A first experience with glad and glfw

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Abstract

The glfw looks nice, and it likes the glad, so here we go.

Here's some notes on the process of installing and using glad and glfw.

1 Installing glad

From github.com/ddav1dde/glad the usual clone enters into python land. The installation is a python program that looks into and characterizes the GL environment into its even more portable (?) way.

As reviewed in ./INSTALL-GLAD.txt, the process is friendly to a bit of experiementation as a regular, non-root, user. And then it has need of some archiving.

2 Installing glfw

Downloading the ZIP from www.glfw.org gives you something usable. The source repo is in the midst of things undesireable to someone else's workstation. This configure,

make, make install process is simple and straightforward.

The glfw installation even produces a /usr/lib/pkgconfig file. However, the dependencies don't sort in pkg-config --libs space. (See Makefile, extrapolate as necessary).

3 Hello Window

The main.cc program is trivial. It opens a window.

The Makefile includes libraries found via github.com/derhass/HelloCube/blob/master/Makefile

4 Conclusion

Fun, but a bit time consuming.

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