

CS559 Midterm 2

Shapes Basics – lec9, 12

- curves vs. areas vs. surfaces vs. volumes

Not all curves are the boundaries of areas

Not all surfaces are the boundaries of solids

- A Point is 0D (just a point) – can be 2D, 3D,
- A Curve is 1D (length) – can be 2D, 3D, ...
- A Surface is 2D (area) – can be 2D, 3D, ...
- A Volume is 3D (solid) – can be 3D, ...

- implicit vs. parametric vs. subdivision forms

- Implicit: $f(x,y) = 0$, geometric test, harder for drawing
- Parametric: $(x,y) = f(t)$, generate points, free parameter (t) control mapping
 - Curve: a set of points
 - parameterization: mapping
- Subdivision: initial points, converges rule to add new points, repeat infinitely
 - limit curve

- free parameters (parametric representations)

control mapping, can always scale to 0–1

convention:

- u for unit parameterization [0,1]
- t for more general cases, include units

Parametric Curves – lec9

- tangents – lec9, 10

$\mathbf{x}' = \mathbf{f}'(x)$, vector, function of the free parameter

The 2nd derivative can be seen as 2 parts:

- component in the direction of the tangent
- component perpendicular to the direction of the tangent

→ Normalize the "speed" (unit tangent), 2nd derivative is perpendicular

- piecewise polynomials and parameters – lec9 p33

Chains of low-degree polynomials

line segment chains (1st degree), chains of 2nd or 3rd degree (or more)

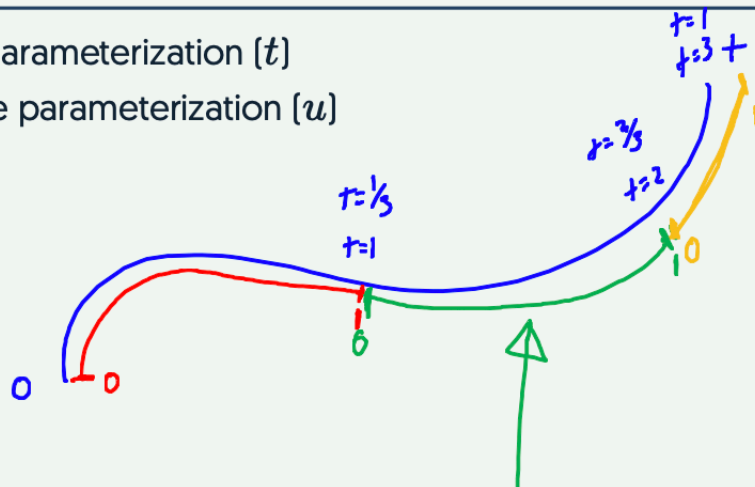
Given n points, you can make an $n - 1$ degree polynomial

hard to compute, hard to control, unwanted wiggles

Piecewise Parameterizations

Overall parameterization $[t]$

Per-piece parameterization $[u]$



- cubic segments – lec9 p47

- specify position and 1st derivative at the ends $C(1)$
- interpolation, local control
- 4x4 matrices (just like 3D transformations)

$$f(u) = a_0 + a_1u + a_2u^2 + a_3u^3$$

- Blending (basis) function forms

Define in terms of basis functions

$$f(u) = b_0(u)p_0 + b_1(u)p_1 + b_2(u)p'_0 + b_3(u)p'_1$$

More: lec11 p28

Piecewise Parametric curves – lec9

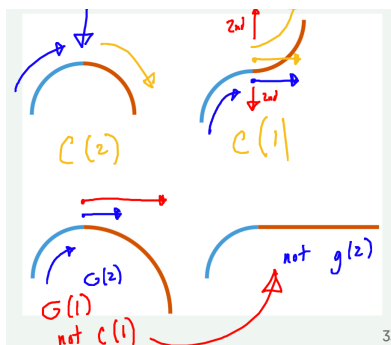
- continuity conditions – lec9

$C(n)$

- $c(0)$, no gaps \rightarrow positions
- $c(1)$, no corners \rightarrow positions, tangents (1st derivatives)
- $c(2)$, looks smooth \rightarrow positions, tangents (1st derivatives), 2nd derivatives
- important for airflow (airplane, car, boat design) and reflections

- C vs. G continuity – lec9

$C(n)$ continuity – all derivatives up to n match $G(n)$ continuity – the directions of the derivatives match, ignore speed



- Hermite forms – lec9 p49

can make c(1) easily, end point and derivative at end point to be the same

specify position and 1st derivative at ends: p_0, p_1 and p'_0, p'_1

need to compute a_i from these

$$f(u) = p_0 u^0 + p'_0 u^1 + (-3p_0 - 2p'_0 + 3p_1 - p'_1)u^2 + (2p_0 + p'_0 - 2p_1 - p'_1)u^3$$


$$f(u) = (1 - 3u^2 + 2u^3)p_0 + (u - 2u^2 + 1)p'_0 + (3u^2 - 2u^3)p_1 + (-u^2 + u^3)p'_1$$

$$\text{or } f(u) = b_0(u)p_0 + b_1(u)p_1 + b_2(u)p'_0 + b_3(u)p'_1$$

basic functions $b(u)$, e.g. $b_0(u) = 1 - 3u^2 + 2u^3$

matrix form

Basis Matrix



$$\begin{bmatrix} u^0 & u^1 & u^2 & u^3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -3 & -2 & 3 & -1 \\ 2 & 1 & -2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} p_0 \\ p'_0 \\ p_1 \\ p'_1 \end{bmatrix}$$

The matrix is for **Hermite** curves - different matrix, different control points

Interpolating Curves – lec10, workbook5

interpolation: specify the value of curve at a particular site

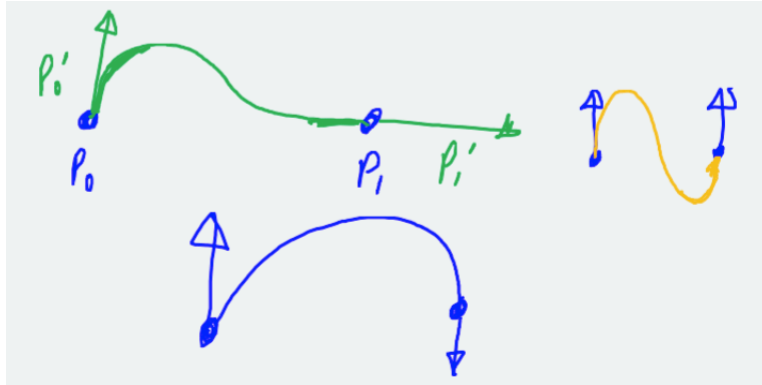
$$f(u_i) = p_i, f'(u_i) = p'_i$$

- Hermite interpolation

see above for hermite equations

$$f(u) = p_0 u^0 + p'_0 u^1 + (-3p_0 - 2p'_0 + 3p_1 - p'_1)u^2 + (2p_0 + p'_0 - 2p_1 - p'_1)u^3$$

- sketching and designing with Hermites – lec11 p 8



- Cardinal Splines, Catmull–Rom splines – lec11 p10

<https://cs559-spring21.github.io/wb05-YoungWu559/docs/5/>

avoid specifying derivatives, compute derivatives based on neighbor points

e.g. $p_1' = p_2 - p_0$

not interpolate the endpoints

n points $\rightarrow n-1$ degree polynomial,

hard to compute, control, unwanted wiggles

$C(1)$

- sketching, drawing, converting to other forms, ...

- locality (interpolating high-order polynomials)

changing a point only influences a limited amount of the curve

Bezier Curves

• Bezier curve principles and properties – lec 10 p 21

Some points interpolate, others influence

2 points: connect the dots (line) – or anything else!

If we are not interpolating the third point...

- Interpolate the end points
- Stay inside the triangle
- Not "wiggle too much"
- Symmetry (forward/backwards)
- Locality (only these points)
- Control tangents (2* vector)
- Generalize to higher degree (more points)

n points → n-1 degree polynomial

Advantages

- Efficient algorithms
- Common UIs
- Supported in most APIs
- Nice mathematical properties
- Affine Invariance: transform points → transform curve
- Elegant derivations

max crossing = degree of polynomial → 4 points: 3 crossing

• Quadratic Bezier Curves –lec10, p 27, lec11

3 points

Three points will give quadratic polynomials $d = n - 1$

$$f(u) = B_1(u)p_1 + B_2(u)p_2 + B_3(u)p_3$$

$$B_1(u) = (1 - u)^2$$

$$B_2(u) = 2u(1 - u)$$

$$B_3(u) = u^2$$

quadratic to cubic:

$$C_0 = Q_0$$

$$C_1 = Q_0 + (2/3) (Q_1 - Q_0)$$

$$C_2 = Q_2 + (2/3) (Q_1 - Q_2)$$

$$C_3 = Q_2$$

- Cubic Bezier Curves (relationship to Hermite)

4 points

$$f(u) = B_1(u)p_1 + B_2(u)p_2 + B_3(u)p_3 + B_4(u)p_4$$

$$B_1(u) = (1 - u)^3$$

$$B_2(u) = 3u(1 - u)^2$$

$$B_3(u) = 3u^2(1 - u)$$

$$B_4(u) = u^3$$

- Geometric Algorithms (DeCasteljau) – lec10

Repeated Linear Interpolation to evaluate curve

workbook5: <https://cs559-spring21.github.io/wb05-YoungWu559/docs/7/>

- Basis Functions (Bernstein forms) – lec 10

General blending(basic) function:

- $f(u) = \sum_{i=0}^d b_{i,d} p_i$
- $b_{k,n}(u) = C(n, k) u^k (1 - u)^{n-k}$

- limits of Bezier curves (why rational curves) – lec11

- Sometimes we want interpolation
- They are polynomials
 - Some shapes cannot be represented exactly(e.g., circles)
- They are "only" affine invariant: transform points: transformed curve
 - not projective invariant
- Hard to get smoothness better than C/G(1)

Rational polynomial curve

- a curve as the ratio of two polynomials

- $f(u) = \frac{\sum a_i u^i}{\sum b_i u^i}$

- allows for projective invariance
- more shapes
- complicated
- mechanical design → exact shape

- Bezier curves in APIs – lec10

```
context.quadraticCurveTo(cx,cy, x,y);  
context.bezierCurveTo(c1x,c1y, c2x,x2y, x,y);
```

works like lineTo, extend path

Advanced Curve Topics – lec11, workbook5

- Arc length and arc-length parameterization

<https://cs559-spring21.github.io/wb05-YoungWu559/docs/10/>

Compute the distance along the curve from 0 to u ,

require integral \rightarrow usually must be approximated by breaking into small segments

parameterization:

- use the length as parameter
- s = distance along the curve, not time
- can normalize (total distance 1 or 100%)
- s changes at constant rate \rightarrow velocity along the curve will be constant
- equal steps in s give equal amounts of distance
- give $s \rightarrow$ compute t

- Approximating curves with segments

<https://cs559-spring21.github.io/wb05-YoungWu559/docs/10/>

- B-Splines

- motivations

- A very general formulation of curves
- Many different types of B-Splines
- Interesting History
- Geometric and Algebraic Derivations

advantages

- Curves of any degree d
- Locality: each control point influences $d + 1$ segments

- Continuity: curve is $C(d-1)$
- Stays with the Convex Hull
- Symmetric
- Affine Invariant
- Variation Diminishing
- not interpolating

Geomatic approach: chakin corner cutting

subdivide each line segment, piecewise quadratic, converges to a B-Spline

Approximating curve: it does not interpolate its (initial) points

- blending, basis functions

Degree d has $d + 1$ segments, meet with $C(d-1)$ continuity

3D Basics – lec12

• how we see in 3D

depts and distance, sense 2D, infer 3D

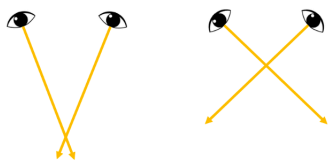
• depth cues (1 eye, 2 eye, image based)

One eye: accomdation

- depth from focus: cameras
- weak cue
- Everything more than a meter is far

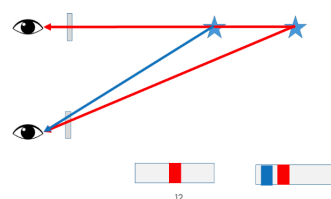
two eyes: convergence, disparity

Convergence (kinesthetic)



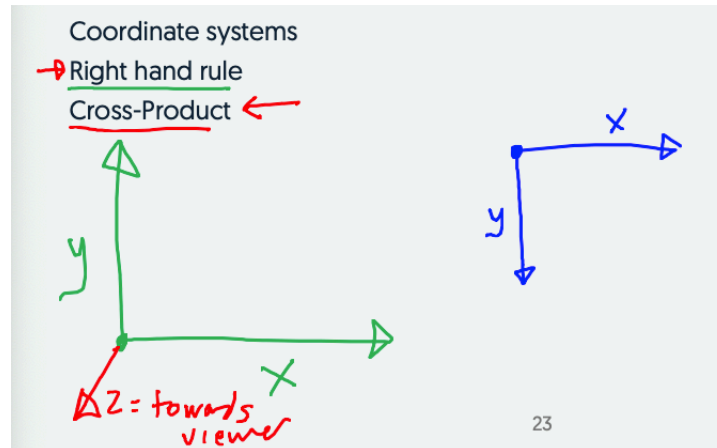
Only for things that are close

Disparity



many eyes (multiple time): parallax, depth from motion

- 3D coordinate systems, right hand rule



- Normals and Tangents

In 3D,

- the tangent to a surface (at a point) is a plane
- the normal to a surface (at a point) is a vector
- the tangent to a curve is a vector
- the normal to a curve is a plane (defined by normal vectors)

3D APIs

- comparison of WebGL and THREE

Three

- A mid-level graphics API
- Easy (relatively) to get started
- Takes care of messy bits
- Allows us to work with scenes/objects – and not hardware
- concepts
 - Scenes, Geometries, Meshes, Transformations, Hierarchy . Materials, Cameras, Renderer

- main abstractions of 3D Graphics

- Frame buffer (pixel storage)
- 4D Vectors
- Triangles
- Shader program management
- Memory blocks and buffers
- Options for various hardware operations
- How to manage the graphics hardware

Graphic abstractions

1. Have a world
2. Make objects from primitives
3. Place objects in world
4. Figure out what color/style
5. Transform to screen
6. Figure out what is visible
7. Color the pixels

THREE Basics – lec13, 14

- hello cube abstractions – lec13

1. Create the Canvas and Set up
2. Create the World
3. Create the Cube
4. Give it a Material (how it should look)
5. Put the Cube into the World
6. Make a Camera (transform 3D to 2D)
7. Draw

- meshes vs. geometries – lec13

Geometry: make the object, collection of triangles in three

- make everything out of triangles
- store triangles using special data structures
- standard shapes provided

Mesh: three graphics object, geometry and material, transform, hierarchy

• materials – lec13

We need the "stuff" the object is made out of before the object

- Surface properties, how it interacts with light, ...
- Will allow us to do fancy things later
- THREE provides many options – easy to do fancy things

Standard Graphics Models: Lambert's model Phong's model

Fancier Models provided in Three: MeshStandardMaterial, MeshPhysicalMaterial

And Fancier ones (and programmable ones)

• transformations – lec13

Object3D has a matrix

Object3D has position / rotation / scale

Object3D has "transform" methods

Three builds the matrix from position, rotation, scale in order

• hierarchy – lec15

Group are Object3D with no geometry or material

Every object can have one parent, Might be the scene (not really a parent) or Trees (not more complex DAGs)

Using these matrices

To the screen from **object** coordinates

$$X_{\text{screen}} = P C^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} T_{pa} & R_{pa} & S_{pa} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} T_{ch} & R_{ch} & S_{ch} \end{bmatrix} X_{ch}$$

- T_{pa} R_{pa} S_{pa} - parent transformations
- T_{ch} R_{ch} S_{ch} - child transformations
- Note that parent scale does affect the children
- Note that this is still "one matrix" [we can multiply it all together] x vector

- deferred loading – lec 14

```
import { OBJLoader } from "../libs/CS559-Three/examples/jsm/loaders/OBJLoader.js";
let loader = new OBJLoader();

loader.load("./objects/07-astronaut.obj", function(astronaut) {
  astronaut.position.set(1.5, 4, 0);
  astronaut.scale.set(0.5, 0.5, 0.5);
  scene.add(astronaut);
  renderer.render(scene, camera);
});
```

asynchronous programming, function was called after loading the object

- lighting and shading basics – lec13, 14

Ambient Light

Point Light

Directional Light

SpotLight

Area Lights (for fancy materials)

T.MeshStandardMaterial reflect light

The lights are objects in the world

We control their transformation to place them

- state vs. transformation commands

state: set the state to...

transform commands: translate/rotate.....

Objects have methods to perform transformations

Objects have state that can be set directly

translate affected by rotation, set position += ... not affected by rotation

Transformations in 3D – lec14

- use of homogeneous coordinates

4x4 Homogeneous Transformations

- Affine transformations to position objects in world
- Camera transformations to position relative to camera
- Projection (Viewing) transformation to position on screen

Multiply matrices to combine!

Objects each have their own transformation

built from trans, rot, scale each time

keep pieces separate for convenience

- rotate, translate, and scale in THREE

scale

- Is state (what is the scaling factor)
- It is applied last (after translate/rotate)
- It is not affected by other transformations (of its object)
- It does not affect other transformations (of its object)

Rotation:

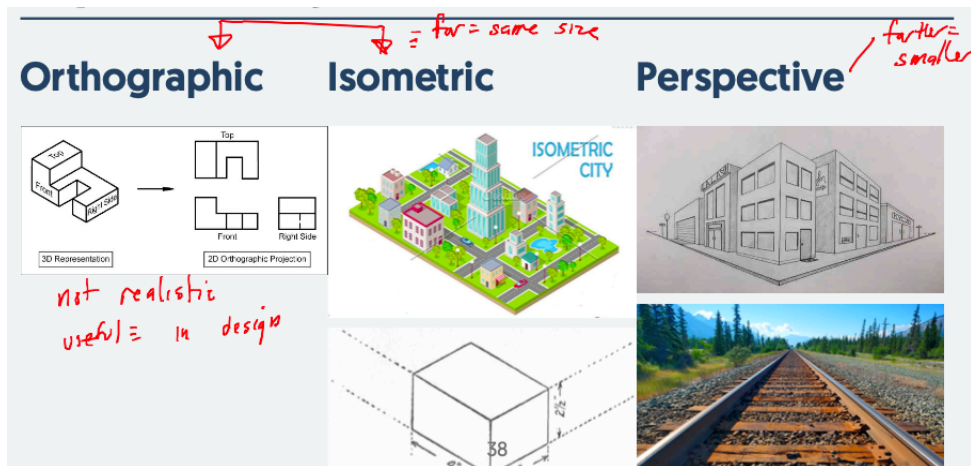
Viewing (Projection) transformations – lec14, 15

- Viewing vs. Camera Transformations

- `camera.lookat(x,y,z)` – orients the camera
 - changes the object's rotation
 - works for any object
 - rotates around the "position" so Z points toward the point
 - takes care of twist around the point

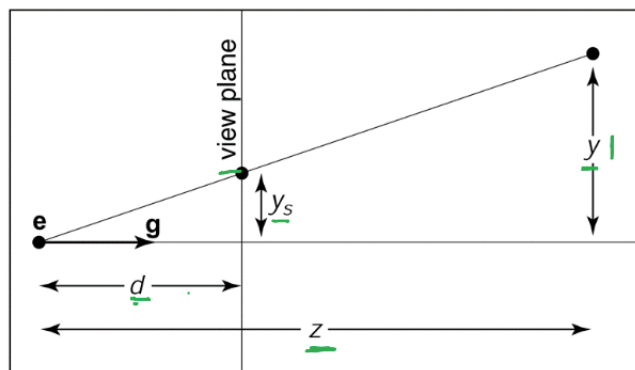
- type of projections

Orthographic, isometric, perspective



- projection math

Perspective math $\underline{y_s} = \frac{d}{z} y$



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linear in homogeneous coordinates

Linear?

↓ x ↓ z

$$\begin{bmatrix} \underline{d} & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & d & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & \underline{1} & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \underline{x} \\ \underline{y} \\ z \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

or

$$\begin{aligned} x_p &= d x \\ y_p &= d y \\ z_p &= 1 \\ \underline{w_p} &= z \end{aligned}$$

Don't forget the divide by w!

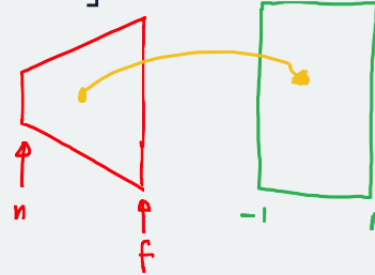
Note what happens to z

$x' = \frac{x_p}{w_p} = \frac{dx}{z}$

The Matrix in the Book

$$\begin{bmatrix} n & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & n & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & n+f & -fn \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

n - near plane distance
 f - far plane distance



• clipping and frustum

Clip things that are too close or too far

- too close can be weird (or behind you)
- too far can be too small (or numerical issues)
- map n/f to the range $+/- 1$

Map the frustum to the "screen box"

Transformations position objects in the screen box Clipped in all directions

Clipping:

- You don't see things out of the "window" "
- Canonical" Coordinates:
 - origin at center
 - $+/- 1$ in all directions
 - X left to right (1=right edge)
 - Y bottom to top (1=top)
 - Z back to front* (1=front), Note: we look down the negative z axis – but THREE flips this
- Important internally – hidden inside the transformations in THREE

Rotations – lec16

• basic facts

- Orthonormal Matrices (linear transformations)
 - all rows (columns) have unit length
 - all rows (columns) mutually orthogonal
- Positive determinant (preserve handedness)
- Have an inverse
- The inverse is the transpose (only rotations)
- Closed set (composition yields another rotation)
- Associates (do operation in any order)
- Does not commute (in general)
- It is a rigid transformation → preserves distances and handedness
- 3D: Center of rotation is an axis
- normal 2D: about Z axis

• single axis rotations

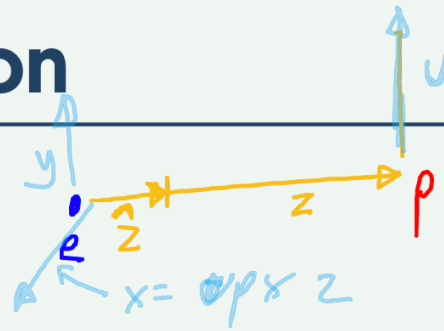
• lookat transformations – lec15

Only specifies 2 degrees of freedom

Z axis is the direction the camera looks in

Geometric Derivation

1. Point z at target
2. Find x (right) as $up \times z$
3. Find y (local up) as $z \times x$



Note: we compute the 3 vectors of the 3x3 matrix

We don't need angles!

- normalize "at target" and "y-up"
- cross products keep orthogonal

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- rotations about multiple axes

- Euler Angles

Any rotation can be represented as a sequence of three rotations about a fixed axis

Rotation around 3 fixed axes

Could be any order (XYZ, ZYX, ZXY)

Can repeat (ZXZ)

Can be local or global

- Axis Angle representations

Any rotation can be represented as a single rotation about some axis

rotate around a single axis

Bad: hard to figure out what axis, hard to compose

Rotation vector: Store the angle as the magnitude of the axis

- Gimbal Lock and other Euler Angle problems

Gimbal lock

- No matter what X is, Y=90 aligns Z with it
- There is no way to get the Y axis out of the X=0 plane We lost a degree of freedom

Rotate about X then Y == Rotate about Y then Z same! (but different path)

Euler angle good: Easy for 1 axis, Easy for simple combinations

bad:

- Hard to get what you want (unintuitive combinations)
- Can't interpolate
- Gimbal lock (can't get there from here)

- Motivations for Quaternions

4-dimensional complex number

State of 3dobject

easy to compose and interpolate

multiplication preserves unit-ness

multiplication composes transformations

JavaScript Tips:

- ES6 modules – lec9

```
<script src="1-1.js" type="module" defer></script>
```

```
import { functionGallery } from "../1-curves.js";  
export function functionGallery(context, t, tangentScale) {
```

- Casts and Type Checks – lec11

```
// Unsafe casts, document what you know
const canvas = ( /* @type {HTMLCanvasElement} */ document.getElementById("mycanvas"));

// Explicit Type Checks
let canvas = document.getElementById("mycanvas");
if (!(canvas instanceof HTMLCanvasElement))
  throw new Error("Canvas is not an HTML Canvas Element"); // handle error
```

- inheritance and subclasses–lec16

```
class Parent {
  constructor(a,b) {
    this.a = a;
    this.b = b;
    this.c = 10;
  }
  method() {
    console.log(this.a,this.c);
  }
};

class Child extends Parent {
  constructor(b) {
    super(3,b);
    this.c = 20; // this doesn't exist until super()
  }
}

let thing1 = new Parent(1,2);
thing1.method(); // prints 1,10

let thing2 = new Child(5);
// Child class uses parent methods (unless it overrides them)
thing1.method(); // prints 3,20
```

- methods and this – lec15

```
// methods: this does correct
class MyClass {
  constructor(a) {
    this.a = a;
  }
  a2() { console.log(this.a);} }
let inst = new MyClass(5); inst.a1();
```

```
//inner function,
class MyClass {
  constructor(a) {
    this.a = a;
    this.a1 = function() {console.log(this.a);} }
  a2() { console.log(this.a);}
}
let inst = new MyClass(5);
inst.a1(); inst.a2();

// in any function as member, defined at call time, not lexical
class MyClass {
  constructor(a) {
    this.a = a;
    this.a1 = function() {console.log(this.a);} }
  a2() { console.log(this.a);}
}
let inst = new MyClass(5);
inst.a3 = function() {console.log(this.a);} inst.a1();
inst.a2();
inst.a3();
```

- asynchronous programming (callbacks, promises, await) – lec14

```
import { OBJLoader } from "../libs/CS559-Three/examples/jsm/loaders/OBJLoader.js";
let loader = new OBJLoader();
// function here is callback, to be called when things are ready
loader.load("./objects/07-astronaut.obj", function(astronaut) {
  astronaut.position.set(1.5, 4, 0);
  astronaut.scale.set(0.5, 0.5, 0.5);
  scene.add(astronaut);
  renderer.render(scene, camera);
});
```

```
//loadAsync return a promis, use then after, call when promise is filled
let obj = loader.loadAsync("./objects/07-astronaut.obj");
obj.then(function(astronaut) {
  astronaut.position.set(-2, 4, 0);
  astronaut.scale.set(0.5, 0.5, 0.5);
  scene.add(astronaut);
  renderer.render(scene, camera);
});
```

```
// await, works inside of asynchronous functions
let astro = await loader.loadAsync("./objects/07-astronaut.obj");
console.log(astro);
astro.position.set(-0, 4, -2);
astro.scale.set(0.5, 0.5, 0.5);
scene.add(astro);
renderer.render(scene, camera);
```

- parameter passing with dictionaries (WB7-1)