# Keyboard, Mouse, Idle

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## Keyboard Callback Functions

- As we discussed earlier, the glutKeyboardFunc() function can be used to set the callback function which will be called whenever a keyboard event is generated.
- The signature of the glutKeyboardFunc() function is as follows:

#### where

- key is the character associated with the keyboard event,
- x is the x-coordinate of the mouse pointer, and
- y is the y-coordinate of the mouse pointer.

# Example

• The following is an example of a keyboard callback function:

```
void keyboard(unsigned char key, int mousex, int mousey)
{
   if(key == 'q')
       exit(0);
}
```

- The above function will terminate the program if a user press the 'q' key. Otherwise, it simply does nothing.
- For Esc, Backspace, and Delete keys, use values 27, 8, and 127, respectively.
- Note that special keys such as function keys (F1, F2, ...), arrow keys, page up, page down, etc are not part of the glutKeyboardFunc() function.

# Special Keyboard Callback Functions

- To handle special keys, the glutSpecialFunc() function is used to set the callback function.
- The signature of the glutSpecialFunc() function is as follows:

```
void glutSpecialFunc(void (*func)(int key, int x, int y));
```

#### where

- key is the special key associated with the keyboard event,
- x is the x-coordinate of the mouse pointer, and
- y is the y-coordinate of the mouse pointer.

## Special Key Identifiers

Use the following identifier to refer to a special key:

Identifier	Special Key	Identifier	Special Key
GLUT_KEY_F1	F1 function key	GLUT_KEY_LEFT	Left directional key
GLUT_KEY_F2	F2 function key	GLUT_KEY_UP	Up directional key
GLUT_KEY_F3	F3 function key	GLUT_KEY_RIGHT	Right directional key
GLUT_KEY_F4	F4 function key	GLUT_KEY_DOWN	Down directional key
GLUT_KEY_F5	F5 function key	GLUT_KEY_PAGE_UP	Page up directional key
GLUT_KEY_F6	F6 function key	GLUT_KEY_PAGE_DOWN	Page down directional key
GLUT_KEY_F7	F7 function key	GLUT_KEY_HOME	Home directional key
GLUT_KEY_F8	F8 function key	GLUT_KEY_END	End directional key
GLUT_KEY_F9	F9 function key	GLUT_KEY_INSERT	Insert directional key
GLUT_KEY_F10	F10 function key		
GLUT_KEY_F11	F11 function key		
GLUT_KEY_F12	F12 function key		

Esc, Backspace, and Delete keys are generated as ASCII character which is handled by the glutKeyboardFunc() function

### Mouse Callback Functions

- The process events generated by a mouse, use the glutMouseFunc() function.
- The signature of the glutMouseFunc() function is as follows:

- button can be either GLUT\_LEFT\_BUTTON, GLUT\_MIDDLE\_BUTTON, or GLUT\_RIGHT\_BUTTON
- For the scroll wheel:
  - scroll up, button will be 3
  - scroll down, button will be 4
- state can be either GLUT\_UP or GLUT\_DOWN
- x is the x-coordinate of the mouse pointer, and
- y is the y-coordinate of the mouse pointer.
- Note that when a user click a button, two events are generated, when the button is down and when the button is up.

## Mouse Motion Callback

- To capture the location of a mouse pointer while a button is down, use the glutMotionFunc() function
- The glutPassiveMotionFunc() function is used while no mouse buttons are pressed
- The signatures as as follows:

```
void glutMotionFunc(void (*func)(int x, int y));
void glutPassiveMotionFunc(void (*func)(int x, int y));
```

- x is the x-coordinate of the mouse pointer, and
- y is the y-coordinate of the mouse pointer.

## Idle Callback Function

- For background processing or animation, use the glutIdleFunc() function
- The callback function will be continuously called when there are no events.
- The signature of the glutIdleFunc() is as follows:

```
void glutIdleFunc(void (*func)(void));
```