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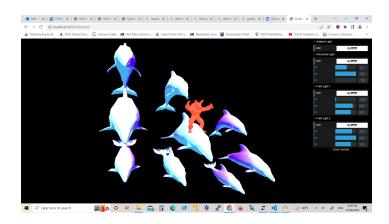


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## **Assignment 9: Geometry, Materials, and Lighting!**

We will load our favorite mesh from a file, try out different materials, and play around with light settings.



**Starter code for assignment 9.** After pulling from upstream, there is the folder 09 in your fork. If you run a webserver and access the file, you will see a sad single armadillo in the scene.

**Part 1 (14 points):** The armadillo needs a friend! Please load a second mesh from a file using a THREE.js loader. This could be any mesh you find online in any format THREE.js supports - or you could load the armadillo again. Please modify the positions so that the meshes do not overlap.

**Part 2 (15 points):** Please configure the second mesh from above with a different material of your choice (not Mesh-ToonMaterial again!).

Part 3 (10 points): Please add two point light sources to the scene.

Part 4 (15 points): The starter code includes the following snippet to control the color and position of the directional light.

```
var directionalFolder = gui.addFolder('Directional Light');
directionalFolder.addColor(controller, 'color').onChange( function(value) {
    directionalLight.color.setHex(value);
});
directionalFolder.add(directionalLight.position, 'x', -100, 100);
directionalFolder.add(directionalLight.position, 'y', -100, 100);
directionalFolder.add(directionalLight.position, 'z', -100, 100);
directionalFolder.open();
```

Please setup dat.GUI to control position and color of the two point lights with similar code.

**Part 5 (15 points):** Please setup dat.GUI to control the color of both materials.

**Part 6 (20 points):** Please play around with the lights and try to understand why the toon material seems to work \*sometimes\*. What are your observations?

It seems that depending on the position of the directional light, the toon material mesh on the armadillo 3D object appears to lose its texturing, and as consequence looks like a single shaded object without dimensions. This is only the case when the directional light does not strike an area of the mesh material, and that unlit section loses its dimensions. This enforces one of the things that was taught in lecture which is that light is necessary to see objects and their dimensions. In the case of the programming, light is required to shine on the surface of a mesh material in order for the normals comprising the surfaces to participate in a rendering equation for scattering to happen - or reflection off the normals to user perception.

Part 9 (1 points): Please update the screenshot above with your own and then post the github pages url here:

https://leekingryan.github.io/cs460student/09/index.html

**Part 10 (10 points):** Choose a final project—either an existing one from https://cs460.org/assignments/final/ or a new one. Please list the project here and in the link. If working as a team, assemble your team and list the team members below and in the link.

YOUR\_FINAL\_PROJECT\_CHOICE For the final project I will be working with Josh Glazer on creating a unique 3D snake game which we plan to adapt from the base idea of a snake elongating itself after eating an apple with other mechanics. Also we plan to update graphics from simple 2D to 3D.

## Bonus (33 points):

**Part 1 (11 points):** Please add dat.GUI elements that allow to switch the material for the two meshes. Here is an example of a combobox in dat.GUI:

```
// Choose from accepted values
gui.add(controller, 'material', [ 'toon', 'standard', 'phong' ] ).onChange( function(value) {
   if (value == 'phong') {
        // TODO
    }
});
```

**Part 2 (22 points):** Please make adding lights to the scene dynamic: Add dat.GUI buttons to add new directional lights that then also add a dat.GUI folder to the menu that allows to control (color and position), and remove the light.