02561 Computer Graphics

Shadow mapping and off-screen buffers

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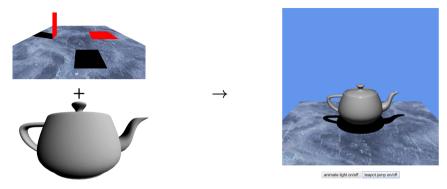
Drawing objects with different shaders

- Implement different shaders (use different html IDs or glsl files).
- Create different programs (using initShaders).
- When rendering, do the following for each object:
 - 1. Specify the program to be used (using gl.useProgram).
 - 2. Bind vertex buffer layers and enable attributes (using initAttributeVariable).
 - 3. Set uniform variables (view matrix and likewise, if they differ from the initial state).
 - 4. Draw the geometry (using gl.drawArrays or gl.drawElements, for example).
- ▶ initAttributeVariable requires two extra data fields in each buffer object:
 - buffer.num is the number of coordinates (usually 2, 3, or 4).
 - buffer.type is the type of the coordinates (usually gl.FLOAT).

```
function initAttributeVariable(gl, attribute, buffer)
{
  gl.bindBuffer(gl.ARRAY_BUFFER, buffer);
  gl.vertexAttribPointer(attribute, buffer.num, buffer.type, false, 0, 0);
  gl.enableVertexAttribArray(attribute);
}
```

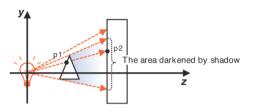


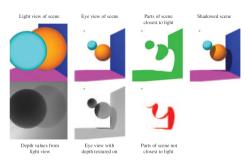
Exercise: Jumping teapot on marble table top (W09P1-2)



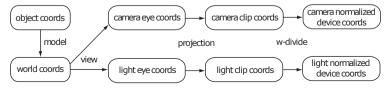
- ▶ Starting from the result of Worksheet 8, replace the two shadow casting quads by the Newell teapot (loaded from an obj file as in Worksheet 5).
- The ground plane and the teapot need different shaders.
- Create buttons for switching light circulation and vertical teapot movement on/off.

Shadow mapping





- ▶ Render the scene from the point of view of the light source.
- ▶ Store position/depth p_1 seen from the light source in a shadow map (a texture).
- ▶ For each observed fragment, find the corresponding fragment in the shadow map.
- ightharpoonup Check if the observed fragment position p_2 is significantly different from p_1 .

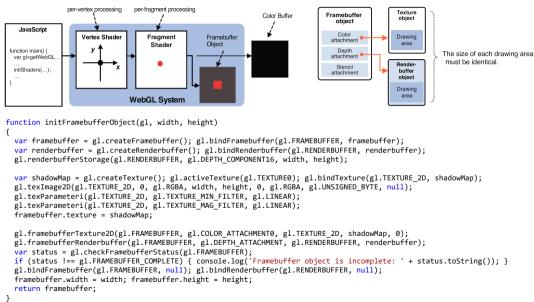


Exercise: Rendering from the point of view of the light source (W09P3a)

- ▶ The light source needs its own projection and view matrices: P_{ℓ} and V_{ℓ} .
 - ▶ Directional light: orthographic projection matrix.
 - Point light: perspective projection matrix.
- ▶ Use P_{ℓ} and V_{ℓ} to make the view volume a tight bound around the scene.

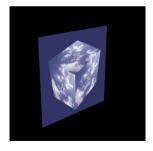


Frame buffer object (render-to-texture)



Exercise: Drawing to an off-screen buffer (W09P3b)

- Initialize the frame buffer object:
 var fbo = initFramebufferObject(gl, texwidth, texheight);
- When rendering: gl.bindFramebuffer(gl.FRAMEBUFFER, fbo); gl.viewport(0, 0, fbo.width, fbo.height);
 - //... code inserted here renders to the texture in the fbo \dots
 - gl.bindFramebuffer(gl.FRAMEBUFFER, null);
- Render the scene to a texture and apply the rendered texture to the ground quad.



Drawing depth and considering numerical precision

- ▶ In the fragment shader, the depth value is always available in gl_FragCoord.z.
- ▶ The depth value z_{frag} is the z-coordinate in NDC space scaled to [0,1]:

$$z_{\mathsf{frag}} = \frac{1}{2} \frac{p_{\mathsf{clip},z}}{p_{\mathsf{clip},w}} + \frac{1}{2}$$
 , $\boldsymbol{p}_{\mathsf{clip}} = \boldsymbol{PV} \, \boldsymbol{p}_{\mathsf{world}}$.

▶ We can write a simple fragment shader outputting the depth as red color:

```
precision mediump float;
void main()
 gl FragColor = vec4(gl FragCoord.z, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0);
```

- Unfortunately, a color has only 8-bit precision.
- ▶ We can use floating point bit shifting to better this problem:

```
precision mediump float:
void main()
    const vec4 bitShift = vec4(1.0, 256.0, 256.0*256.0, 256.0*256.0*256.0);
    const vec4 bitMask = vec4(1.0/256.0, 1.0/256.0, 1.0/256.0, 0.0);
    vec4 rgbaDepth = fract(gl FragCoord.z*bitShift);
    rgbaDepth -= rgbaDepth.gbaa*bitMask;
    gl FragColor = rgbaDepth:
```



(scaled for visualization)

Exercise: Shadow mapping in the fragment shader (W09P4)

- ▶ What are the texture coordinates to be used for the shadow map?
- \triangleright Again, we need the NDC fragment position scaled to [0,1]:

$$(u_\ell, v_\ell, z_\ell, 1) = rac{1}{2} rac{oldsymbol{p}_\ell}{oldsymbol{p}_\ell} + rac{1}{2} \quad , \qquad oldsymbol{p}_\ell = oldsymbol{P}_\ell \, oldsymbol{V}_\ell \, oldsymbol{p}_\mathsf{world} \, .$$

- ► The texture coordinates are then (u_{ℓ}, v_{ℓ}) and the depth from the light is vec4 rgbaDepth = texture2D(shadowMap, shadowCoord.xy);
- ▶ For the 8-bit precision shadow map, we have: float depth = rgbaDepth.r; and the fragment is in shadow if $z_{\ell} > \text{depth} + 0.005$.
- ▶ The reason for 0.005 is the 8 bits: $2^{-8} + \epsilon = 0.005$.
- For the version with bit shift, we have: float depth = unpackDepth(rgbaDetph);

 float unpackDepth(const in vec4 rgbaDepth) {
 const vec4 bitShift = vec4(1.0, 1.0/256.0, 1.0/(256.0*256.0), 1.0/(256.0*256.0*256.0));
 return dot(rgbaDepth, bitShift);
 }
- One should think this would give 32-bit precision, but since gl_FragCoord is defined mediump we only have 10-bit precision. New threshold: $2^{-10} + \epsilon = 0.0015$.

Percentage-closer filtering

- ▶ Aliasing (staircase/pixelation/jaggies) is a significant issue in shadow mapping.
- ▶ Sampling an area of 4-by-4 texels is a significant improvement.



0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1
0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	1
0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	1
0	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	1
0	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	1
1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1



▶ We need a look-up with an offset in texture space:

```
vec4 offset_lookup(sampler2D map, vec3 shadowCoord, vec2 offset) {
  return texture2D(map, shadowCoord.xy + offset*texmapscale);
}
```



where texmapscale is a uniform vec2 with 1/fbo.width and 1/fbo.height.

 Michael Bunnell and Fabio Pellacini. Shadow map antialiasing. In GPU Gems. Chapter 11. Addison-Wesley, 2004. https://developer.nvidia.com/gpugems/GPUGems/gpugems_ch11.html