MTAT.03.015 Computer Graphics (Fall 2013) Exercise session XIV: OGRE

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In this exercise session we will have a look at high-level graphics engine called OGRE¹. We will see how the concepts we know about are included into the OGRE engine making our life easier: lighting, materials, shadows, environmental mapping and other techniques are made accessible by adding few lines of code, without the need to implement all annoying details on our own.

The solutions will have to be submitted as a zipped project directory. Please do not remove Windows libraries if you work on Linux and vice versa.

1 Structure of the application

We start by comparing the structure of the application to the familiar structure we've been using so far. Please open 1_0greTriangle project and read through the code in the triangle.cpp file. Compare it to the GLUT-based applications we have seen before.

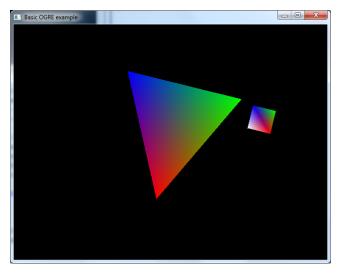
Exercise 1 (0.5pt). Add a small square which will fly around the triangle and rotate around it's own center. For that you will need to

- 1. Create a new Ogre::ManualObject object using createManualObject() method of the scene manager.
- Describe vertices of you square. Look up in the documentation of the Ogre::RenderOperation class² which operation type you should use. Note that in OGRE we first create the vertex itself and then describe it's attributes.
- 3. Create Ogre::SceneNode and attach the new object to it.
- 4. Use this SceneNode to animate our object (update it's potision) in the frameRenderingQueued() method, which is an analog of idleFunc() in GLUT.

¹http://www.ogre3d.org/

²http://www.ogre3d.org/docs/api/html/classOgre_1_1RenderOperation.html

The existing code for the triangle will serve you as example. The result should look something like this:



2 High-levelness

Open project 2_OgreLight

Exercise 2 (0.5pt). Add light and material. Lots of instructions here or leave partial code.

Exercise 3* (0.5pt). Add a plane and a stencil shadow

Open project 3_OgreMesh

Exercise 4 (0.5pt). Shadow mapping. Is it hard?

Exercise 5 (1pt). Skybox with sky texture. Or any other texture (are there many of them in OGRE?)

Exercise 6* (1pt). Make mesh reflective. So that it will reflect this skybox

3 Plugins

Open project 4_OgrePlugins. You can switch scenes, look how it's done.

Exercise 6 (0.5pt). Do ??? with particle system

Exercise 6* (1pt). Add some other plugin (or any other display of creativity?)