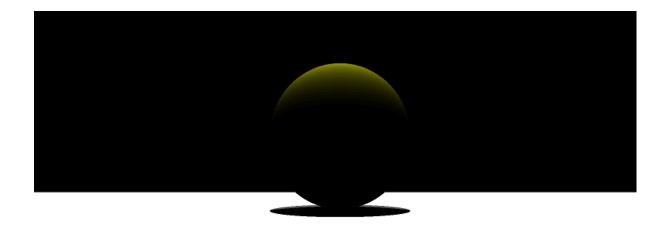
Raytracer

User documentation



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2. Useful links (users):

• Github: https://github.com/Njord201/Raytracer

3. The project:

The Raytracer project is realized in groups of 4 as part of the 2nd year at Epitech. The aim is to create a raytracing software program, creating a realistic image based on a scene provided by the user, which can contain shapes, light effects... When executed, the program takes the link to a .cfg file (scene configuration) and displays it directly on the screen.

4. Supported by our Raytracer

- Primitives
 - Sphere
 - Cylinder infini
 - Plane
 - Cube
 - Cone infini
 - Primitives Materials (flatColor...)

Camera

- Resolution
- Position
- Rotation
- FOV (Field Of View)

Lights

- Ambient lights
- Light diffuse multiplier
- Lights points
- Directional lights
- Shadows

• Transformations:

- Rotation
- Translation

Scenes:

Load a scene from another (.cfg load from .cfg)

5. Dependencies:

Make sure you meet these dependencies on your system so that Raytracer works properly.

- Make
- G++ (Compilateur C++)
- SDL2
- Git (Correctly set up)

6. Install + run Raytracer

- Open terminal
- Type "git clone https://github.com/Njord201/Raytracer.git"
- Type "cd Raytracer/"
- To compile the raytracer type "make" or "make re"
- To run, type "./Raytracer {chemin_fichier.cfg}" with a valid configuration file. Or –help for help.

7. Configure scenes

I. Introduction

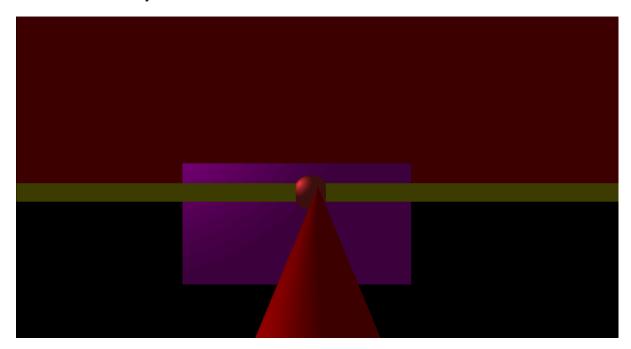
When you run Raytracer, you provide a path to a .cfg file. Several examples are available in tests/files_samples/.

Your configuration files should follow the Libconfig file format, like this one:

```
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camera :
     resolution = { width = 1920; height = 1080; };
position = { x = 0.0; y = -0.0; z = 0.0; };
rotation = { x = 0.0; y = 0.0; z = 0.0; };
fieldOfView = 72.0; # In degree
      { x = 6; y = -5; z = 200; r = 15; material = { type = "flatColor"; color = { r = 255; g = 64; b = 64;};}, );
     # List of cylinder:
cylinders = (
      { x = 6; y = -5; z = 200; r = 10; axis="X"; material = { type = "flatColor"; color = { r = 255; g = 255; b = 0;};} },
   { position = 500; axis="Y"; rotation = { x = 0.0; y = 0.0; z = 0.0; }; material = { type = "flatColor"; color = { r = 255; g 0; b = 0;};} }
# List of rectangulars cuboids
rectangular_cuboids = (
    { minX = -200; minY = -105; minZ = 250; maxX = 45; maxY = 25; maxZ = 260; material = { type = "flatColor"; color = { r = 255; g = 0; b = 255;};}; translation = {x = 100, y = 0, z = 0};},
lights :
     ambient = 0.5; # Multiplier of ambient light
diffuse = 0.6; # Multiplier of diffuse light
# List of point lights
          {position = \{x = 0; y = 500; z = 10;\}; direction = \{x = 0; y = 0; z = 0;\} 
};
imports : {
```

As you can see, we can configure the camera, the primitives and the lights. All three are mandatory. Imports are optional.

Result with our Raytracer on 10/05/2024 for this scene:



II. Camera configuration:

```
camera :
{
    resolution = { width = 1920; height = 1080; };
    position = { x = 0.0; y = -0.0; z = 0.0; };
    rotation = { x = 0.0; y = 0.0; z = 0.0; };
    fieldOfView = 72.0; # In degree
};
```

Caméra "camera" takes:

- Resolution
 - Width
 - Height
- Position
 - XYZ
- Rotation
 - XYZ
- "fieldOfView" takes degrees.

III. Primitives configuration:

For each primitive (cylinder, sphere...), you can specify several.

```
primitives :
{
    #ici les primitives
};
```

a. Color/Material primitives

We currently support the **flatColor**. You will find this material used for all primitives right now in the following samples.

```
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material = { type = "flatColor"; color = { r = 255; g = 0; b = 0;};}
```

A material needs the following parameters:

- **Type** (flatColor available).
- Color, taking as parameter "r" "g" "b" for the flatColor rgb.

b. Spheres

A **sphere** needs the following parameters:

- Origin "x" "y" "z".
- Radius "r".
- Material "material" (Cf. 7.c.i).

c. Infinite Cylinders

A **cylinder** needs the following parameters:

- Origin "x" "y" "z".
- Radius "r".
- Axis "axis".
- Material "material" (Cf. 7.c.i).

d. Infinite cones

```
cones = {
    { x = 0; y = 0; z = 100; angle = 45; axis="Y"; material = { type = "flatColor"; color = { r = 255; g = 0; b = 0;};} }
);
```

An **infinite cone** needs the following parameters:

- Origin "x" "y" "z".
- Angle "angle" en °.
- Axis "axis" soit X Y ou Z.
- Material "material" (Cf. 7.c.i).

e. Planes

A plane needs the following parameters:

- Position "position".
- Axis "axis" soit X Y ou Z.
- Material "material" (Cf. 7.c.i).

f. Cubes

A **cube** needs the following parameters:

- Coordinates: minX minY minZ maxX maxY maxZ.
- Material "material" (Cf. 7.c.i).

g. Configuration transformations primitives:

You can move your primitives in the space.

```
rectangular_cuboids = ( { minX = -200; minY = -105; minZ = 250; maxX = 45; maxY = 25; maxZ = 260; material = { type = "flatColor"; color = { r = 255; } g = 0; b = 255;};; translation = {x = 100, y = 0, z = 0}; rotation = { x = 0.0; y = 0.0; z = 0.0; };});
```

Available: translation + rotation.

- Rotation needs x y z.
- Translation needs x y z.

IV. Lights configuration:

Lights supports these:

- "ambient" the ambient light. A multiplier.
- "diffuse", the light diffusion multiplier.
- "point", the lighting points
 - Each light point needs "x" "y" "z"
- "directional" directional lights
 - A directional light needs:
 - Coordonnées "x" "y" "z"
 - Direction "x" "y" "z"

V. Loading a scene from another scene:

This "imports" configuration is optional. It allows you to import another scene or a .cfg file from a scene. Parameters such as **imports**, **primitives and lights** will be imported.

Imports can take scenes as parameters, each with a path link to the configuration.

Potential infinite loops are well managed: if a file imports itself, the program will detect it.