

## WebGL

### 2D Graphics in WebGL

The first drawings - two triangles, part 2

#### Task 4

**We define makeShader function:**

We will use makeShader function in initShader function.

```
function makeShader(src, type){
    //compile the vertex shader
    var shader = gl.createShader(type);
    gl.shaderSource(shader, src);
    gl.compileShader(shader);
    if (!gl.getShaderParameter(shader, gl.COMPILE_STATUS)) {
        alert("Error compiling shader: " + gl.getShaderInfoLog(shader));
        return null;
    }
    return shader;
}
```

The **makeShader()** function use the WebGL context, the source code, and the shader type, then creates and compiles the shader as follows:

- A new shader is created by calling `gl.createShader()`.
- The shader's source code is sent to the shader by calling `gl.shaderSource()`.
- Once the shader has the source code, it's compiled using `gl.compileShader()`.
- To check to be sure the shader successfully compiled, the shader parameter `gl.COMPILE_STATUS` is checked. To get its value, we call `gl.getShaderParameter()`, specifying the shader and the name of the parameter we want to check (`gl.COMPILE_STATUS`). If that's false, we know the shader failed to compile, so show an alert with log information obtained from the compiler using `gl.getShaderInfoLog()`, then delete the shader and return null to indicate a failure to load the shader.
- If the shader was loaded and successfully compiled, the compiled shader is returned to the caller.

#### Task 5

Now we initialize shaders, create program with those shaders, and use program:

We will do it by `initShader()` function:

```
function initShader() {
    //get shader source
    const fs_source = document.getElementById('shader-fs').innerHTML;
    const vs_source = document.getElementById('shader-vs').innerHTML;

    //compile shaders
    vertexShader = makeShader(vs_source, gl.VERTEX_SHADER);
    fragmentShader = makeShader(fs_source, gl.FRAGMENT_SHADER);

    //create program
    glProgram = gl.createProgram();
    //attach and link shaders to the program
    gl.attachShader(glProgram, vertexShader);
    gl.attachShader(glProgram, fragmentShader);
    gl.linkProgram(glProgram);
    if (!gl.getProgramParameter(glProgram, gl.LINK_STATUS)) {
        alert("Unable to initialize the shader program.");
    }

    //use program
```

```
        gl.useProgram(glProgram);  
    }  
}
```

## Task 6

### Creating the triangle on the plane

Before we can render our triangle, we need to create the buffer that contains its vertex positions and put the vertex positions in it.

We'll do that using a function we call `setupBuffers()`.

In future this routine will be augmented to create more and more complex 3D objects.

```
function setupBuffers() {  
    var triangleVertices = [  
        //left triangle  
        -0.5, 0.5, 0.0,  
        0.0, 0.0, 0.0,  
        -0.5, -0.5, 0.0,  
        //right triangle  
        0.5, 0.5, 0.0,  
        0.0, 0.0, 0.0,  
        0.5, -0.5, 0.0  
    ];  
    trianglesVerticeBuffer = gl.createBuffer();  
    gl.bindBuffer(gl.ARRAY_BUFFER, trianglesVerticeBuffer);  
    gl.bufferData(gl.ARRAY_BUFFER, new Float32Array(triangleVertices), gl.STATIC_DRAW);  
}
```

This routine is pretty simple given the basic nature of the scene in this example.

- We create a JavaScript array *triangleVertices* containing the position for each vertex of two triangles.
- By the `context.createBuffer()` method of the WebGL API we create and initialize *trianglesVerticeBuffer* a `WebGLBuffer` storing data such as vertices or colors.
- Then we bound to the context by calling the `bindBuffer()` method.
- The `ArrayBuffer` object is used to represent a generic, fixed-length raw binary data buffer.
  - The `ArrayBuffer()` constructor creates a new `ArrayBuffer` of the given length in bytes
  - It is an array of bytes. You cannot directly manipulate the contents of an `ArrayBuffer`; instead, you create one of the typed array objects or a `DataView` object which represents the buffer in a specific format, and use that to read and write the contents of the buffer.
- The *bufferData* the `WebGLRenderingContext.bufferData()` method of the WebGL API initializes and creates the buffer object's data store.

## Task 7

### Rendering the scene

Once the shaders are established, the locations are looked up, and the square plane's vertex positions put in a buffer, we can actually render the scene.

Since we're not animating anything in this example, our `drawScene()` function is very simple. It uses a few utility routines we'll cover shortly.

```
function drawScene() {  
    vertexPositionAttribute = gl.getAttribLocation(glProgram, "aVertexPosition");  
    gl.enableVertexAttribArray(vertexPositionAttribute);  
    gl.bindBuffer(gl.ARRAY_BUFFER, trianglesVerticeBuffer);  
    gl.vertexAttribPointer(vertexPositionAttribute, 3, gl.FLOAT, false, 0, 0);  
    gl.drawArrays(gl.TRIANGLES, 0, 6);  
}
```

### Task 8

#### Rendering the scene with colors.

We have to change setupBuffers() function.

We have to add different color to each vertex.

```
function setupBuffers(){
    var triangleVertices = [
        //left triangle
        -0.5, 0.5, 0.0,
        0.0, 0.0, 0.0,
        -0.5, -0.5, 0.0,
        //right triangle
        0.5, 0.5, 0.0,
        0.0, 0.0, 0.0,
        0.5, -0.5, 0.0
    ];
    trianglesVerticeBuffer = gl.createBuffer();
    gl.bindBuffer(gl.ARRAY_BUFFER, trianglesVerticeBuffer);
    gl.bufferData(gl.ARRAY_BUFFER, new Float32Array(triangleVertices), gl.STATIC_DRAW);

    var triangleVerticeColors = [
        //red left triangle
        1.0, 0.0, 0.0,
        1.0, 1.0, 1.0,
        0.0, 1.0, 0.0,
        //blue right triangle
        0.0, 1.0, 0.0,
        1.0, 1.0, 1.0,
        0.0, 0.0, 1.0
    ];
    trianglesColorBuffer = gl.createBuffer();
    gl.bindBuffer(gl.ARRAY_BUFFER, trianglesColorBuffer);
    gl.bufferData(gl.ARRAY_BUFFER, new Float32Array(triangleVerticeColors), gl.STATIC_DRAW);
}
```

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    gl.bindBuffer(gl.ARRAY_BUFFER, trianglesVerticeBuffer);
    gl.vertexAttribPointer(vertexPositionAttribute, 3, gl.FLOAT, false, 0, 0);

    vertexColorAttribute = gl.getAttribLocation(glProgram, "aVertexColor");
    gl.enableVertexAttribArray(vertexColorAttribute);
    gl.bindBuffer(gl.ARRAY_BUFFER, trianglesColorBuffer);
    gl.vertexAttribPointer(vertexColorAttribute, 3, gl.FLOAT, false, 0, 0);

    gl.drawArrays(gl.TRIANGLES, 0, 6);
    //gl.drawArrays(gl.LINES, 0, 6);
    //gl.drawArrays(gl.POINTS, 0, 6);
}
```

### Task 9

#### Rendering the scene with movements.

We have to change the initWebGL() function:

```
function initWebGL(){
    canvas = document.getElementById("my-canvas");
    try{
        gl = canvas.getContext("webgl");
    }catch(e){
    }
    if(gl){
        initShaders();
        setupBuffers();
        (function animLoop(){
            setupWebGL();
            setupDynamicBuffers();
            drawScene();
            requestAnimationFrame(animLoop, canvas);
        })();
    }else{
        alert( "Error: Your browser does not appear to" +
            "support WebGL.");
    }
}
```

We have to replace the setupBuffers() function by setupDynamicBuffers() function:

```
function setupDynamicBuffers(){
    //limit translation amount from -0.5 to 0.5
    var x_translation = Math.sin(angle)/2.0;

    var triangleVertices = [
        //left triangle
        -0.5 + x_translation, 0.5, 0.0,
        0.0 + x_translation, 0.0, 0.0,
        -0.5 + x_translation, -0.5, 0.0,

        //right triangle
        0.5 + x_translation, 0.5, 0.0,
        0.0 + x_translation, 0.0, 0.0,
        0.5 + x_translation, -0.5, 0.0,
    ];
    angle += 0.01;

    trianglesVerticeBuffer = gl.createBuffer();
    gl.bindBuffer(gl.ARRAY_BUFFER, trianglesVerticeBuffer);
    gl.bufferData(gl.ARRAY_BUFFER, new Float32Array(triangleVertices), gl.DYNAMIC_DRAW);
}
```