PG612 Mandatory Assignment 1: Model Viewer

In this assignment, you will learn how to use quaternions to perform arbitrary rotations, load models from file, and render using interleaved arrays.

Important information:

- All subtasks are possible to implement independently. Do not get stuck on a single subtask. It is better to get 90% right of all than 100% right on one.
- You have to write all of the code yourself. Base your solution on the lecture notes and books in the course.

Subtask 1: Create a "virtual trackball"-viewer.

- Base your solution on the skeleton code.
- Implement your code as part of the VirtualTrackball class.
- Implement zoom in your viewer so that pgup and pgdown zoom in and out on the loaded model.

Hints:

- See lecture 2 for details on the trackball viewer.
- Use the projection matrix to zoom by changing the field of view of the viewing volume.

Subtask 2: Load models using Assimp

- Implement loading of a model with positions and normals.
- Use an interleaved VBO.
- Load models from file using a filename given on the commandline: "GL32SDL.exe <modelname>".
- Find a simple bounding box of the model by looping over the vertices.
- Find translation and scaling coefficients for the model so that its bounding box fits within the unit sphere.

Hints:

- Interleaved VBOs will be covered in lecture 3.
- Use argv[1] as the filename, and set as commandline argument in the visual studio debug options.
- Use std::numeric_limits<float>::max() and std::numeric_limits<float>::max() (NOT min) as initial minimum and maximums when finding the bounding box.
- Use the model matrix to represent the translation and scaling

Requirements

- Code must extend the skeleton from itsl
- Code must compile and run out-of-the-box using
 - o Visual Studio 2010, SDL, GLM, Assimp, OpenGL 3.3+
- Short (5-25 lines, 80 columns) text (.txt) README-file
- Doxygen compliant source code comments (javadoc)
- No temporary files (Visual Studio, svn, etc.).

Grading

The following criteria are used for grading this assignment:

- 40% Doing the assignment. For example:
 - o Have you completed all subtasks?
 - o Have you written every line of code yourself?
- 30% Code quality. For example:
 - o Is your solution correct, simple, and elegant?
 - OpenGL efficiency,
 - o Use of deprecated OpenGL functionality,
 - o Useful comments,
 - o Compilation errors, warnings, etc.
- 20% Visual quality and natural feel. For example:
 - o Does your solution "feel" natural, does it look "right", etc.
- 10% Overall rating. For example:
 - o Anything I feel is not covered by the above points which deserves extra credit