

COP 290 - Assignment 1

Screensaver of N balls

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1 Implementation

In this app, 'we are implementing a 3-D Screensaver consisting of N balls. The software required for running the app are:

- `g++`
- `Open-GL Libraries(Free-glut)`
- `p-threads library on C++`

2 How to Use

2.1 Start the app

In order to run the Screensaver for first time, type the command `make execute num_threads=n` in Linux terminal after changing to project directory, where `n`^{*} denotes the number of balls.

^{*} The maximum number of balls allowed is 30

If you want to execute it again, first remove `execute` and `compile` files from the project, using `rm execute compile` and again run `make execute num_thread=n`.

2.2 Controls

During execution, various parameters can be controlled with the help of Keyboard Buttons. These include:

- `↑` and `↓` Keys – To cycle through the balls selected for controls. Initially no ball is selected. The selected ball turns white in colour.
- `?` key – To clear the selection of balls.
- `←` and `→` keys – To change the velocity of selected ball. `←` key for increasing and `→` key for decreasing velocity.

- **w** and **s** – To move front and back in box, i.e, in the Z direction.
- **g** -To enable gravity in the ball. Each ball will then experience an acceleration in downward direction.
- **+** – Inorder to increase the count of balls currently present on the screen. The count can only be increased till 30.
- **Space key** – To pause the app. The balls and moving terrain will be paused. Again pressing **Space** key will start the app again.