CSC 418/2504 Computer Graphics, Fall 2015 Assignment 2 (15% of course grade)

Due 11:59pm on Wed., Nov. 4, 2015.

Part A [50 marks in total]

Below are 4 exercises covering different topics from the weeks of class upto reading week. They require thought, so you are advised to consult the relevant sections of the textbook, the online lecture notes and slides, and your notes from class well in advance of the due date. Your proofs and derivations should be clearly written, mathematically correct, and concise.

All questions require showing the steps toward the solution, and marks will be subtracted if this is not the case. Even if you cannot answer a question completely, it is very important that you show your (partial) answers and your reasoning. Otherwise your TA will **not** be able to award you partial marks. Both Part A and Part B must be done individually and electronically submitted. Part A must be in PDF format, by scanning your handwritten solution or by using LaTeX/word to typeset it.

1. *Transformations* [15 marks]

[9 marks] A 2D Affine transformation, is completely specified by its effect on three non-colinear points, i.e., by how it maps a triangle into another triangle. Find the 2D affine transformation that maps points (2, 3), (1,2), and (3, -1) into points (10, 8), (8, -4) and (2, 0) respectively.

[2 marks] How many point mappings need to be specified to completely determine a general 2D Homography? a rigid 2D transform?

[4 marks] Are the centroid (average of the three points) and ortho-center (intersection point of the altitudes) of a triangle preserved under an Affine projection? If so prove it, else provide a counterexample.

2. *Viewing and Projection* [12 marks]

[3 marks] What is the function of a lens in a real camera, and how does the "focal length" and "aperture" of the camera lens affect the images created? (no more than a few sentences).

[3 marks] Given a camera position of (2,1,3), a look-at point of (-1,2,1), and an up vector of (0,1,0), compute the world to camera transformation matrix.

[2 mark] Given camera \mathbb{C} with viewpoint (0,0,0), view direction (0,0,1) and projection plane at distance \mathbf{d} , what is the 2D (x,y) point that is the perspective projection of a 3D point $\mathbf{p} = (\mathbf{px}, \mathbf{py}, \mathbf{pz})$?

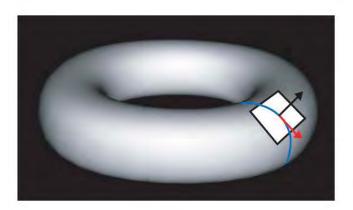
Do a family of parallel lines with direction vector $\mathbf{b}=(\mathbf{bx,by,bz})$, remain parallel after perspective projection on to the above mentioned camera \mathbb{C} ? If they remain parallel, under what codition [2 marks], and if not what is the 2D (x,y) point at which they converge [2 marks]?

3. *Surfaces* [12 marks]

The tangent plane of a surface at a point is defined so that it contains all tangent vectors. In this exercise, you will verify that a specific tangent vector is contained in the tangent plane. Let the surface be a torus in 3D (Figure 1) defined by the implicit equation:

$$f(x, y, z) = (R - sqrt(x^2 + y^2))^2 + z^2 - r^2 = 0$$
, where $R > r$.

- [3 marks] Give a surface normal at point p = (x, y, z), using the surface implicit equation.
- [2 marks] Give an implicit equation for the tangent plane at p.
- [3 marks] Show that the parametric curve $q(\lambda) = (R\cos \lambda, R\sin \lambda, r)$ lies on the surface.
- [2 marks] Find a tangent vector of $q(\lambda)$ as a function of λ .
- [2 marks] Show this tangent vector at $q(\lambda)$ to lie on the implicit equation of the tangent plane.



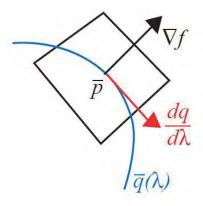


Figure 1: Left: Torus, showing a tangent plane, normal and 3D curve at a point. Right: Close-up.

4. *Visibility* [11 marks]

Figure 2 below shows a top-down view of a 2D scene, with segments in blue and outward normals in red; the eye location is illustrated by the black dot.

[3 marks] Assuming the particular scene and camera placement shown above, is it possible to exclude any segments from rendering? If so explain why; if not, explain why not.

[5 marks] Draw a BSP tree for the above scene by adding the segments in the labeled order (i.e. from 'a' to 'i', break segments as necessary).

[3 marks] Indicate how your tree will be traversed when rendering from the eye location shown.

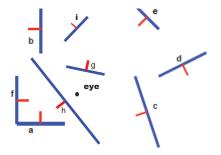


Figure 2: A scene with objects in blue (outward normal in red) and the eye viewed from the top.

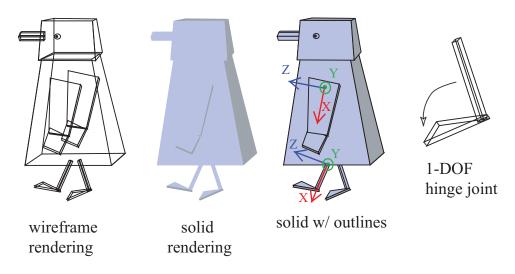


Figure 1: 3D Robot penguin.

Part B: Animating & Rendering a 3D Object [50 marks in total]

In this assignment, you will create a simple keyframe animation tool, and use it to animate a 3D character.

3D geometry and DOFs

You will first define a penguin in 3D as in Figure 1. The penguin will have 24 *degrees-of-freedom* (DOFs) that define the pose of the penguin at any time. In assignment 1, the DOFs were just the 2D rotation angles of the penguin's joints and the opening widths of the beak.

For this assignment, the DOFs will be as follows. The penguin's knee and elbow joints are 1 DOF *hinge* joints that can only rotate forward and backward; the penguin's beak has a single open-close DOF (as before); the hip and shoulder joints each have 3 angles of rotation; the penguin's head has one degree of freedom so that it can rotate around the neck axis. Finally, the penguin can globally translate and rotate in space, i.e., a translation/rotation is applied to the entire penguin. (This adds 3 DOFs for translation and 3 more for rotation.) Rotation should be about the penguin's (approximate) centroid, regardless of the translation. For 3 DOF joints use a fixed rotation order about the local Z, Y and X axis (see Figure 1).

(a) [10 marks] Design the parts in terms of suitable shapes and deformations, and draw them using OpenGL. Your penguin does not need to look exactly like the one in the figure (e.g., the geometry can be more complicated). You do not need to draw circles for joints; drawing eyes or other decorations is optional, but they should not obscure the shape and motion of the character.

Rendering style

Your program should include five rendering modes: wireframe, solid, solid with outlines, "shiny metal," and "matte:"

(b) [10 marks] *Basic polygon rendering styles:* The first three rendering styles are shown in the figure. Solid and wireframe can be created using the same geometry routines (e.g., glVertex calls), but with different settings for glPolygonMode. Solid can be drawn together with outlines, by rendering wireframes fill after the solid fill has been rendered within the display function, but using

glPolygonOffset on the wireframe rendering. (See the OpenGL reference books for information on these routines). The user should be able to choose the rendering style in the user interface. Note that in general, it is not required that the outlines are perfectly crisp; drawing them perfectly is not easy in OpenGL, or required for this assignment.

- (c) [5 marks] *Material properties:* In addition to the above styles, the user should also be able to draw the penguin using solid polygons with a "metallic" or "matte" appearance. To do this, you will need to assign material properties to your polygons via glMaterial and define a light source using glLight. Again, refer to the manual for information on how to set up light sources and shading in OpenGL.
- (d) [5 marks] *Light source control:* You should add controls to the user interface to allow the user to control the position of the light source around the object. You should define the light source position to be sufficiently far away from the object so that it does not interfere with the object's motion. For the purposes of the assignment it suffices to move the light source on a circle parallel to the *xy*-plane, of a sufficiently large radius.

Keyframe Animation

The second goal in this part of the assignment is to create a keyframe animation tool that allows you to set *keyframes*, and then play back an animation that interpolates those keyframes. The values of the DOFs at each frame will be defined by a function $\bar{q}(t)$ that defines the values of the DOFs at each time t. This function will be defined by interpolating keyframes. Each keyframe comprises a time and a pose, that is, a pair (t_i, \bar{q}_i) , where the pose \bar{q}_i is a 24-dimensional vector containing the DOFs at time t_i . That is, \bar{q}_i contains the value of each joint angle, the beak distances, and the global translation and rotation of the torso at time t_i .

- (e) [10marks] The animation tool should work as follows. Each DOF in the character will correspond to a "spinner" in the user interface; adjusting a slider will change the corresponding DOF for the character shown in the display window. Pressing the button "Update Keyframe" sets the current pose as a keyframe in the animation system, and then pressing "Start/Stop animation" plays back the animation. Use of the starter code is required. Be sure to include a sample set of keyframes with your electronic submission, and implement "Update Keyframe".
- (f) [5 marks] When you play back the animation, the smoothly varying pose $\bar{q}(t)$ should be computed by Catmull-Rom interpolation of the keyframes (this interpolation will be covered in the next tutorial).

Helper Code

We have provided helper code that has many of the data structures and user interface elements already in place. The compiled skeleton code will display a solid shaded cube located at the origin. You can move the cube using the UI (Root \rightarrow translate x/y/z). A sample keyframe file has been provided and can be loaded to demonstrate the animation and render-to-file capabilities. Your main job is to define the procedures for rendering the character at a given time, and for computing the interpolation. See the code for details.

To unpack, compile and run this demo on CDF, download the file *a2.tgz* and use the following commands

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tar xvfz a2.tgz
cd a2/penguin3d
make
penguin
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Tips

There are several different parts to this assignment, and it will be easiest to tackle them one at a time — and debug each part in turn — rather than trying to implement everything at once. First, design the animal and the joint angles. We recommend that you render each polygon with a solid color, perhaps a different color for each face. Make sure you've got Z-buffering working properly so that visibility is correct. Make sure that the character moves properly when adjusting the controls. Be careful when designing rotations. If you represent an angle between 0 and 360 degrees, then do not animate angles near 0 since that might lead to a discontinuity. Similarly, if you represent angles between -180 and 180 degrees then you will be best to keep your angles, on average, near zero rather than near 180 or -180 degrees. We suggest you enable lighting and tackle the last two rendering styles (metallic, matte) only after you are done with everything else.

Turning in your Solution to Part B

All your code should remain in the directory a2/penguin3d. In addition to your code, you must complete the files *CHECKLIST* and *REPORT* contained in that directory. *Failure to complete these files will result in zero marks on your assignment*.

(g) [5 marks] The *REPORT* file should be a well-structured written (or diagramatic) explanation of the basic components of your implementation. The description should be a clear and concise guide to the concepts, not a simple documentation of the code.

Note that this file should *not* be thought of as a substitute for putting detailed comments in your code. Your code should be well commented if you want to receive full (or even partial) credit for it.

To pack and submit your solution, execute the following commands from the directory containing your code (i.e., *a2/penguin3d*):

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cd ../../
tar cvfz a2-solution.tgz a2
submit -c csc418h -a A2b a2-solution.tgz (if registered for CSC418)
submit -c csc2504h -a A2b a2-solution.tgz (if registered for CSC2504)
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