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Intro to Web Audio and Sound Visualization

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Outlines

- AnalyzerNode
 - Waveform
 - Spectrum
- Microphone Input
- Canvas and 2D graphics
- Animation

AnalyzerNode

- AudioNode for frame-based sound analysis
 - Input
 - Sample file
 - Microphone input
 - Output
 - Waveform
 - FFT

References

- https://developer.mozilla.org/en-US/docs/Web/API/AnalyserNode
 (AnalyzerNode)
- https://developer.mozilla.org/en US/docs/Web/API/MediaStreamAudioSourceNode (Microphone input)

2D Graphics in HTML

- Canvas (<canvas>)
 - The code commands what/how to draw directly on pixels (bit-map)
 - Resolution dependent
 - No support for event handlers: not associated with DOM
 - Poor text rendering capabilities
 - You can save the resulting image as .png or .jpg
 - Well suited for graphic-intensive games

References

- https://www.w3schools.com/graphics/canvas_intro.asp
- https://developer.mozilla.org/en-US/docs/Web/API/Canvas_API/Tutorial

2D Graphics in HTML

- Scalable Vector Graphics (SVG)
 - XML file format designed to create vector graphic
 - Create an internal model of the final output in memory
 - Resolution independent
 - Support for event handlers: associated with DOM
 - Best suited for applications with large rendering areas (e.g. Google Maps)
 - Slow rendering if complex (anything that uses the DOM a lot will be slow)
 - Not suited for game application

References

- https://www.w3schools.com/graphics/svg_intro.asp
- https://stackoverflow.com/questions/5882716/html5-canvas-vs-svg-vs-div

Animation

Method 1

- Using window.requestAnimationFrame(callback func)
- 60 frame per sec or browser-independent
- Frame rate control
 - https://codepen.io/njmcode/pen/kmlpi

Method 2

- Using id = setInterval(callback function, rate)
- To reset the timer, clearInterval(id)
- Reference: https://www.w3schools.com/howto/howto js animate.asp

Comparison

- https://stackoverflow.com/questions/38709923/why-is-requestanimationframe-better-than-setinterval-or-settimeout

Examples

- See the Github folder
 - https://github.com/juhannam/ctp431-2018/tree/master/session2