3D Reconstruction

Outline

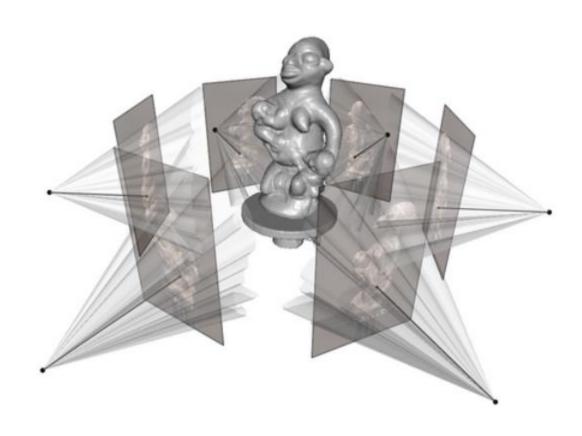
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- obj file format

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■ 3D reconstruction from images









What is 3D laser scanning?



3D Laser Scanning is a technology to capture real scenery in a 3D virtual world.



Short range scanning





Medium range scanning





Long range scanning



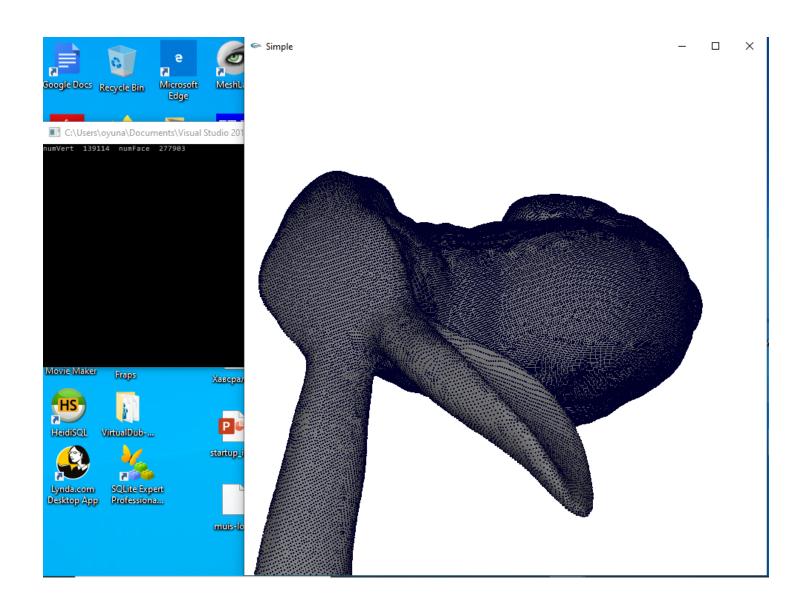


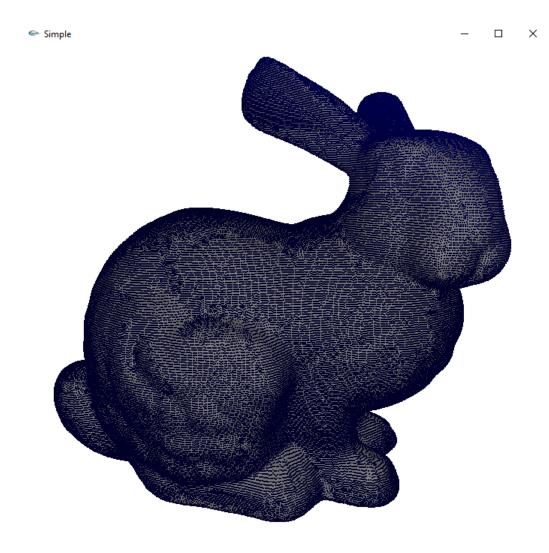
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Application of 3D laser scanning

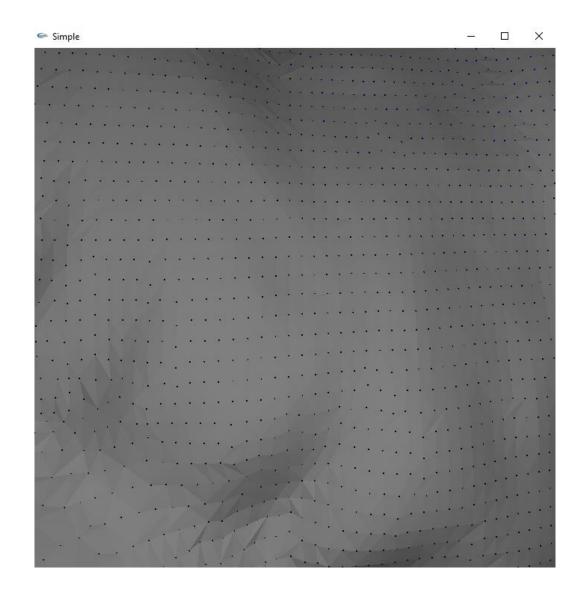
- Industrial
- Architectural
- Civil surveying
- Urban topography
- Mining
- Reverse engineering
- Archaeology
- Dentistry
- Reverse engineering etc.

Point cloud









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- Great format for static objects in a game
- Can be exported from Maya, one of the industry standards for creation of 3D content
 - Maya is developed by Alias Wavefront
- Simple, ASCII-based format
- Contains geometry data, no animation

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Parsing text files

Say you have a string, called szVertex, that contains the line:

Vertex 15 - [14.12, 12.51, 33.10];

The sscanf function would look like this:

sscanf(szVertex, "%s %d – [%f, %f, %f];", s, &i, &f1, &f2, &f3);

Parameters for Building a Format String

Parameter	Use
% s	A %s as a format string means that scanf will look for a string. It will read until it finds a null, space, or newline character.
%c	%c reads a single character. It will read the first charac- ter it sees, regardless of what type it is, even a space or a newline.
%d	Reading in integers uses %d.With integers scanf will read until it finds a space, letter, or symbol that is not part of a number. Integers read with %d can be positive or negative.
%f	%f is used for reading real numbers, particularly floating point values. It will cause scanf to read a number the same way as %d, but it will include decimals.



- Each line of the model file starts with one or two letters that tell the program what that line is for.
- v: A letter v followed by a space is a plain vanilla vertex. If this is the case, following a single space will be three floating-point values, each separated by a single space as well.



- vt: The string vt signifies that the line contains texture coordinates. Each texture coordinate is two floats, again separated by one space.
- vn: vn signifies a vertex normal. Other than the prefix, the line mirrors the vertex lines: three floats.



- f: An f signifies a face. A face is a set of indexes into the arrays of vertices, texcoords, and normals.
- However, only the vertex indexes must be present; the other two are optional. Every vertex index should be positive.

Anything else: Any other line of prefixes such as g (group), # (comments), p (point), I (line), surf (surface), and curv (curve) should be ignored for now.



A typical line in the OBJ file that represents a face or triangle and contains only vertices would look something like this:

f 1 2 3

This code says that the faces use the first, second, and third vertex indexes to draw the triangles.

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If the faces are textured, but contain no vertex normals, the syntax would be similar to this:

f 1/4 2/5 3/6

■ This line says that the triangles use vertices 1, 2, and 3 and texture indexes 4, 5, and 6.



Another variation of this line could use all three types of vertex data, the vertex, texture coordinate, and normal indexes.

f 1/4/7 2/5/8 3/6/9

The first number is for the vertex itself, the second is for its texture coordinate, and the third is for the vertex normal.

