2D image
 - Determine which squares of an integer grid in window coordinates are occupied by the primitive
 - Assign a color and a depth value to each square
- A grid square along with its assigned color and depth is called a fragment
- The results of the process are passed to the next stage of per-fragment operations

Point Rasterization

• Point is rasterized as a single fragment truncating its (x_w, y_w) coordinates to integers



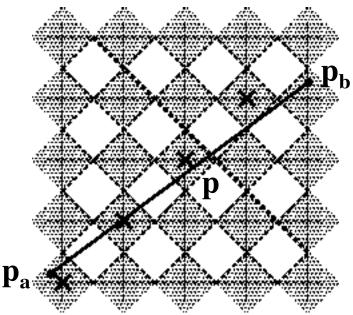
• The data associated with each rasterized fragment is the same as that of the vertex

Line Segment Rasterization

- Diamond-exit rule to determine the fragments produced by rasterization
- Specify the data associate with each rasterized fragment

$$f = \frac{(1-t)f_a / w_a + tf_b / w_b}{(1-t) / w_a + t / w_b}$$

Where
$$t = \frac{(p - p_a) \cdot (p_b - p_a)}{|p_b - p_a|^2}$$



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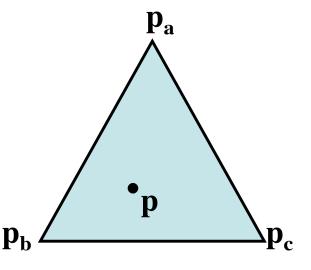
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Polygon Rasterization

- Point sampling
 - Rasterized fragment centers lie inside the projected polygon
 - If two or more polygons share the same fragment, it is rasterized by one of them
- Specify the data associated with each rasterized fragment

$$f = \frac{af_a / w_a + bf_b / w_b + cf_c / w_c}{a / w_a + b / w_b + c / w_c}$$

 $p = ap_a + bp_b + cp_c$ defines any point in a triangle with barycentric coordinates (a, b, and c)



Antialiasing

- Lines (nearly horizontal or vertical) appear zagged
- Reducing this zaggedness is called antialiasing
 - Calculates a coverage value for each fragment based on the fraction of the pixel square on the screen that it would occur
 - Multiplies the fragment's alpha by its coverage
 - Use the resulting alpha to blend the fragment with the corresponding pixel already in the frame buffer
- Antialising points or lines or polygons
 Pass GL_POINT_SMOOTH or GL_LINE_SMOOTH or
 GL_POLYGON_SMOOTH to glEnable()
 Enable blending

Example: Aliased and antialiased lines

Framebuffer

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What is Framebuffer

- Each fragment has coordinate data which correspond to a pixel, as well as color and depth values
- Buffers (storages) to hold the various kinds of information of pixels
- OpenGL implementation supports the following buffers
 - Color buffer
 - Depth buffer
 - Stencil buffer
 - Accumulation buffer
 - The buffers are used to perform special tasks before pixels are finally written to the viewable color buffer
- A collection of these buffers is called framebuffer

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Color Buffers

- Color buffers are the ones to which you draw
 - > They contain RGBA data
- Stereoscopic viewing needs left and right color buffers for the left and right stereo images
- Double-buffered systems have front and back color buffers
- Non-displayable auxiliary color buffers can be used
- Minimum requirement is a front-left color buffer

Other Buffers

- Depth buffer (*z*-buffer):
 - Stores a depth value for each pixel
 - Depth is usually measured in terms of distance to the eye
 - Used for a hidden-surface removal
- Stencil buffer:
 - Stores the information to restrict drawing to certain portions of the screen
- Accumulation buffer:
 - Holds RGBA color data for accumulating a series of images into a final, composite image
 - When accumulation is finished, the result is copied back into the color buffer for viewing
 - Used for scene antialiasing, motion blur, simulating depth of field, and calculating soft shadows

Clearing Buffers

- Clearing the screen (or any of the buffers) is expensive
 Hardware can clear more than one buffer at once
- First, specify the current clearing values for each buffer void glClearColor(GLclampf red, GLclampf green, GLclampf blue, GLclampf alpha);
 void glClearDepth(GLclampf depth);
 void glClearStencil(GLuint s);
 void glClearAccum(GLclampf red, GLclampf green, GLclampf blue, GLclampf alpha);
- Then issue a single clear command

void glClear(GLbitfield mask);

mask is the bitwise logical OR of some combination of GL_COLOR_BUFFER_BIT, GL_DEPTH_BUFFER_BIT, GL_STECIL_BUFFER_BIT, and GL_ACCUM_BUFFER_BIT

Color Buffers for Writing and Reading

- void **glDrawBuffer**(GLenum *mode*);
 - > Selects the color buffers enabled for writing or clearing
 - mode can be GL_FRONT, GL_BACK, GL_LEFT, GL_RIGHT, GL_FRONT_LEFT, etc.
 - Default mode is GL_FRONT for single-buffered contexts and GL_BACK for double-buffered contexts
- void glReadBuffer(GLenum *mode*);
 Selects the color buffer enabled as the source for reading
 - pixels

Masking Buffers

- Sets the masks used to control writing into the indicated buffers
- void **glColorMask**(GLboolean *red*, GLboolean *green*, GLboolean *blue*, GLboolean *alpha*);
 - The red, green, blue and alpha values control whether corresponding component is written
- void **glDepthMask**(Glboolean *flag*);
 - *flag* is GL_TRUE for writing in depth buffer
- void **glStencilMask**(Gluint *mask*);
 - mask = 1 for writing the bit

Testing and Operating on Fragments

- After fragments are generated, several processing stages occur determining how and whether a given fragment is drawn as pixel into the framebuffer
- Set of tests:
 - Scissor test
 - > Alpha test
 - > Depth test
 - > Stencil test
 - Blending
 - Dithering
 - Logical operation

Scissor Test

- void **glScissor**(Glint *x*, Glint *y*, GLsizei *width*, GLsizei *height*);
 - Sets the location and size of the scissor rectangle or box
 - > By default, the rectangle matches the window
 - Drawing occurs only inside the rectangle: pixels lying inside the rectangle pass the scissor test
 - Needs enabling glEnable(GL_SCISSOR_TEST);

Alpha Test

- void **glAlphaFunc**(GLenum *func*, GLclampf *ref*);
 - Sets the reference value and comparison function for the alpha test
 - In RGBA mode, a fragment is accepted or rejected by the alpha test on its alpha value
 - By default, ref is zero, and func is GL_ALWAYS
 - func can be GL_ALWAYS, GL_NEVER, GL_LESS, GL_EQUAL, GL_LEQUAL, GL_GEQUAL, GL_GREATER or GL_NOTEQUAL
 - Needs enabling glEnable(GL_ALPHA_TEST);

Depth Test

• **glDepthFunc**(GLenum *func*);

- Sets the comparison function for the depth test
- > An incoming fragment passes the depth test if its z value has specified relation to the value already stored in the depth buffer
- ➢ By default, *func* is GL_LESS

Pixels with larger depth-buffer values are overwritten by pixels with smaller values

- *func* can be GL_ALWAYS, GL_EQUAL, GL_GREATER, etc.
- Needs enabling glEnable(GL_DEPTH_TEST);

Stencil Test

- The stencil test takes place only if there is a stencil buffer
 - It compares a reference value with the value stored at a pixel in the buffer
 - > Depending on the test result, the value in the stencil buffer is modified
- void **glStencilFunc**(GLenum *func*, GLint *ref*, GLuint *mask*);
 - Sets the comparison *func*, reference *ref* and *mask* for the test Comparison applies to those bits for which bits of the mask are 1
 - ➢ func can be GL_ALWAYS, GL_LESS, etc.
 - Needs enabling: glEnable(GL_STENCIL);
- **glStencilOp**(GLenum *fail*, GLenum *zfail*, GLenum *zpass*);
 - Specifies how the data in the stencil buffer is modified when a fragment passes or fails the stencil test
 - *fail, zfail, zpass* can be GL_KEEP, GL_ZERO, GL_REPLACE, GL_INCR, GL_DECR, GL_INVERT

fail = failed stencil test; *zfail* = failed *z* test; *zpass* = passed *z* test CSC 7443: Scientific Information Visualization BB Karki, LSU

Other Operations

- Blending
 - Combines the incoming fragment's R, G, B and A values with those of the pixel already stored at the location
- Dithering
 - Dither the values of red, green and blue on neighboring pixels for the perception of a wide range of colors Needs enabling with GL_DITHER
- Logical Operations
 - Are applied between the incoming fragment's color and the color stored at the corresponding location in the framebuffer
 - The result replaces the value in the framebuffer for that fragment void glLogicOp(GLenum opcode); opcode can be GL_CLEAR, GL_COPY, GL_AND, etc Needs enabling with GL_COLOR_LOGIC

Blending

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What Blending?

• Combining colors from a source (incoming fragment) and destination (the corresponding pixel) to achieve such effects as making objects appear translucent

The source and destination factors are RGBA quadruplets:
 (Sr, Sg, Sb, Sa) and (Dr, Dg, Db, Da)

• Blended RGBA values are

 $\succ (RsSr + RdDr, GsSg + GdDg, BsSb+BdDb, AsSa+AdDa)$

Where (Rs,Gs,Bs,As) and (Rd,Gd,Bd,Ad) are the RGBA values of source and destination

How to Specify?

• void **glBlendFunc**(GLenum *sfactor*, GLenum *dfactor*);

- Controls how color values in the fragment being processed (the source) are combined with those already stored in the framebuffer (the destination)
- *sfactor* (*dfactor*) indicates how to compute a source (destination)
 blending factor
 - GL_ONE: (1,1,1,1)
 - GL_SRC_ALPHA: (As,As,As,As)
 - GL_ONE_MINUS_SRC_ALPHA: (1,1,1,1)-(As,As,As,As)
- Needs enabling
 glEinable(GL_BEND);

3D Blending with the Depth Buffer

- For 3D objects, the appearance depends on whether you draw the polygons from back to front or from front to back
 drawing order
- Consider the effect of the depth buffer in determining the order
 - If an opaque object hides other objects, eliminate the more distant objects
- If the translucent object is closer, blend it with the opaque object
- Example: Sphere inside a Cube

Animation

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Pictures That Move

- Animation is an important part of computer graphics
- Seeing all sides of a mechanical part designed
- Learning to fly an airplane using a simulation
- Viewing molecular dynamics
- Viewing vector data

Motion = Redraw + Swap

- OpenGL provides double buffering (two color buffers)
 - One is displayed while the other is being drawn
 - When drawing of a frame is complete, the two buffers are swapped
 - Like a movie projector with only two frames in a loop
- void **glutSwapBuffers**(void);
 - Swap the viewable and drawable buffers
 - Waits until one frame is completely drawn and other is completely displayed
 - For a system with display refresh rate of 60 times per second, the fastest frame rate can be 60 frames per second
- void glutInitDisplayMode(GLUT_DOUBLE | GLUT_RGB);
 - Set double buffered window mode

Example: Solar System

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void display (void) {
    glClear (GL COLOR BUFFER BIT |GL DEPTH BUFFER BIT);
    glColor3f (1.0, 1.0, 1.0);
    glPushMatrix ();
    glRotatef (year, 0.0, 1.0, 0.0);
    glutSolidSphere (1.0, 80, 64);
    glTranslatef (2.0, 0.0, 0.0);
    glRotatef (day, 0.0, 1.0, 0.0);
    glutSolidSphere (0.2, 80, 64);
    glPopMatrix ();
    glutSwapBuffers ();
}
```

glutInitDisplayMode (GLUT_DOUBLE | GLUT_RGB);

• Sun is rotating about its own axis; planet is orbiting around the sun as well as rotating about its own axis The graphics remain idle between the frames

Hidden-Surface Removal

Hidden Surface?

- In a scene composed of 3D objects, some of them might obscure all or parts of others
- The obscuring relationship changes with viewpoint and needs to be properly maintained
- Hidden-surface removal is elimination of parts of solid objects that are obscured by others
- Otherwise, the objects are drawn in the order the drawing commands appear in the code
- Hidden-surface removal increases performance

Use of Depth Buffer

- Use of depth buffer (*z-buffer*) to achieve hidden surface removal
- Graphical calculations convert each surface (before drawing) to a set of corresponding pixels on the window and also compute depth value for each pixel
- A comparison is done with the depth value already stored at that pixel to accept the pixel only if it has a smaller depth
- Color and depth information of the incoming pixel with greater depth is discarded

How to Specify?

- In void glDepthFunc(Glenum *func*); Defualt value of *func* is used: GL_LESS used glEnable(GL_DEPTH_TEST);
- **glutInitDisplayMode** (GLUT_RGB | GLUT_DEPTH);
- Before drawing, each time you need to clear the depth buffer and draw objects in any order
 glClear(GL_COLOR_BUFFER_BIT | GL_DEPTH_BUFFER_BIT);

glClear() clears both color and depth buffers

• Planet hides behind the sun in solar system example

Drawing Pixel Data

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Geometric Versus Pixel Data

- Rendering of geometric data (arrays of vertices)
 - points, lines, polygons
- Rendering of pixel data (arrays of pixels)
 - Bitmaps

Characters in fonts Array of 0s and 1s(1 = the pixel is affected)

Serves as drawing mask for overlying another image

Image data

A photograph that is scanned or an image calculated by some program in memory by pixels or an image first drawn and then read back pixel by pixel

Several pieces of data per pixel (R,G,B,A values)

Simply overwrites in the framebuffer

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Current Raster Position

- void **glRasterPos**{234}{sifd}(*TYPE x*, *TYPE y*, *TYPE z*, *TYPE w*);
 - Sets the current raster position where the next bitmap (or image) is to be drawn
 - The raster position coordinates are subject to the modelview and projection transformations in the same way as the vertex coordinates

• To specify the raster position directly in the screen coordinates, only 2D version of transformations need to be specified

Drawing Bitmaps

- void glBitmap(GLsizei width, GLsizei height, GLfloat x_{bo}, GLfloat y_{bo}, GLfloat x_{bi}, GLfloat y_{bi}, const Glubyte *bitmap);
 - Draws the bitmap specified by *bitmap*
 - Width and height define size of the bitmap
 - Subscript *bo* means the origin of the bitmap
 - Subscript *bi* means increment to the current raster position after the bitmap is rasterized

Manipulating Images

- void **glReadPixels**(GLint *x*, GLint *y*, GLsizei *width*, GLsizei *height*, GLenum *format*, GLenum *type*, GLvoid **pixels*)
 - Reads pixel data from the *specified* framebuffer rectangle and stores data in the array pointed by *pixels*
 - *format* can be GL_RGBA, GL_RED, GL_ALPHA, GL_DEPTH_COMPONENT
 - $\succ type can be s, u, i, f, etc.$
- void **glDrawPixels**(GLsizei *width*, GLsizei *height*, GLenum *format*, GLenum *type*, GLvoid **pixels*)
 - > Draws a rectangle of pixel data with dimensions *width* and *height*
 - Pixel rectangle has its lower-left corner at the current raster position
- void **glCopyPixels**(GLint *x*, GLint *y*, GLsizei *width*, GLsizei *height*, GLenum *buffer*)

Copies pixel data from the specified framebuffer rectangle

Buffer can be GL_COLOR, GL_DEPTH, GL_STENCIL CSC 7443: Scientific Information Visualization • Make a checkerboard image

• Define raster position

• Draw an pixel rectangle of the image

Texture Mapping

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What is Texture Mapping?

- Gluing an image (such as scanned photograph) to a polygon
 - Bricks on wall
 - ➢ Ground in flight simulation
 - Vegetation
- Textures are rectangular arrays of data (colors, luminace)
 - Individual values are called texels
- Textures can be manipulated with transformations
 - Repeat textures in different directions to cover the surface
 - Apply textures in different shapes and sizes

Steps in Texturing

- Create a texture object and specify a texture for the object
- Indicate how the texture is to be applied to each pixel
- Enable texture mapping
- Draw the scene by supplying both texture and geometric coordinates

Sample Example

- Checkboard texture is generated makeCheckImage()
- All texture mapping initialization occurs in init() glGenTextures(1, &texName); glBindTexture(GL_TEXTURE_2D, texName);
- Single, full resolution texture map is specified glTexImage2D(GL_TEXTURE_2D, 0, GL_RGBA, checkImageWidth, checkImageHeight, 0, GL_RGBA, GL_UNSIGNED_BYTE, checkImage);
- Specify how the texture to be wrapped and how the colors are to be filtered if there is not an exact match between texels and pixels glTexParameteri(GL_TEXTURE_2D,GL_TEXTURE_WRAP_S,GL_REPEAT); glTexParameteri(GL_TEXTURE_2D,GL_TEXTURE_MAG_FILTER,GL_NEAREST);

More on Example

- In **display**(void), texture is turned on **glEnable**(GL_TEXTURE_2D);
- Drawing mode is set so as to draw the textured polygons using the colors from the texture map glTexEnvf(GL_TEXTURE_ENV, GL_TEXTURE_ENV_MODE, GL_REPLACE);
- Two polygons are drawn by specifying texture coordinates along with vertex coordinates

glTexCoord2f(0.0,0.0); **glVertex3f**(-2.0,-1.0,0.0);

 Texture is finally turned off glDisable(GL_TEXTURE_2D);

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3D Textures

- 3D textures are used in scientific visualization
 - > e.g. volume rendering
- Defining a 3D texture:
 - glTexImage3D(GL_TEXTURE_3D, 0, GL_RGB, iWidth, iHeight, iDepth, 0, GL_RGB, GL_UNSIGNED_BYTE, image);
- Replace all or some of the texels of a 3D texture
- Using compressed texture images
- Mipmaps: Multiple levels of detail
- Filtering
- Texture objects
- Texturing functions

Display Lists

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What and Why Display List?

- In many cases, you may need to execute the same set of OpenGL commands multiple times
- Drawing a tricycle:
 - Two wheels on the back are the same size but are offset from each other. The front wheel is larger and in a different location
 - An efficient way to render the wheels on the tricycle is store the geometry for one wheel in a list and then execute the list three times by setting the appropriate modelview matrix each time before executing the list
- Several other examples: Solar system, molecular dynamics

What and Why Display List?

• A display list is a group of OpenGL commands that have been stored for later execution

• You can define the geometry and/or state changes once and execute them multiple times by providing a number that uniquely specifies the display list

• Display lists improve performance by caching commands which are reused many times

Naming and Creating a Display List

- Each display list is identified as a unique, system-generated integer index or ID
- GLuint **glGenLists** (GLsizei *range*);
 - Allocates *range* number of contiguous, previously unallocated display list indices
 - The integer returned is the index that marks the beginning of a contiguous block of empty display list indices

If returned integer is *n*, then indices $n, n+1, \ldots, n + range - 1$ are available

listIndex = glGenLists(1);

Generates one new display list ID and store it in variable listIndex

gllsList(Gluint list) to check whether a specific index is in use. It returns
 GL_TRUE if the list is already used
glDeleteLists(Gluint list, GLsizei range) to delete range display lists starting
 at the index specified by list

Naming and Creating a Display List

- void **glNewList**(GLuint *list*, GLenum *mode*);
 - Specifies the start of a display list.
 - The argument *list* is a nonzero positive integer that uniquely identifies the display list
 - The possible values for *mode* are GL_COMPILE and COMPILE_EXECUTE
- void **glEndList**(void);
 - ➤ Marks the end of a display list

glNewList (listIndex, GL_COMPILE);

glEndList();

Executing a Display List

- Void **glCallList**(GLint *list*);
 - Executes the display list specified by *list* which is the index for the display list
 - Commands in the display list are executed, just as if they were issued

• You can execute the same display list many times

• You can mix display lists and immediate-mode graphics

Example

• The display list contains OpenGL commands to draw a triangle

• The display list is executed multiple times

• A rectangle is drawn in immediate mode.

Hierarchical Display Lists

- A hierarchical display list executes another display list in it by calling glCallList() between a glNewList() and glEndList() pair
 - A display list to render a tricycle: glNewList(listIndex, GL_COMPLIE); glCallList(handlebars); glCallList(frame); glTranslatef(1.0,0.0,0.0); glCallList(wheel); glTranslatef(3.0,0.0,0.0); glCallList(wheel); glTranslatef(3.0,0.0,0.0); glScalef(1.5,1.5,1.5); glCallList(wheel); glEndList();

Multiple Display Lists

- void **glListBase**(GLuint *base*);
 - Specifies the offset that's added to the display-list indices in glCallLists() to obtain the final display-list indices
- void glCallLists(GLsizei n, GLenum type, const GLvoid *lists);
 - \succ Executes *n* display lists
 - *lists is a pointer that points to an array of offsets
 - Nesting level of display lists is at least 64

- A display list can contain calls that change the value of OpenGL state variables
- The changes persist after execution of the display list is completed
- Use **glPushAttrib**() to save a group of state variables and **glPopAttrib**() to restore the values later
- Use glPushMatrix() and glPopMatrix() to save and restore the current matrix

Selection

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Interactive Applications

• Allows user to select a region of the scene or pick an object drawn on the screen

- Selection mode
 - First draw scene, then use selection mode, and redraw the scene
 - Screen remains frozen while OpenGL is in selection mode
 - On exiting from selection mode, OpenGL returns a list of primitives that intersect the viewing volume
 - Each primitive within the viewing volume causes a selection hit

Basic Steps

- Specify the array to be used for the returned hit records with **glSelectBuffer()**
- Enter selection mode by specifying GL_SELECT with **glRenderMode()**
- Initialize the name stack using **glInitNames**()
- Define viewing volume to be used for selection
- Exit selection mode and process the hit records

Commands

- void **glSelectBuffer**(GLsizei **size**, GLuint **buffer*);
 - Specifies the array to be used for the returned selection data
 - *buffer* is a pointer to the array of the given *size*
- void **glRenderMode**(GLenum *mode*);
 - Controls whether the application is in rendering, selection, or feedback mode
 - mode is GL_RENDER, GL_SELECT or GL_FEEDBACK
 - mode remains unchanged until glRenderMode() is called again with different argument

Creating the Name Stack

- void **glInitNames**(void);
 - Clears the name stack so that it's empty
- void **glPushName**(Gluint *mode*);
 - Pushes name onto the name stack
 - ➤ The stack contain at least 64 names
- void **glPopName**(void);
 - > Pops one name off the top of the name stack
- void **glLoadName**(GLuint *name*);
 - > Replaces the value on the top of the name stack with name

Hit Record

- A primitive that intersects the viewing volume causes a selection hit
- OpenGL writes a hit record into the selection array if there is a hit
- Each hit record consists of the following items
 - > Number of names on the name stack when the hit is occurred
 - Minimum and maximum window coordinate depth (z) values of all selected primitives
 - Contents of the name stack at the time of the hit

Picking

- Use selection mode to determine if the object are picked
- Picking is triggered by an input device (mouse click)
- Use a special picking matrix in conjunction with the projection matrix

void glPickMatrix(GLdouble x, GLdouble y, GLdouble width, GLdouble height, GLint viewport[4]);

- Creats a projection matrix that restricts drawing to a small region of the viewport and multiplies that matrix onto current matrix stack
- \succ *x*,*y* define the center of picking region (or cursor location)
- width and height define the size of the picking region
- viewport[] indicates the current viewport boundaries.

Evaluators

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What is Evaluators?

• Provide way to describe curves and surfaces by using few parameters or control points

• Use a polynomial mapping to produce vertex, normal, and texture coordinates, and colors

• Precision and storage efficient

One-Dimensional Evaluators

A vector-valued function (called Bezier curve) of one variable is

$$C(u) = [X(u), Y(u), Z(u)] = \sum_{i=0}^{n} B_{i}^{n}(u)P_{i}$$

Example: distance traveled by a body as a function of time

Where P_i represent a set of *n* control points (3D) for vertices, colors or normals, and

$$B_i^n(u) = \binom{n}{i} u^i (1-u)^{n-i}$$

is ith Bernstein polynomial of degree n

Domain for variable u is [0.0, 1.0].

But if it is $[u_1, u_2]$, the function at u is evaluated as

$$C\left(\frac{u-u_1}{u_2-u_1}\right)$$

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Defining

- void **glMap1**{fd}(GLenum *target*, *TYPE u*₁, *TYPE u*₂, GLint *stride*, GLint *order*, const *TYPE *points*);
 - Defines 1D evaluator
 - *target:* what control point represent and how many values need to be supplied in points GL_MAP1_VERTEX_3,GL_MAP1_COLOR_4,GL_MAP1_NORMAL
 - \succ u_1 and u_2 : range for variable u
 - stride: an offset value between the beginning of one control point and the beginning of the next
 - order: degree + 1 glMap1f(GL_MAP1_VERTEX_3, 0.0, 1.0, 3, 4, &cntrlpoints[0][0]); glEnable(GL_MAP1_VERTEX_3);

Evaluating

• void **glEvalCoord1**{fd}(*TYPE u*);

- Causes evaluation of the enabled 1D maps
- \blacktriangleright *u* is the domain coordinate
- Call does not affect the current values for color and normal vectors
- Call appears between glBegin() and glEnd() pair
- More than one evaluator can be evaluated at a time
 - Define and enable both GL_MAP1_VERTEX_3 and GL_MAP1_COLOR_4

so that a single call to **glEvalCoord1**() generate both position and color along the curve

Defining Evenly Spaced *u* Values

- Use a 1D grid of *u* values for evaluation of function
- void **MapGrid1**{fd}(GLint n, *TYPE* u_1 , *TYPE* u_2);
 - \blacktriangleright Define a grid that goes from u_1 and u_2 in *n* steps, which are evenly spaced
- void **glEvalMesh1**(GLenum *mode*, GLint *p*₁, GLint *p*₂);
 - > Applies currently defined map grid to all enabled evaluators
 - Mode: GL_POINT or GL_LINE
 - \triangleright p_1 and p_2 defines the range of steps

Two-Dimensional Evaluators

A vector-valued function (called Bezier surface) of two variables (u and v) is

$$C(u,v) = [X(u,v), Y(u,v), Z(u,v)] = \sum_{i=0}^{n} \sum_{j=0}^{m} B_{i}^{n}(u) B_{j}^{m}(v) P_{ij}$$

Where P_{ij} represents a set of m*n control points (3D), and *B*'s are Bernstein polynomials

Procedure to use 2D evaluators:

- 1. Define evaluator with **glMap2**()
- 2. Enable them by passing appropriate value to **glEnable**()
- 3. Invoke them either by **glEvalCoord2**() between **glBegin**() and **glEnd**() pair or

By specifying and applying a mesh with **glMapGrid2()** and **glEvalMesh2()**

2D Evaluators Command

- Void glMap2{fd}(GLenum target, TYPE u₁, TYPE u₂, GLint ustride, GLint uorder, TYPE v₁, TYPE v₂, GLint vstride, GLint vorder, const TYPE *points);
- void **glEvalCoord2**{fd}(*TYPE u, TYPE v*);
- void glMapGrid2{fd}(GLint nu, TYPE u₁, TYPE u₂, GLint nv, TYPE v₁, TYPE v₂);
 void glEvalMesh2(GLenum mode, GLint i₁, GLint i₂, GLint j₁, GLint j₂);
 mode can be GL_POINT, GL_LINE, GL_FILL
- Normal to the surface can be computed with glEnable(GL_AUTO_NORMAL)

Tessellators, Quadrics, NURBs

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Polygon Tessellation

• Process of subdividing non-simple polygons (such as concave polygons, polygons with holes, polygons with intersecting edges) into simple convex polygons

- Steps in polygon tessellation:
 - Create a new tessellation object with gluNewTess()
 - Use gluTessCallback() to register callback functions to perform operations during the tessellation
 - Specify tessellation properties by calling **gluTessProperty**()
 - Create and render tessellated polygons by the contours
 - Delete tessellation object with gluDeleteTess()

Quadrics

- Rendering spheres, cylinders, and disks:
 - > Quadric surfaces are defined by $a_1x^2 + a_2y^2 + a_3z^2 + a_4xy + a_5yz + a_6xz + a_7x + a_8y + a_9z + a_{10} = 0$
- Steps in using quadrics object
 - Use gluNewQuadric() to create a quadrics object
 - Specifying rendering attributes with gluQuadricOrientation(),
 gluQuadricDrawstyle(), gluQuadricNormals()
 - Invoke the rendering routines for different quadric objects: gluSphere(),
 gluCylinder(), gluDisk()
 - > Delete the quadric object with **gluDeleteQuadric**()

NURBS Interface

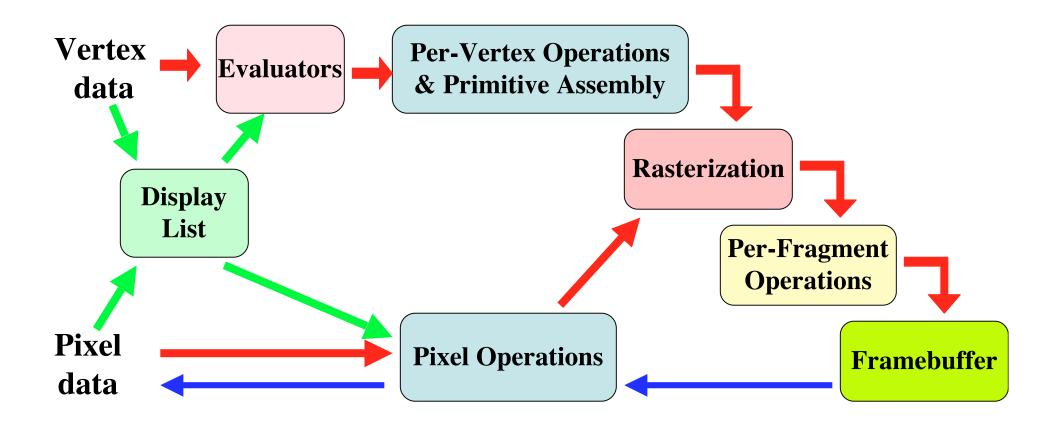
- GLU provides a NURBS (Non-Uniform-Rational-B-Spline) interfaces
- Steps to draw NURBS curves or surfaces
 - Use gluNewNurbsRender() to create a NURBS object
 - Start your curve or surface by calling gluBeginCurve() or gluBeginSurface()
 - Generate and render curve or surface with call to gluNurbsCurve() or gluNurbsSurface()
 - Call gluNurbsProperty() to choose rendering values such as number of polygons used
 - Call gluNurbsCallback() for different functions
 - Use lighting with glEnable(GL_AUTO_NORMAL)
 - Complete drawing with gluEndCurve() or gluEndSurface()

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OpenGL Rendering Pipeline



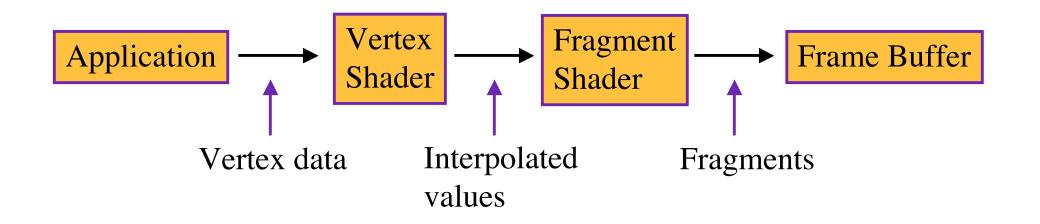
Programmable Pipeline

- Graphics processors (GPUs) are programmable
 - Functionality of some of major units in the graphics pipeline can be altered by user programs which are executed in GPU
- Vertex shader

User programs to manipulate vertex properties

- Fragment shader
 - User programs to alter the processing of fragments
- Shading languages
 - The OpenGL Shading Language based on C
 - C for graphics: Cg

Programmable Pipeline: A Simple View



- All data (vertex, interpolated values and fragments) pass through a non-programmable part of the hardware
 - > GPU registers store and transfer the data.

What Have We Covered?

- OpenGL Basics
 - openGL and related libraries, window management
- Drawing
 - Geometric primitive objects, veretx arrays, normal vectors, polygonal models of surfaces
- Viewing
 - Modelview transformations, projection transformations, viewport transformation, clipping, matrix stacks
- Color
 - Color perception, color functions, shading
- Lighting
 - Light sources, lighting models, material properties
- Special topics
 - Rasterization, framebuffer, animation, hidden-surface removal, blending, drawing pixel data, texture mapping, display lists, evaluators, selection
 - ➢ GPU programming