

# CHAPTER 1

## INTRODUCTION

### 1.1 Introduction to Computer Graphics

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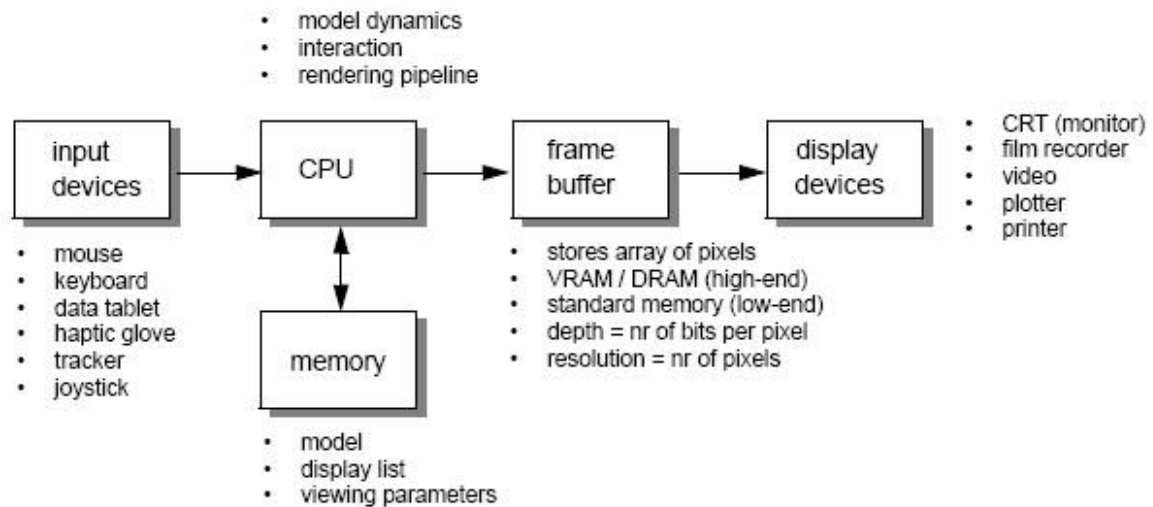


Fig. 1.1: Graphics System

Until the early 1980's, Computer Graphics was a small, specialized field, largely because the hardware was expensive and graphics-based application programs that were easy to use and cost effective were few. Then, personal computers with built in raster graphics displays popularized the use of bitmap graphics for array of points or also called as pixels on the screen. Once bitmap graphics became affordable, an explosion of easy-to-use and inexpensive graphics-based applications soon followed. Graphics-based interfaces allowed millions of new users to control simple, low cost application programs, such as spreadsheets, word processors, and drawing programs. Graphics has its own hardcopy technologies, input technologies and also display technologies. Some of the hardcopy technologies are printers, pen plotters etc. Some of the display technologies such direct view storage tube, liquid crystal displays, plasma panels etc. Input technologies like keyboard, mouse, touch panel, tablets etc.

### 1.2 Applications of Computer Graphics

Computer graphics is used today in mainly different areas of industry, business, government, education, entertainment, and most recently, the home. The list of applications is enormous and is growing rapidly as computers with graphics capabilities become commodity products. Now let us see some of the applications.

### •Computer Aided Design

Computer graphics is used in design process, particularly for engineering and architectural systems, but almost all products are now computer designed. Generally referred to as CAD, computer aided design methods are now routinely used in the design of buildings, automobiles, aircraft, watercraft, spacecraft, computers, textiles, and many other products.

### •Image Processing

In computer graphics, a computer is used to create a picture. Image processing on the other hand, applies techniques to modify or interpret existing pictures, such as photographs and TV scans. Two principal applications of image processing are improving picture quality and machine perception of visual information, as used in robotics.

### •Education and Training

Computer generated models of physical, financial and economic systems are often used as educational aids. Models of physical systems, physiological systems, population trends, or equipment, can help trainees to understand the operation of the system.

### •Entertainment

Computer graphics methods are now commonly used in making motion pictures, music videos, and television shows.

## 1.3 History of OpenGL

In the 1980s, developing software that could function with a wide range of graphics hardware was a real challenge. Software developers wrote custom interfaces and drivers for each piece of hardware. This was expensive and resulted in much duplication of effort.

By the early 1990s, Silicon Graphics (SGI) was a leader in 3D graphics for workstations. Their IRIS GL API was considered the state of the art and became the de facto industry standard, overshadowing the open standards-based PHIGS. This was because IRIS GL was considered easier to use, and because it supported immediate mode rendering. By contrast, PHIGS was considered difficult to use and outdated in terms of functionality.

SGI's competitors (including Sun Microsystems, Hewlett-Packard and IBM) were also able to bring to market 3D hardware, supported by extensions made to the PHIGS standard. This in turn caused SGI market share to weaken as more 3D graphics hardware suppliers entered the market. In an effort to influence the market, SGI decided to turn the IrisGL API into an open standard.

SGI considered that the IrisGL API itself wasn't suitable for opening due to licensing and patent issues. Also, the IrisGL had API functions that were not relevant to 3D graphics. For example, it included a windowing, keyboard and mouse API, in part because it was developed before the X Window System and Sun's News systems were developed.

In addition, SGI had a large number of software customers; by changing to the OpenGL API they planned to keep their customers locked onto SGI (and

IBM) hardware for a few years while market support for OpenGL matured. Meanwhile, SGI would continue to try to maintain their customers tied to SGI hardware by developing the advanced and proprietary Iris Inventor and Iris Performer programming APIs.

As a result, SGI released the OpenGL standard.

The OpenGL standardized access to hardware, and pushed the development responsibility of hardware interface programs, sometimes called device drivers, to hardware manufacturers and delegated windowing functions to the underlying operating system. With so many different kinds of graphic hardware, getting them all speak the same language in this way had a remarkable impact by giving software developers a higher level platform for 3D-software development.

In 1992 SGI led the creation of the OpenGL architectural review board (OpenGL ARB), the group of companies that would maintain and expand the OpenGL specification for years to come. OpenGL evolved from (and is very similar in style to) SGI's earlier 3D interface, *IrisGL*. One of the restrictions of IrisGL was that it only provided access to features supported by the underlying hardware. If the graphics hardware did not support a feature, then the application could not use it. OpenGL overcame this problem by providing support in software for features unsupported by

hardware, allowing applications to use advanced graphics on relatively low powered systems.

### 1.3.1 Important Functions of OpenGL

The OpenGL Utility Toolkit is a library of utilities for OpenGL programs, which primarily perform system-level I/O with the host operating system. The glut library is organized as shown.

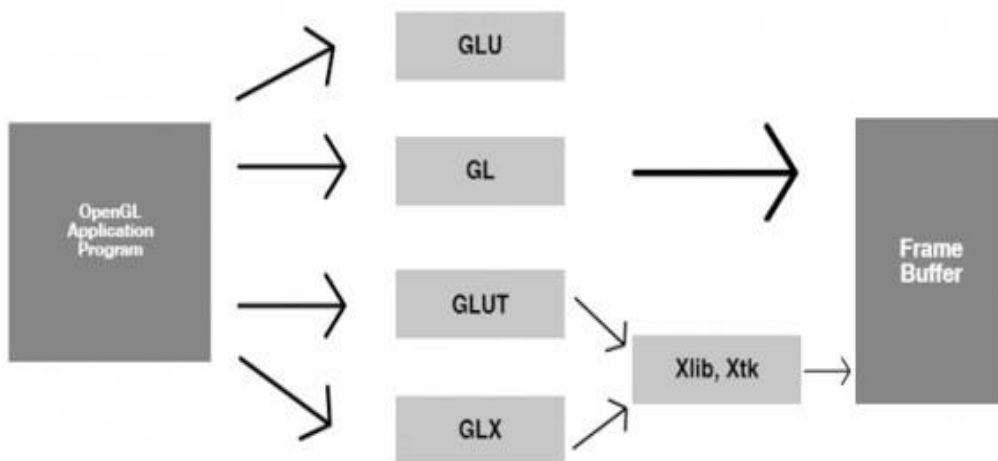


Fig. 1.2: OpenGL libraries

GLUT is the OpenGL Utility Toolkit, a window system independent toolkit for writing OpenGL programs. It implements a simple windowing application programming interface (API) for OpenGL. GLUT makes it considerably easier to learn about and explore OpenGL programming. GLUT provides a portable API so you can write a single OpenGL program that works across all PC and workstation OS platforms.

GLUT is designed for constructing small to medium sized OpenGL programs. While GLUT is well-suited to learning OpenGL and developing simple OpenGL applications, GLUT is not a full-featured toolkit so large applications requiring sophisticated user interfaces are better off using native window system toolkits. GLUT is simple, easy, and small.

The GLUT library has both C, C++ (same as C), FORTRAN, and Ada programming bindings. The GLUT source code distribution is portable to nearly all OpenGL implementations and platforms.

### Examples:

**gl functions:** glBegin(), glEnd(), glBitmap(), glClear(), glFlush(), glOrtho(), glPointSize()

**glu functions:** gluLookAt(), gluOrtho2D(), gluSphere(), gluPerspective()

**glut functions:** glutInit(), glutFullScreen(), glutMainLoop(), glutCreateMenu()

**Some of the important openGL built in functions with their functionalities are listed in following table**

glBegin, glEnd	The glBegin and glEnd functions delimit the vertices of a primitive or a group of like primitives.
glClear	The glClear function clears buffers to preset values.
glColor	These functions set the current color
glFlush	The glFlush function forces execution of OpenGL functions in finite time.
glLoadIdentity	The glLoadIdentity function replaces the current matrix with the identity matrix.
glMatrixMode	The glMatrixMode function specifies which matrix is the current matrix.
glVertex	These functions specify a vertex.
gluOrtho2D	The gluOrtho2D function defines a 2-D orthographic projection matrix.

Fig 1.3: Important openGL built in functions with their functionalities

### 1.3.2 Important Features of OpenGL

OpenGL provides a set of commands to render a three-dimensional scene. That means you provide the data in an OpenGL-useable form and OpenGL will show this data on the screen (render it). It is developed by many companies and it is free to use.

OpenGL is an API and system-independent interface. An OpenGL-application will work on every platform, as long as there is an installed implementation.

OpenGL is a collection of several hundred functions that provide access to all of the features that your graphics hardware has to offer. Internally it acts like a state machine-a collection of states that tell OpenGL what to do. Using the API you can set various aspects of this state machine, including current color, blending, lighting effect, etc.

Because it is system independent, there are no functions to create windows etc., but there are helper functions for each platform. A very useful thing is GLUT.

### 1.4 Advantages of OpenGL

- It is user-friendly and speed up the user's work.
- It is more attractive for non-technical people.
- In general, it looks more professional (but this does not mean it is always the best solution).
- OpenGL is a cross-platform graphics API, which means that the same code can be used on multiple operating system types with minimal changes.
- OpenGL runs on every computer with graphics output capability and requires no extra downloads.

### **1.5 Drawbacks of OpenGL**

- When it is not properly built, it can be very difficult to work with.
- It generally requires more resources than a non-graphical one.
- It might require the installation of additional software e.g., the “runtime environment” in the case of java.



## CHAPTER 2

### LITERATURE SURVEY

In late 1960's the development of Free-form curves and surfaces for computer graphics begins. Free-form curves and surfaces were developed to describe curved 3-D objects without using polyhedral representations which are bulky and intractable. To get a precise curve with polygons might require thousands of faces, whereas curved surfaces require much less calculations. The UNISURF CAD system was created for designing cars which utilized the curve theories.

A research was made but was never published so designers get most of the credit. The men were pioneers in Computer Aided Geometric Design (CAGD) for the auto industry, which replaced the use of hand drawn French-curve templates in design of auto bodies. The curves were based on Bernstein Polynomials which had been developed by the mathematician Bernstein much earlier. Another kind of basic curve predated that was the Hermite Curve developed by the mathematician Hermite. Also, in the same era as, Schoenberg, a mathematician at the university of Wisconsin was working on Mathematical Splines, which would influence the work of S.Coons at MIT in Splines, Bicubic Surface Patches, Rational Polynomials around 1968. A surface patch is freeform curved surface defined by two or more curves.

In 1973, designers based their research into parametric B-Splines on Coon's work. The main difference between B-Splines and Bezier curves is the former allows for local control system. B-Splines and Bezier curves is the former allows for local control of key control points and the later has more of a global control system. B-Splines are also faster to calculate for a computer than cubic polynomial based curves like the Hermite and Bezier. Rosenfield's pioneering development of B-Splines later influenced the E.catmull's research at Utah.

# CHAPTER 3

## REQUIREMENT ANALYSIS

### 3.1 Domain Understanding

The main objective is to develop a suitable OpenGL graphics package to implement basic computer graphics skills. The aim of the project is storing based animation of “SIMPLE LIGHT”.

### 3.2 Classification of Requirements

#### 3.2.1 User Requirements

Program to demonstrate the Rendering of a Beautiful story-based animation, in which the user can interact with the past which will have an impact on the future.

#### Requirement Collection

The character and objects used in the project are textured rectangles which are referred from websites and other libraries. This project makes use of objects and functions defined by the glut libraries. It makes use of C++ programming language.

The functions defined are:

- void draw\_gwheel()
- void draw\_columbus()
- void set\_material(int m)
- void initSky()
- void draw\_ground()
- void draw\_wagon()
- void getCurveAt(GLdouble \*ax, GLdouble \*ay, GLdouble \*az, int index, GLdouble atpoint)
- void draw\_string()

### 3.2.2 System Requirements

Here we are using header files namely <GL/glut.h>, functions in the OpenGL in windows are stored in a library usually referred as GL. GLUT uses only GL functions and also contains code for creating objects and simplifying, viewing, rather than using different library for each system here we can use readily available library called the OPENGL UTILITY TOOL KIT(GLUT).

#### Software Requirements

- Operating system: ubuntu
- Programming language-C++
- Compiler (g++)
- OpenGL library

#### Hardware Requirements

- Processor: Pentium processor
- Memory: 32MB RAM.
- Hard Disk:40GB Hard disk
- Interface Device: Mouse, Keyboard, Monitor of Resolution 1280x720

## CHAPTER 4

### SYSTEM ANALYSIS AND DESIGN

#### 4.1 System Analysis

- In this project we are mainly concentrating on using keyboard .
- **Start-up:** Click on 'r' to rotate or stop the light source.

Click on 's' for single step movement.

#### 4.2 System Design

The main function calls the following functions:

```
glutInit(&argc,argv);

glutInitDisplayMode(GLUT_DOUBLE| GLUT_RGB|GLUT_DEPTH);

glutInitWindowPosition(10,60);

glutInitWindowSize(360,360);

glutCreateWindow("Simple Light")

initRendering();

glutKeyboardFunc(myKeyboardFunc);

glutSpecialFunc(mySpecialKeyFunc);

glutReshapeFunc(resizeWindow);

glutDisplayFunc(drawScene);

glutMainLoop();
```

## CHAPTER 5

### IMPLEMENTATION

#### 5.1 Description of Implementation Modules

In this project I have created a simple light using “OpenGL” functional API by the help of built in the functions present in the header file. To provide functionality to the project I have written sub functions. These functions provide us the efficient way to design the project. In this chapter we are describing the functionality of our project using these functions.

#### 5.2 List of Implementation Functions

##### User Defined Functions

```
void myKeyboardfunc(unsigned char key ,int x ,int y)
```

This function is used to add the keyboard listener in an OpenGL.

```
void mySpecialKeyFunc(int key, int x, int y)
```

This function is used to handle all ‘Specialkey’ presses.

```
void drawScene(void)
```

This function handles the animation and the redrawing of the graphics window contents.

```
void initRendering()
```

This function initializes OpenGL’s rendering modes.

```
void resizeWindow(int w, int h)
```

This function is used to change the size of Window as per the requirements.

```
int main(int argc, char ** argv)
```

The program begins execution from this function.

### 5.3 Description of inbuilt functions

**main():**

The execution of the program starts from the main().

**glutInit():**

Initializes GLUT. The argument from main are passed in and can be used by the application.

**glutInitWindowSize():**

Specifies the initial height and width of the window in pixels.

**glutCreateWindow():**

Creates the window on the display. The string can be used to label the window.

**glutDisplayFunc():**

Registers the display function that is executed when the window needs to redraw.

**glutMainLoop():**

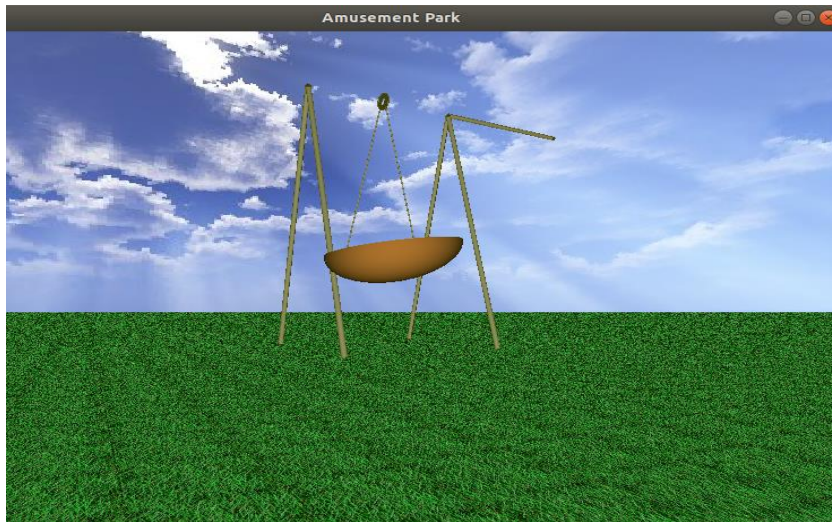
Causes the program to enter an event processing loop.

**init():**

This function is defined to initialize the window parameters.

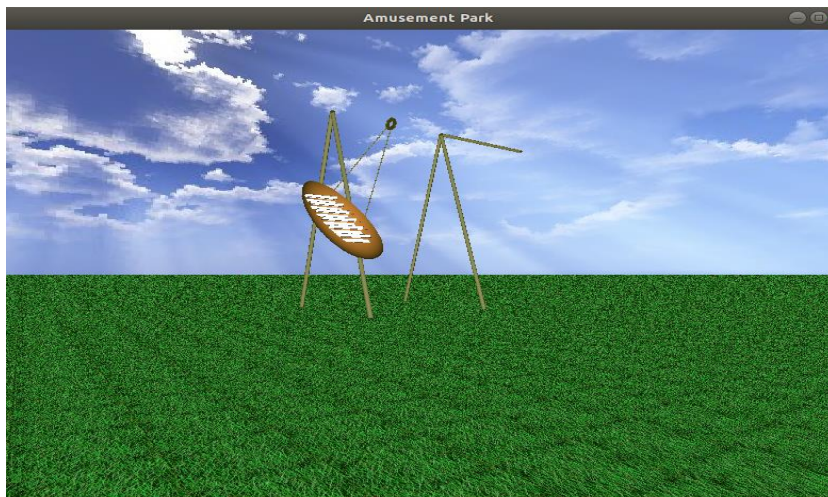
## CHAPTER 6

### SNAPSHOTS



**Fig 6.1: A Stationary Columbus Ship.**

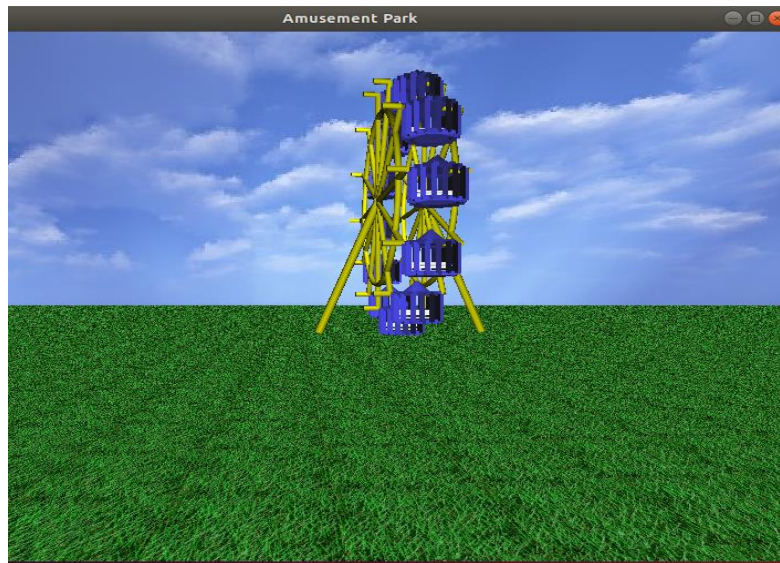
The above figure indicates a Stationary Columbus Ship placed in a park.



**Fig 6.2. A Columbus Ship in motion.**

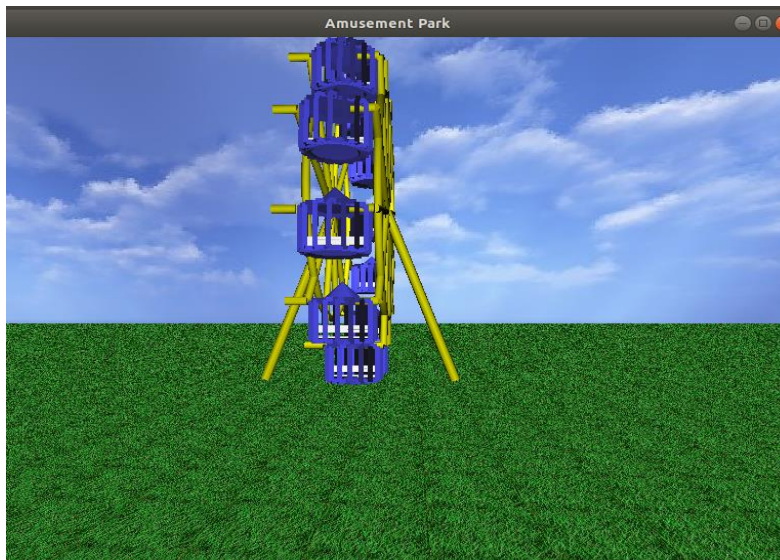
The above figure describes the state when a Columbus ship is started.





**Fig 6.3:A Stationary Giant Wheel.**

The above figure gives the part of the objects seen when light falls from the top.



**Fig 6.4: Giant Wheel in motion.**

The above figure gives the part of the objects seen when light falls from the bottom.



## CONCLUSION

OpenGL software was used to develop “INTERACTION BETWEEN LAYERS OF OSI MODEL” project which provided various commands to specify objects and operations in two-dimensional space. The very purpose of developing this project is to exploit the strength of OpenGL graphic capabilities and to illustrate the character movement and dialogue delivery of characters.

This project helped me learn a lot about the proper utilization of various graphics library functions that are defined in GLUT, GLU and GL. The package can be used for educational purposes to demonstrate the various curves, area filling algorithm, non-convex polygon and other OpenGL Primitives.

This project designed showcases the Amusement park. The theatrics involved in the smooth working of the rendered, giant wheel and Columbus is shown using functions available in the GLUT library of the OpenGL API. The architecture of the equipment can be visualised here. Few calculations made for the engineering involved in the giant wheel and Columbus can be studied , so that its implications can be made in real time amusement park development projects. Concluding that the sole motive of the project can be used in a simulation aspect for real time urban development projects.

## **FUTURE ENHANCEMENTS**

The currently developed project can improve in many areas. Time constraint and deficient knowledge has been a major factor in limiting the features offered by this display model.

The following features were thought and will be implemented to enhance the project.

- More interactive feature addition.
- Hardware interface inclusion.
- Using an OpenGL framework

Creating a more simulated environment to carry forward few calculations made in regard with the architecture of the different rides in the amusement park is a future enhancement.

Simulating the rides in a manner to employ them in AR-VR stimulation for 4D experience.

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