Computer Graphics 2014

1. INTRODUCTION

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Why study computer graphics?

Entertainment



Computer-Aided Design

Mechanical CAD Architectural CAD Electronic CAD



Visualization

Science, engineering and medicine



The Virtual Human Karl-Heinz Hoehne



Outside-In The Geometry Center

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Visual Simulation and Training

Apollo spacecraft Flight simulators Driving simulators Surgical simulation



davinci surgical robot Intuitive Surgical



Boeing 747 flight simulator NASA

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Digital Media Technologies

Convert traditional analog media to digital media Desktop publishing and printing Digital photography Digital video and HDTV





Digital Media Technologies

Emergence of media

- Multimedia computer and media servers
- Networked graphics and the WWW
- Electronic books, magazines and newspapers
- Sharing photos (flickr) and videos (youtube)
- Virtual worlds (Google Earth, Second Life)

With new possibilities for creating and mixing content from different sources

Graphical User Interfaces

Desktop metaphor

Input: Keyboard, mouse

Output: Cathode-ray tube



Ivan Sutherland, Sketchpad Light-pen, oscilloscope

Douglas Engelbart Mouse



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Emerging User Interfaces

Different scales: Small and large Emerging sensors: Multi-touch, accelerometers, ...





Apple iPad

Microsoft Surface

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Innovation in Hardware & Software

iPhone and iPad



S5PC100 Block Diagram





Apple A4 = CPU+GPU

Pat Hanrahan, Fall 2010

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Ultimate Display: Virtual Reality

Immersive interfaces

- Input: 3D 6-DOF tracking, gloves
- Output: Head-mounted and projection displays

Ivan Sutherland Head-mounted displays, mechanical tracker





Wolfgang Krueger, Pat Hanrahan Responsive Workbench Projection display, magnetic tracker

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Mobile Graphics









Theory and Practice

Science and Mathematics

Physics of light, color and appearance

Geometry and perspective

Mathematics of curves and surfaces

Engineering

Hardware: Graphics processors, sensors

Software: Graphics libraries, window systems

Art and Psychology

Perception: Color, displays, ...

Art and design: Composition, form, lighting, ...

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Can we give a definition for computer graphics?

One of many different descriptions

- The science and technology of imaging the world in pixels, such that it provides the real experience (looks real, sounds real, feels real)

















And last ...



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Pixel Representation Problem

- The pixel has only two properties:
 - area of the pixel is fixed
 - color of the pixel is set under program control

- Image: array of pixels

Computer Graphics

recommended description

 The science and technology of modeling , processing and displaying objects in the world in a computer





Three Fundamental Tasks

Computer Graphics

- Modeling
- Animation (simulating)
- Rendering (displaying)



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- Modeling the World (World Representation)
- Simulating the behavior of objects in the world
- Displaying the World

- Geometry and Physics are the traditional tools

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- 3D Geometric Objects (Graphics)
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World Representation Problem

- Three very important and rather complex attributes:
 - complex shape (desk, tree, water, animal, people)
 - visual look or appearance due to lighting effects
 - dynamic behavior due to interaction with other elements of the world -- movement, sound, elastic effects, ...

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Displaying the World

- I/O of Computer Graphics
 - Input : graphics : object (shape, material,...)
 - Output : image : array of pixels (RGB)



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- Symbolic Descriptions
- Region of Object in an Image

Visual Computing Fields

- Image Processing
 - Image \implies image, image \implies region
- Pattern Recognition
 - Image⇒symbolic descriptions
- Computer Vision
 - Image \implies graphics

- Computer Graphics
 - Graphics \implies image, graphics \implies graphics

- Use is all pervasive (No computer application domain untouched by Computer Graphics)
 - CAD
 - GIS
 - Movie, Animation
 - Game
 - Scientific visualization
 - Virtual Reality
 - User interface





2D Drawing 3D modeling (AutoCAD) (Pro/E, UG, CATIA)







GIS: Geography information system

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Virtual Reality





Technology Developments

- 1962 : Sutherland's Sketchpad
- 1970s: Special Hardware
- 1980s: Raster Graphics
- 1990s: Reality Engines
- 2000s: 3D acceleration

Topics Addressed in this Module

 Basics - Transformations and Synthetic Camera for Viewing the World

 Modeling techniques and tools - Meshes, Surfaces and Solid Objects



Parallel Projection



Perspective Projection





Topics Addressed (contd)

- Rendering techniques - visibility computation, illumination models, realistic imaging algorithms










Texture Mapping (Only Brief Overview)











Topics Not Addressed

- Advanced modeling and rendering methods
 - complex lighting effects,
 - natural objects (fractals), and
 - volumetric objects



Museum simulation with progressive radiosity by Eric Chen, Michael Cohen, 1989

fractal images



fractal images



fractal images



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3D Graphics and Visualization





Non-Photorealistic Rendering



















