GLUT Event Loop

- glutMainLoop();
- puts the program in an infinite event loop
- In each pass through the event loop, GLUT
 - looks at the events in the queue
 - for each event in the queue, GLUT executes the appropriate callback function if one is defined
 - if no callback is defined for the event, the event is ignored



Event Types

- Window: resize, expose, iconify
- Mouse: click one or more buttons
- Motion: move mouse
- Keyboard: press or release a key
- Idle: nonevent
 - Define what should be done if no other event is in queue



Callbacks

- Programming interface for event-driven input
- Define a callback function for each type of event the graphics system recognizes
- This user-supplied function is executed when the event occurs
- GLUT example: glutMouseFunc(mymouse)



GLUT callbacks

GLUT recognizes a subset of the events recognized by any particular window system (Windows, X, Macintosh)

- glutDisplayFunc
- glutMouseFunc
- glutReshapeFunc
- glutKeyboardFunc
- glutIdleFunc
- glutMotionFunc, glutPassiveMotionFunc



The Display Callback

- The display callback is executed whenever GLUT determines that the window should be refreshed, for example
 - When the window is first opened
 - When the window is reshaped
 - When a window is exposed
 - When the user program decides it wants to change the display
- In main()
 - glutDisplayFunc(mydisplay) identifies the function to be executed
 - Every GLUT program must have a display callback



Posting Redisplays

- Many events may invoke the display callback function
 - Can lead to multiple executions of the display callback on a single pass through the event loop
- We can avoid this problem by instead using glutPostRedisplay();
 - which sets a flag.
- GLUT checks to see if the flag is set at the end of the event loop
- If set then the display callback function is executed



Animating a Display

- When one redraws the display through the display callback, we usually start by clearing the window
 - o glClear()

then draw the altered display

- Problem: the drawing of information in the frame buffer is decoupled from the display of its contents
 - Graphics systems use dual ported memory
- Hence we can see partially drawn display



Double Buffering

- Instead of one color buffer, we use two
 - Front Buffer: one that is displayed but not written to
 - Back Buffer: one that is written to but not displayed
- Program then requests a double buffer in main.c
 - glutInitDisplayMode(GL_RGB | GL_DOUBLE)
 - At the end of the display callback buffers are swapped



Double Buffering



Using the idle Callback

- The idle callback is executed whenever there are no events in the event queue
 - glutIdleFunc(myidle)
 - Useful for animations

Using Globals

- The form of all GLUT callbacks is fixed
 - void mydisplay()
 - void mymouse(GLint button, GLint state, GLint x, GLint y)
- Must use globals to pass information to callbacks

```
float t; /*global */

void mydisplay()
{
  /* draw something that depends on t
}
```

The mouse Callback

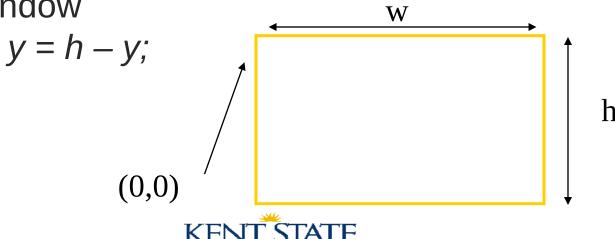
glutMouseFunc(mymouse)
void mymouse(GLint button, GLint
 state, GLint x, GLint y)

- Returns
 - which button (GLUT_LEFT_BUTTON,
 GLUT_MIDDLE_BUTTON,
 GLUT_RIGHT_BUTTON) caused event
 - state of that button (GLUT_UP, GLUT_DOWN)
 - Position in window



Positioning

The position in the screen window is usually measured in pixels with the origin at the top-left corner.Consequence of refresh done from top to bottom. OpenGL uses a world coordinate system with origin at the bottom left. Must invert *y* coordinate returned by callback by height of window



Obtaining the Window Size

- To invert the y position we need the window height
 - Height can change during program execution
 - Track with a global variable
 - New height returned to reshape callback that we will look at in detail soon
 - Can also use query functions
 - glGetIntv
 - glGetFloatv

to obtain any value that is part of the state

Terminating a Program

- In our original programs, there was no way to terminate them through OpenGL
- We can use the simple mouse callback

```
void mouse(int btn, int state, int x, int y)
{
   if(btn==GLUT_RIGHT_BUTTON && state==GLUT_DOWN)
      exit(0);
}
```



Using the Keyboard

```
glutKeyboardFunc(mykey)
void mykey(unsigned char key,
    int x, int y)
```

 Returns ASCII code of key depressed and mouse location

```
void mykey()
{
    if(key == 'Q' | key == 'q')
        exit(0);
}
```

Special and Modifier Keys

- GLUT defines the special keys in glut.h
 - Function key 1: GLUT_KEY_F1
 - Up arrow key: GLUT_KEY_UP
 - if(key == 'GLUT_KEY_F1'
- Can also check if one of the modifiers
 - GLUT_ACTIVE_SHIFT
 - GLUT_ACTIVE_CTRL
 - GLUT_ACTIVE_ALT

is depressed by

glutGetModifiers()

 Allows emulation of three-button mouse with one- or twobutton mice

The Reshape callback

glutReshapeFunc(myreshape) void myreshape(int w, int h)

- Returns width and height of new window (in pixels)
- A redisplay is posted automatically at end of execution of the callback
- GLUT has a default reshape callback but you probably want to define your own
- The reshape callback is a good place to put viewing functions because it is invoked when the window is first opened



Example Reshape

This reshape preserves shapes by making the viewport and world window have the same aspect ratio



Toolkits and Widgets

- Most window systems provide a toolkit or library of functions for building user interfaces that use special types of windows called widgets
- Widget sets include tools such as
 - Menus
 - Slidebars
 - Dials
 - Input boxes
- But toolkits tend to be platform dependent
- GLUT provides a few widgets including menus

Menus

- GLUT supports pop-up menus
 - A menu can have submenus
- Three steps
 - Define entries for the menu
 - Define action for each menu item
 - Action carried out if entry selected
 - Attach menu to a mouse button



Defining a Simple Menu

In main()

```
menu_id = glutCreateMenu(mymenu);
glutAddmenuEntry("clear Screen", 1);
gluAddMenuEntry("exit", 2);
glutAttachMenu(GLUT_RIGHT_BUTTON);
```

clear screen

exit

entries that appear when right button depressed

identifiers



Menu actions

Menu callback

```
void mymenu(int id)
      if(id == 1) glClear();
      if(id == 2) exit(0);
```

- Note each menu has an id that is returned when it is created
- Add submenus by

```
glutAddSubMenu(char *submenu_name, submenu
id)
```

entry in parent menu

Other functions in GLUT

- Dynamic Windows
 - Create and destroy during execution
- Subwindows
- Multiple Windows
- Changing callbacks during execution
- Timers
- Portable fonts
 - glutBitmapCharacter
 - glutStrokeCharacter



Example

- \\samba.cs.kent.edu\ogre\classEnv\Project\BasicDemo
- http://www.cs.kent.edu/~ruttan/GameEngines/lectures/upload/windows/BasicDemo.zip

