

MAN MLX_WINDOW

SYNOPSIS

```
void *  
mlx_new_window ( void *mlx_ptr, int size_x, int size_y, char *title );  
  
int  
mlx_clear_window ( void *mlx_ptr, void *win_ptr );  
  
int  
mlx_destroy_window ( void *mlx_ptr, void *win_ptr );
```

DESCRIPTION

The `mlx_new_window ()` function creates a new window on the screen, using the `size_x` and `size_y` parameters to determine its size, and `title` as the text that should be displayed in the window's

`title bar`. The `mlx_ptr` parameter is the connection identifier returned by `mlx_init ()` (see the `mlx` man page). `mlx_new_window ()` returns a `void *` window identifier that can be used by other

MiniLibX calls. Note that the MiniLibX can handle an arbitrary number of separate windows.

`mlx_clear_window ()` and `mlx_destroy_window ()` respectively clear (in black) and destroy the given window. They both have the same parameters: `mlx_ptr` is the screen connection identifier, and `win_ptr` is a window identifier.

RETURN VALUES

If `mlx_new_window()` fails to create a new window (for whatever reason), it will return `NULL`, otherwise a non-null pointer is returned as a window identifier. `mlx_clear_window` and

`mlx_destroy_window` right now return nothing.

MAN MLX_PIXEL

SYNOPSIS

```
int
```

```

mlx_pixel_put ( void *mlx_ptr, void *win_ptr, int x, int y, int color );

int
mlx_string_put ( void *mlx_ptr, void *win_ptr, int x, int y, int color, char
*string );

```

DESCRIPTION

The `mlx_pixel_put ()` function draws a defined pixel in the window `win_ptr` using the `(x , y)` coordinates, and the specified color . The origin (0,0) is the upper left corner of the window,

the x and y axis respectively pointing right and down. The connection identifier, `mlx_ptr` , is needed (see the `mlx` man page).

Parameters for `mlx_string_put ()` have the same meaning. Instead of a simple pixel, the specified string will be displayed at `(x , y)`.

In both functions, it is impossible to display anything outside the specified window, nor display in another window in front of the selected one.

COLOR MANAGEMENT

The color parameter has an integer type. The displayed color needs to be encoded in this integer, following a defined scheme. All displayable colors can be split in 3 basic colors: red, green

and blue. Three associated values, in the 0-255 range, represent how much of each color is mixed up to create the original color. Theses three values must be set inside the integer to display

the right color. The three least significant bytes of this integer are filled as shown in the picture below:

```

| 0 | R | G | B |  color integer
+---+---+---+---+

```

While filling the integer, make sure you avoid endian problems. Remember that the "blue" byte should always be the least significant one.

MLX_NEW_IMAGE

SYNOPSIS

```
void *
```

```

mlx_new_image ( void *mlx_ptr, int width, int height );

char *
mlx_get_data_addr ( void *img_ptr, int *bits_per_pixel, int *size_line, int
*endian );

int
mlx_put_image_to_window ( void *mlx_ptr, void *win_ptr, void *img_ptr, int x,
int y );

unsigned int
mlx_get_color_value ( void *mlx_ptr, int color );

void *
mlx_xpm_to_image ( void *mlx_ptr, char **xpm_data, int *width, int *height );

void *
mlx_xpm_file_to_image ( void *mlx_ptr, char *filename, int *width, int *height );

int
mlx_destroy_image ( void *mlx_ptr, void *img_ptr );

```

DESCRIPTION

`mlx_new_image ()` creates a new image in memory. It returns a void * identifier needed to manipulate this image later. It only needs the size of the image to be created, using the width and height parameters, and the `mlx_ptr` connection identifier (see the `mlx` manual).

The user can draw inside the image (see below), and can dump the image inside a specified window at any time to display it on the screen. This is done using `mlx_put_image_to_window ()`. Three

identifiers are needed here, for the connection to the display, the window to use, and the image (respectively `mlx_ptr`, `win_ptr` and `img_ptr`). The (`x`, `y`) coordinates define where the image should be placed in the window.

`mlx_get_data_addr ()` returns information about the created image, allowing a user to modify it later. The `img_ptr` parameter specifies the image to use. The three next parameters should be the

addresses of three different valid integers. `bits_per_pixel` will be filled with the number of bits needed to represent a pixel color (also called the depth of the

image). `size_line` is the

number of bytes used to store one line of the image in memory. This information is needed to move from one line to another in the image. `endian` tells you whether the pixel color in the image

needs to be stored in little endian (`endian == 0`), or big endian (`endian == 1`).

`mlx_get_data_addr` returns a `char *` address that represents the beginning of the memory area where the image is stored. From this address, the first `bits_per_pixel` bits represent the color of the

first pixel in the first line of the image. The second group of `bits_per_pixel` bits represent the second pixel of the first line, and so on. Add `size_line` to the address to get the beginning of

the second line. You can reach any pixels of the image that way.

`mlx_destroy_image` destroys the given image (`img_ptr`).

STORING COLOR INSIDE IMAGES

Depending on the display, the number of bits used to store a pixel color can change. The user usually represents a color in RGB mode, using one byte for each component (see `mlx_pixel_put` manual).

This must be translated to fit the `bits_per_pixel` requirement of the image, and make the color understandable to the graphical system. That is the purpose of the `mlx_get_color_value` ()

function. It takes a standard RGB color parameter, and returns an unsigned integer value. The `bits_per_pixel` least significant bits of this value can be stored in the image.

Keep in mind that the least significant bits position depends on the local computer's endian. If the endian of the image (in fact the endian of the X-Server's computer for remote X11 display)

differs from the local endian, then the value should be transformed before being used.

XPM IMAGES

The `mlx_xpm_to_image` () and `mlx_xpm_file_to_image` () functions will create a new image the same way. They will fill it using the specified `xpm_data` or `filename` , depending on which function

is used. Note that MiniLibX does not use the standard Xpm library to deal with xpm images. You may not be able to read all types of xpm images. It however handles transparency.

RETURN VALUES

The three functions that create images, `mlx_new_image()`, `mlx_xpm_to_image()` and `mlx_xpm_file_to_image()`, will return NULL if an error occurs. Otherwise they return a non-null pointer as an image identifier.

MLX_LOOP

SYNOPSIS

```
int  
mlx_loop ( void *mlx_ptr );
```

```
int  
mlx_key_hook ( void *win_ptr, int (*funct_ptr)(), void *param );
```

```
int  
mlx_mouse_hook ( void *win_ptr, int (*funct_ptr)(), void *param );
```

```
int  
mlx_expose_hook ( void *win_ptr, int (*funct_ptr)(), void *param );
```

```
int  
mlx_loop_hook ( void *mlx_ptr, int (*funct_ptr)(), void *param );
```

EVENTS

Both X-Window and MacOSX graphical systems are bi-directionnal. On one hand, the program sends orders to the screen to display pixels, images, and so on. On the other hand, it can get infor-

mation from the keyboard and mouse associated to the screen. To do so, the program receives "events" from the keyboard or the mouse.

DESCRIPTION

To receive events, you must use `mlx_loop ()`. This function never returns. It is an infinite loop that waits for an event, and then calls a user-defined function associated with this event. A

single parameter is needed, the connection identifier `mlx_ptr` (see the `mlx` manual).

You can assign different functions to the three following events:

- A key is pressed
- The mouse button is pressed
- A part of the window should be re-drawn (this is called an "expose" event, and it is your program's job to handle it).

Each window can define a different function for the same event.

The three functions `mlx_key_hook ()`, `mlx_mouse_hook ()` and `mlx_expose_hook ()` work exactly the same way. `funct_ptr` is a pointer to the function you want to be called when an event occurs.

This assignment is specific to the window defined by the `win_ptr` identifier. The param address will be passed to the function everytime it is called, and should be used to store the parameters it might need.

The syntax for the `mlx_loop_hook ()` function is identical to the previous ones, but the given function will be called when no event occurs.

When it catches an event, the MiniLibX calls the corresponding function with fixed parameters:

```
expose_hook(void *param);
key_hook(int keycode,void *param);
mouse_hook(int button,int x,int y,void *param);
loop_hook(void *param);
```

These function names are arbitrary. They here are used to distinguish parameters according to the event. These functions are NOT part of the MiniLibX.

`param` is the address specified in the `mlx_*_hook` calls. This address is never used nor modified by the MiniLibX. On key and mouse events, additional information is passed: `keycode` tells you

which key is pressed (X11 : look for the include file "keysymdef.h", MacOS : create a small software and find out by yourself), `(x , y)` are the coordinates of the mouse click in the window,

and `button` tells you which mouse button was pressed.

GOING FURTHER WITH EVENTS

The MiniLibX provides a much generic access to all type of events. The `mlx.h` include define `mlx_hook()` in the same manner `mlx_*_hook` functions work. The event and mask values will be taken

from the X11 include file "X.h" (even for MacOSX, for compatibility purposes)

See source code of `mlx_int_param_event.c` to find out how the MiniLibX will call your own function for a specific event.