CS 175 Assignment 6: Key Frame Animator (Part II) and Assignment 6.5: Material System

Due: Monday, November 3th, 11:59pm

This week's assignment includes conceptually two separate assignments, Assignment 6 and 6.5. You will submit the combined work using 6 as the assignment name in the submit command.

Assignment 6 (50%)

In this second part of the keyframe animation system you will substitute the linear interpolation used in the first part with Catmull-Rom interpolation. This will allow for smooth animation.

The previous part of this assignment included a system for creating, deleting, editing, and reading/writing keyframes. There was also a hotkey for playing the full animation from the first keyframe to the last at small increments of time using simple linear interpolation to generate frames in between keyframes.

In this assignment you will replace in your linear interpolation code with Catmull-Rom interpolation. Remember that:

- You will need at least 4 key frames for this to work. Between 2 keyframes, you will use the one following and the one previous key frame (total of 4) to create Bezier controls using the Catmull-Rom rule.
- The above means that the animation will begin interpolating from the second keyframe and ending in the second-to-last keyframe, advancing in small time increments similarly as was done in assignment 5. This is the reason that in assignment 5, we ask you to assume the key frames to be numbered -1, $0, \ldots, n$, and the valid range for the time parameter is only [0, n-1]. (Note: this is same notation we used in the Asst5 spec. In the text and notes though, we numbered the keyframes $-1, 0, \ldots, n+1$, and the valid range for the time parameter was only [0, n].)
- You will have one Cvec3 spline for each RBT's translation component and one Quat spline for each each RBT's rotation component.

During the animation, you will create intermediate states by evaluating the Bezier curves at intermediate times, and then use these intermediate states to display an intermediate frame. For the orientations you will need to use quaternion splines.

Assignment 6.5 (50%)

In this assignment we will also upgrade the scene graph infrastructure to allow for multiple types of materials with different GLSL shaders in a single scene. One particular material that you will help implement is a bump mapping material.

Task 1: Material Infrastructure (25%)

So far we have been using only one GLSL shader per frame during our rendering, as controlled by the global variable g_activeShader, an index into the global array of ShaderState's g_shaderStates[]. A more complex graphics program, such as a modern game, will use quite a few shaders to model different

surface properties. In this assignment, we will incorporate a material infrastructure that allows you to use multiple shaders in a single frame. The following sections explain the new classes that will be included in your program. Note that not until the last sub section should you start altering your code.

Uniforms

Conceptually, each shader takes in a bunch of uniform variables. Some of these uniform variables, such as the projection matrix, hold the same value for all shaders, and are set once at the beginning of the frame by you. Originally, you set it directly to the currently active GLSL shader. But if we start using a different GLSL shader in the same frame, we will need to set the values of these uniforms again, because different GLSL shaders do not know about the values of each other's uniform variables. This suggests we need some kind of data structure to hold the values of these uniform variables. Then when a new shader is selected, we populate its uniform variables with values from this repository.

In the supplied code, the Uniforms class defined in uniforms.h serves this purpose. It is essentially a dictionary mapping string name to uniform values. To use it, you would write

As you can see the first argument of Uniforms::put is the name of uniform variable as you have declared in the shader code. The second argument is the actual value. Right now put is overloaded to take the following types as the second parameter:

- A single float, int, or Matrix4.
- A Cvec<T, n> with T being float, int or double, and n being 1, 2, 3, or 4. In plain English, a int, float, or double Cvec with size 1, 2, 3, or 4.
- A shared_ptr<Texture> type.

The last bullet needs further explanation: If you recall from assignment 1, shaders can access textures by declaring a sampler2D typed uniform variables, e.g.,

```
uniform sampler2D uTexUnit0;
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It can then use the GLSL function texture() to look up values in the texture. However, the value that you supply to this uniform variable is an integer telling it which texture unit to use, as opposed to the actual texture handle. So before calling the shader, you need to manually bind the texture to the correct texture unit first by calling the appropriate sequence of glactiveTexture and glBindTexture.

In the provided material framework, the binding of texture to texture units is automatically done behind the scene. So to provide the value of a sampler2D variable in a Uniforms object, you simply put in a shared pointer to the actual texture, encapsulated by the Texture class (more on this later).

Now to recap, in the original codes, you set any uniforms directly by pulling the handle from ShaderState, and then calling one of glUniform* variants. In the new code, you will set the value to a Uniforms class, which will hold on to the value until it is needed by a shader. Thus, for the shape nodes SgShapeNode in the scene graph, its draw method now takes in a Uniforms object as input, instead of a ShaderState object. Similarly, the constructors for the Drawer visitor and the Picker visitor take in a Uniforms as argument, as opposed to a ShaderState.

RenderStates

Recall that when you draw the arcball, you enclose it with a pair of glPolygonMode calls to make it drawn in wireframe. OpenGL has a "state-machine" model; after you have change some states, all subsequent drawing commands use the new states. Hence after you have instructed OpenGL to draw things in wireframe, and drawn the arcball, you need to turn off the wireframe with another glPolygonMode call. This will quickly become hard to manage since different material properties might need different OpenGL state flags to be set, and your code will quickly become peppered with these state changing calls. (For example, in assignment 8, you will need to set states that controls how transparent objects are drawn. One of the state you will need to change for that assignment, is to enable framebuffer blending, by calling glEnable(GL_BLEND) before drawing the transparent objects. Afterward, you will need to call glDisable(GL_BLEND) to disable blending for non-transparent objects.)

To make your job easier, we have introduced a new class called RenderStates. It stores a subset of OpenGL states (that set will become larger and large as more states become relevant for our assignment). For example, it contains a polygonMode member function which takes the same arguments as glPolygonMode. The difference is that, when you set a state using RenderStates's member function, that state does not immediately take effect in OpenGL, but is stored within the object. Later, when you want a RenderStates internal states to take effect in OpenGL, you will call its apply() member function. Even when you do not set a state changing member function such as polygonMode, the RenderStates has a default value for that particular states. Thus, each RenderStates stores the values of the same set of OpenGL states. After a RenderStates has been apply'ed, the current OpenGL states will agree with the RenderStates's set of states.

So why would this be useful? Consider the following code snippets

```
// All three have a default polygonMode set to GL_FILL, and blending disabled
RenderStates r1, r2, r3;

// set r2 to be used for wireframe rendering
r2.polygonMode(GL_FRONT_AND_BACK, GL_LINE);

// set r3 to be used for transparent objects
r3.enable(GL_BLEND);

// At this point, actual OpenGL states have not been changed yet.

// Now we can switch between the three sets of render states easiliy
r2.apply(); // after this, GL states correspond to that of r2

// draw stuff in wireframe, and translucent;
r1.apply(); // after this, GL states correspond to that of r1

// draw stuff not in wireframe, and non translucent
r3.apply(); // after this, GL states correspond to that of r3

// draw stuff not in wireframe and translucent.
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As you can see, there is no saving and restoring of OpenGL states. All of that are handled by the RenderStates internal implementation.

Moreover, a smart implementation can do lazy state setting, and perform OpenGL calls only for states that have changed between successive apply().

Geometry and Texture

You have already encountered the Geometry and Texture classes before. Geometry encapsulates the OpenGL VBO and IBOs handles, whereas Texture encapsulates the OpenGL texture handles. So far we have had one type of Geometry: static geometry with a single vertex layout as defined by VertexPN. Similarly we have had a single type of Texture: 2D image maps. A more complex graphics program will often feature more different types of geometries and textures. For example: some geometry might need to be generated dynamically and rendered on the fly; cube texture maps (which are six 2D image textures that are mapped on an imaginary cube) might be needed to model a reflection effect; and so on.

Given that we are introducing a new Material system, and both geometry and texture need to interact with it, it is now a good time to refine our Geometry and Texture definitions a bit so that they play well with the new Material system, and can be extended to support different kind of geometries and textures in the future (definitely in the next assignment, and possibly for your final project). The new Geometry and Texture classes are both abstract classes with certain functions that once implemented, allow custom Geometry and Texture type to be used by the Material system. You should look at the detailed comments accompanying their definition in geometry.h and texture.h for details.

To demonstrate custom types of geometry and textures, we supply one concrete implementation of Texture and a bunch of implementations of Geometry, in texture.h and geometry.h.

- ImageTexture: A Texture that loads a PPM file with three channels, and optionally stores the content in SRGB color space.
- SimpleIndexedGeometry{PN|PNX|PNTBX}: Geometry implementations that encapsulate an index buffer and a vertex buffer consisting of vertices that provide different vertex attributes

PN: Position and Normal

PNX: Position, Normal, and teXture coordinates

PNTBX: Position, Normal, Tangent, Binormal, and teXture coordinates

• SimpleUnindexedGeometry{PN|PNX|PNTBX}: Geometry implementations that only encapsulate a vertex buffer with vertices of different format.

The different types of geometry classes above all use a more powerful and flexible geometry implementation called BufferObjectGeometry under the hood. BufferObjectGeometry defines a geometry object using one or more vertex streams of arbitrary format, zero or one index stream, and can draw its data as different primitives (e.g., triangles, quads, points, etc.)

Material: Pulling all together

Given the above, the actual Material class is a light-weight container of the following:

- It keeps a shared pointer to the actual GLSL shader program used.
- It keeps a Uniforms field, accessible through its getUniforms() member function.
- It keeps a RenderStates field, accessible through its getRenderStates() member function.

The default copy semantics works fine for Material, so one can make a copy a Material by writing codes like Material material2 = material1. This performs a deep-copy, so if you then change the uniforms stored in material2.getUniforms(), it won't affect the uniforms stored in material1.

The Material has a draw(geometry, extraUniforms) member function that takes in a geometry and some extra uniforms. This function will first set the GLSL shader, and set all the RenderStates it contains. Next it binds all uniforms used by the shader, first by looking at its own Uniforms, and then looking at the passed in extraUniforms. Textures are properly bound and set at this stage as well. Then it makes sure that the supplied geometry can provided the vertex attributes used by the shader, and enables the corresponding vertex attribute arrays. It then call geometry's draw function to draw the geometry. Finally it disables the previously enabled vertex attribute arrays.

As an example, suppose you want to use the new Material system to draw the arcball as a wireframe sphere with solid color, you would do the following

```
// Assume uniforms is of type Uniforms and already contains the projection matrix
// Assume g_arcballMat corresponds to a Material with the right renderstates and uniforms set

// Calculate the arcball's MVM

// Record it in uniforms
sendModelViewNormalMatrix(uniforms, MVM, normalMatrix(MVM));

// Draw with the material, assume g_sphere points to a Geometry for a sphere
g_arcballMat->draw(*g_sphere, uniforms);
```

The constructor of Material takes in two arguments, the file name of the vertex shader, and the file name of the fragment shader. And to make your life easier, if the file names contain the substring "-gl3" and the global flag gl_Gl2Compatible is set, the corresponding shader files with "-gl2" substring will be loaded. So in your code, you only need to supply one set of file names, the ones ending with "-gl3".

Plug into the Scene Graph

Our last step is to plug the material infrastructure into the scene graph. Also mentioned before, a shape node's draw function now takes in a Uniforms instead of ShaderStates as input. The same goes for the Drawer and Picker visitors.

Then our concrete implementation of the shape node, SgGeometryShapeNode in the replacement scenegraph.cpp is a simple wrapper around a shared pointer to a Material, a Geometry and the affine matrix. Its constructor now takes in a shared pointer to a full Material, as opposed to a simple color. Different SgGeometryShapeNodes in the scene graph can use completely different materials. Its draw method will use the Material to draw the Geometry contained in the same node.

There is one catch: when we're picking, we want to use one Material for all shapes. To accomplish this, we keep a global variable called g_overridingMaterial which is a shared_ptr<Material>. If it is NULL, the draw function of SgGeometryShapeNode will do its work using its own material as usual. If g_overridingMaterial is not NULL, whatever it points to will be used by SgGeometryShapeNode::draw() as the material.

Finally, Code Migration

To start off, make a copy of your current project directory just in case you need to go back to it.

Now copy all the files in the starter to your project directory, replacing files with same names in your current directory. Note that you have helped finishing the codes in picker.cpp, and scenegraph.cpp in assignment 4. So you can either choose to copy the code you have written to the new files, or just use the newly provided files. Since what you wrote implements a well specified method, your code and the solution code should accomplish the same thing, and using either version should be fine. The shaders directory should also replace your project's existing shaders directory (Actually there're only two new shaders, normal-*.fshader and normal-*.vshader).

If you are on Mac or Linux, the new Makefile is already included, and you should change your main program file to asst6_5.cpp. If you are on Windows, add all the cpp and h files to your project, except asst6_5-snippets.cpp.

Finally follow the instructions in asst6_5-snippets.cpp to change your asst6_5.cpp to use the new Material system. As you run the resulting program, you will notice that

- The robots are drawn with diffuse shading
- The arcball is drawn in wireframe.
- The ground is drawn with a texture.

Task 2: Bump Mapping (25%)

To make your pictures look even snazzier, you will help finishing a bump mapping implementation.

Make Light Movable

Your first goal is to make the two lights of the scene pickable and movable. This is a very low hanging fruit given our scene graph structure, and will help your inspect the bump mapping effect once you finish it.

Instead of storing the world position of the lights as two Cvec3's g_light1 and g_light2, you want to store them as Transform nodes in the scene graph. The origin of these frames serve as the position of the lights, and you can attach a Shape node to the Transform nodes so that the position of the light become visible, pickable, and manipulatable (e.g., just attach a sphere)

To pass the lights' eye space coordinates to the shader, you will need to do something like the following:

```
// get world space coordinates of the light
Cvec3 light1 = getPathAccumRbt(g_world, g_light1Node).getTranslation();
// transform to eye space, and set to uLight uniform
uniforms.put("uLight", Cvec3(invEyeRbt * Cvec4(light1, 1)));
```

assuming your g_light1Node points to the SgRbtNode corresponding to the first light.

Refer to how g_groundNode is set and added to g_world in initScene() on how to do this. (Don't forget to call g_world's addChild!) You probably want to use g_lightMat as the material for these shape nodes.

Write Some GLSL

First of all, we will give you a texture FieldstoneNormal.ppm, but the 3 values making up its pixel will not be interpreted as RGB values, but rather as the 3 coordinates of a normal. If you refer to initMaterials() that you added inserted to your program, you will see that this texture is bound to the uTexNormal uniform variable of the g_floorMat material, which uses the shaders normal-gl{2|3}.{f|v}shader.

You need to change the fragment shader normal-gl{2|3}.fshader (depending on your g_Gl2Compatible setting) to read the appropriate pixel from the texture, transform it to eye space, and use it for shading calculation. This will give your geometry a high resolution look.

Texture Coordinates: each vertex will need (x, y) texture coordinates. We will build these in to our ground, cube, and sphere geometry objects. These attributes are passed into the vertex shaders for the draw call. You can access them as vTexCoord in the fragment shader.

Data range: The texture stores its pixel data as triplets (rgb) of real numbers between 0 and 1, while normal coordinates are triplets (xyz) of numbers in the range -1 to 1. Thus you need to apply a scale and then shift to the data before using it. The scale and shift should be chosen so that $0 \mapsto -1$ and $1 \mapsto 1$.

Yet more matrix stuff: We want to store our normal map data in such a way that we can use one data patch and tile it around a curvy surface (like a sphere or a mesh). As such, we don't want to represent the normal data in the texture as coordinates with respect to the world or object or joint or even bone frame.

For sake of notation, let $\vec{\mathbf{b}}^t = \vec{\mathbf{e}}^t M$ be the not necessarily orthonormal frame associated with a "bone" of your object (say the lower arm), about to be drawn, and M the associated model view matrix. (In our case, the "bone" is just the ground).

We will let each vertex of this bone have its own "tangent frame" represented as $\vec{\mathbf{t}}^t = \vec{\mathbf{b}}^t T$. The data for T will be passed as three vec3 vertex attribute variables: aTangent, aBinormal, and aNormal. These will represent the three columns making up the upper left 3 by 3 submatrix of T. Since we will be dealing with the coordinates of vectors and not points, we will not need any translational data in T. Our convention is that the data in our bump mapping texture (after scaling and shifting to the correct data range), $\mathbf{n} = [n_r, n_g, n_b, 0]^t$, expresses the normal wrt to the $\vec{\mathbf{t}}^t$ frame. Thus the bone frame coordinates of the normal's coordinate vector are $T\mathbf{n}$ and its eye coordinates are $M^{-t}T\mathbf{n}$.

Since we will not get hold of the normal data until we get to the fragment shader, we will do the following: at the vertex shader we pass $M^{-t}T$ as a varying variable called vNTMat (for normal matrix times tangent

frame matrix) to the fragment shader. Then at the fragment shader, you will multiply \mathbf{n} , the normal data fetched, by this matrix.

In the fragment shader if have $\mathbf{v} := [x_e, y_e, z_e, 0]^t$ the eye coordinates of a vector that we want to dot with a normal, we simply compute

 $\mathtt{dot}(\mathtt{normalize}(\mathtt{vNTMat}*\mathbf{n}),\mathtt{normalize}(\mathbf{v}))$