

Computer Graphics Star Rotation

In my assignment I have chosen to do the Archimedean Spiral.

```
// put stars in the array
const int num = 100;
const float pi = 3.1415;
star stars[num];

// distance to the stars
GLfloat zoom = -25.0f;
// initial angle
GLfloat def_a, def_b = 0.5;
GLint iter = 0;
GLfloat max_distance = 5.0;

class star
{
public:
    GLfloat angle, a, b, x, y;
    glm::vec4 color;
};
```

First I have created a class called star to declare variable to be used in our logarithmic spiral formula.

```
// Set the object data (buffers, vertex attributes)
GLfloat starVertices[] = {
    // Positions          // Texture Coords
    0.0f, 0.5f, 0.0f, 0.0f, 1.0f,
    1.0f, -0.5f, 0.0f, 1.0f, 0.0f,
    1.0f, 0.5f, 0.0f, 1.0f, 1.0f,

    0.0f, 0.5f, 0.0f, 0.0f, 1.0f,
    0.0f, -0.5f, 0.0f, 0.0f, 0.0f,
    1.0f, -0.5f, 0.0f, 1.0f, 0.0f,
};
```

Set the star vertices for our star.bmp file

```
glm::vec4 random_colors[] = {
    glm::vec4(_x: 160.0 / 255, _y: 0, _z: 200.0 / 255, _w: 1.0f),
    glm::vec4(_x: 110.0 / 255, _y: 0, _z: 220.0 / 255, _w: 1.0f),
    glm::vec4(_x: 30.0 / 255, _y: 60.0 / 255, _z: 1.0f, _w: 1.0f),
    glm::vec4(_x: 0, _y: 160.0 / 255, _z: 1.0f, _w: 1.0f),
    glm::vec4(_x: 0, _y: 200.0 / 255, _z: 200.0 / 255, _w: 1.0f),
    glm::vec4(_x: 0, _y: 210.0 / 255, _z: 140.0 / 255, _w: 1.0f),
    glm::vec4(_x: 0, _y: 220.0 / 255, _z: 0, _w: 1.0f),
    glm::vec4(_x: 160.0 / 255, _y: 230.0 / 255, _z: 50.0 / 255, _w: 1.0f),
};
```

Get random colours from our stars. I couldn't figure how to use a randomizer function that would do it for me. I have seen examples codes which randomized r g b but I was unable to implement it somehow so I manually added some colours which isn't that efficient.

```
for (int j = 0; j < num; j++) {  
    stars[j].color = random_colors[j % 10];  
    stars[j].angle = pi / 10 * j;  
    stars[j].a = def_a * (1 + pi / 10) / (1 + pi / 10 * (j));  
    stars[j].b = def_b * (1 + pi / 10) / (1 + pi / 10 * (j));  
    stars[j].x = (def_a + def_b * stars[j].angle) * cos(stars[j].angle);  
    stars[j].y = (def_a + def_b * stars[j].angle) * sin(stars[j].angle);  
}
```

```
for (int i = 0; i < num; i++) {  
    glBindVertexArray(starVAO);  
    glBindTexture(GL_TEXTURE_2D, starTexture);  
    model = glm::mat4(1);  
    GLfloat distance = glm::sqrt( (cpp_x: stars[i].x * stars[i].x + stars[i].y * stars[i].y);  
  
    stars[i].x *= 1 + pi / 1000 / distance;  
    stars[i].y *= 1 + pi / 1000 / distance;  
  
    model = glm::translate(model, glm::vec3(stars[i].x, stars[i].y, 0.001));  
    if (distance >= max_distance) {  
        iter = (iter + 1) % num;  
        stars[i].a = def_a * (1 + pi / 10) / (1 + pi / 10 * (iter));  
        stars[i].b = def_b * (1 + pi / 10) / (1 + pi / 10 * (iter));  
        stars[i].angle = pi / 10 * iter;  
        stars[i].x = (stars[i].a + stars[i].b * stars[i].angle) * cos(stars[i].angle);  
        stars[i].y = (stars[i].a + stars[i].b * stars[i].angle) * sin(stars[i].angle);  
    }  
    stars[i].color.w = 1 - distance / max_distance;  
}
```

I have set the maximum number of stars to a 100 so the program will run until it computes 100 stars.

When I ran the code, it was working fine but since I am using a MacBook Air. The GPU isn't good enough to perform the task faster. Also, OpenGL doesn't really run well on MAC OS.

I have referenced from this link to create the Archimedean Spiral Equation it was easy to understand and simple enough to reference it from
<https://www.sciencefacts.net/archimedean-spiral.html>

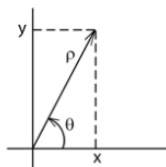
Archimedean Spiral Equations

An Archimedean spiral has the following equations.

1. Polar coordinate system

$$\rho = a + b\theta$$

Here,



ρ is the radial distance from the starting point of the spiral

θ is the angle of rotation of the spiral

a is the starting point of the spiral

$2\pi b$ is the distance between each arm

2. Parametric form

$$x = (a + b\theta)\cos(\theta)$$

$$y = (a + b\theta)\sin(\theta)$$