2D Graphics and Sprites

GAM200



- Lighting can be one of the main mechanics of your real time graphical project
 - Torch light
 - Shadow monsters
 - Dungeon with limited vision
 - & much more

- Basic lighting scene in 2D
- Affected by light's color components and object's color components (textures, colors, materials)
- Simplified
 - resultColor = objectColor * lightColor

- A light can be a game object in your scene with special components
- LightComponent:
 - Color
 - Diffuse factor
 - Specular factor
 - Ambient factor
 - Attenuation
 - ...

- Our lighting effects will be applied in the fragment/pixel shader
- We can write different fragment/pixel shaders to apply on different groups of objects

As an example we will apply our basic *Phong* light effect

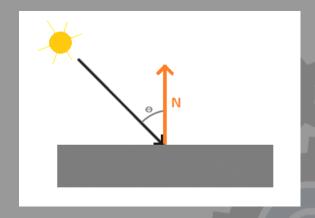
```
//Phong light is adding all the 3 lighting effects together (ambient + diffuse + specular)
resultLight.r = ambientLight.r + diffuseLight.r + specularLight.r;
resultLight.g = ambientLight.g + diffuseLight.g + specularLight.g;
resultLight.b = ambientLight.b + diffuseLight.b + specularLight.b;
resultLight.a = 1.0f;

//"texture(ourTexture1, textureCoordinates) is the object color
color = texture(Texture1, textureCoordinates) * resultLight;
```

- Ambient Light
 - Is a scalar (percentage) of how much you want to apply of the original light's color

```
//AMBIENT
//ambientLight adjusted with ambient factor
vec4 ambientLight;
ambientLight += ambientLightFactor*lightColor;
```

- Diffuse Light
 - Diffuse light computation involves the surface normal of where the light ray hits and the light direction gotten between the light position and the fragment lit
 - The intensity of the diffuse light is the dot product between the 2 vectors



Diffuse Light

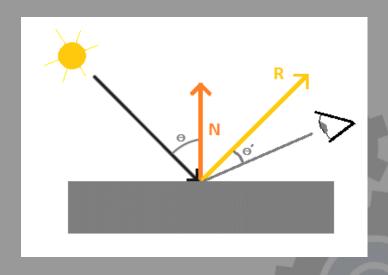
```
//DIFFUSE
//diffuse light adjusted by computation
vec3 lightDirection;
float lightDistanceToFragment;
float diffuseFactor;
vec4 diffuseLight;
vec3 tempD;

tempD = lightPosition - fragPosition; //lightPosition is a uniform variable read from c++
lightDistanceToFragment = length(tempD);
lightDirection = normalize(tempD);

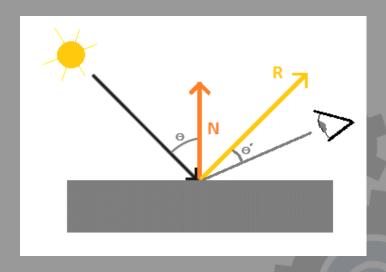
diffuseFactor = max(dot(normal, lightDirection), 0.0f);
diffuseLight += diffuseFactor * lightColor;
```

- normal = vec3(0.0f,0.0f,1.0f) hardcoded in 2D
- lightPosition has a greater z value from its 2D layer

- Specular Light
 - Specular light is similar to diffuse light, with the difference of the eye (camera) position
 - In 2D this can be our viewport's camera position



- Specular Light
 - Reflection vector needs to be calculated
 - Specular value needs to be calculated

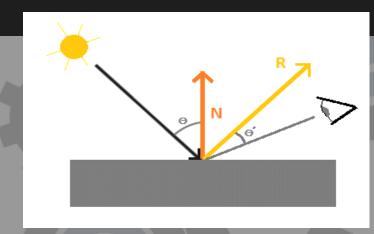


Specular Light

```
//SPECULAR
//this is the real 3D one - it works in 2D as well but the specular light effect will look slightly distant from the actual light object
vec3 viewDirection = normalize(currentCameraPosition - fragPosition);
//viewDirection = vec3(0.0f,0.0f,1.0f);//faking the view direction so that we do not get angled views - only for 2D
vec3 reflectedVector;
vec4 specularLight;
//the reflect function expects the first vector to point from the light source towards the fragment's position
reflectedVector = reflect(-lightDirection, normal);
float specularValue = pow(max(dot(viewDirection, reflectedVector), 0.0), 32); //the 32 value is the shininess value
```

specularStrength is a property of the light

specularLight += specularStrength * specularValue * lightColor;



- More on Lights
 - Code can be adjusted to support a MAX amount of light objects
 - Lights with diffuse and specular props can have an attenuation factor
 - » The light effect will diminish with the distance from the light source



Basic Demo



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- A normal map is a texture with rgb values expressed as xyz
- Think of each pixel as a normal vector
- A normal map texture is a mask layer of the original texture

- When a light object is applied, the intensity of the colors are determined by replacing the normal with normal_fromNormalMap values
- Each normal that used to be (0.0f,0.0f,1.0f), in our previous fragment shader code, is now replaced with an (x,y,z) value read from the normal map texture

- More than one method to apply normal map
- The one that we found easy to grasp is:
 - Bind 2 textures per fragment shader
 - In C++ code
 - » glActiveTexture(GL_TEXTURE0);
 - » glActiveTexture(GL_TEXTURE1);
 - In the fragment/pixel shader code
 - » uniform sampler2D Texture1;
 - » uniform sampler2D Texture2;

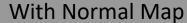
 Sample shader code, reading a normal, per fragment, from the .PNG normal map texture (check Nvidia reference)

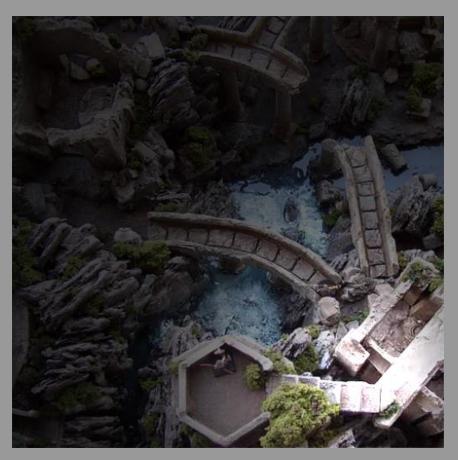
```
//PNG-Normal Map
//values are in range [0...1]
normal_fromNormalMap.x = texture(Texture2, textureCoordinates).r;
normal_fromNormalMap.y = texture(Texture2, textureCoordinates).g;
normal_fromNormalMap.z = texture(Texture2, textureCoordinates).b;

//convert normals to the range [-1...1]
normal_fromNormalMap.x = (normal_fromNormalMap.x*2.0f)-1.0f;
normal_fromNormalMap.y = (normal_fromNormalMap.y*2.0f)-1.0f;
normal_fromNormalMap.z = (normal_fromNormalMap.z*2.0f)-1.0f;
normal_fromNormalMap.z = (normal_fromNormalMap.z*2.0f)-1.0f;
normalize(normal_fromNormalMap);
```

- Loading a normal map in .dds format
 - Normal maps are compressed in different ways to minimize visual artifacts

- Loading a normal map in .dds format
 - Our method:
 - Convert a "texture.png" file to "texture_nm.png" file using a tool
 - e.g. online tool at "http://www.smart-page.net/smartnormal/"
 - Convert a "texture_nm.png" file to "texture_nm.dds" file using a tool
 - e.g. using Gimp2.8, export the normal map as "DXT5nm"
 - In the fragment shader compute the z value out of "texture(Texture2, textureCoordinates).w" and "texture(Texture2, textureCoordinates).y", using Pythagoras theorem!



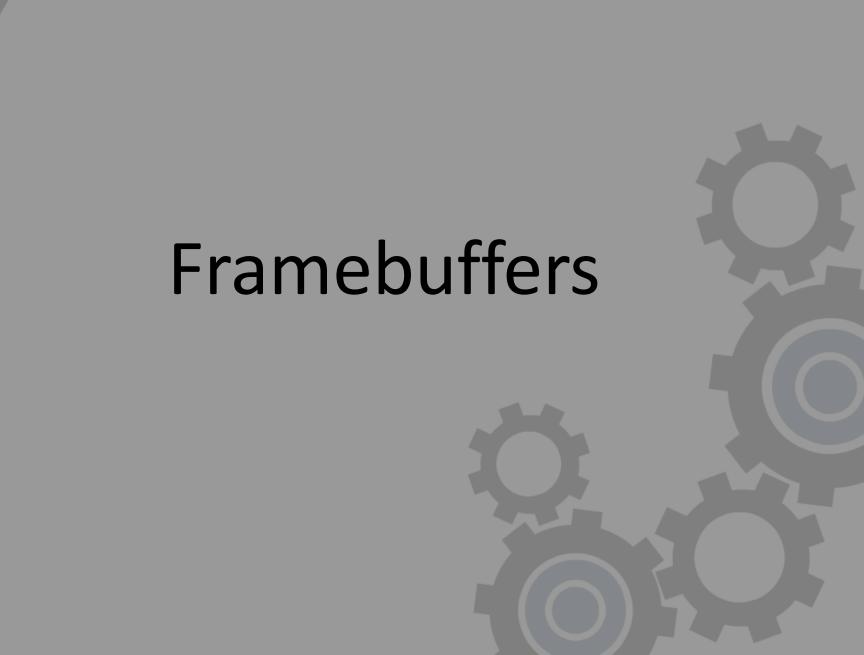




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References

- learnopengl.com
- https://www.nvidia.com/object/real-timenormal-map-dxt-compression.html



- By default, when you render your scene, you will be using the default frame buffer.
- A frame buffer is the buffer and sub-buffers holding all the rendering data with all their different states.
- Calling "glDrawElements" or "glDrawArrays" will draw to the current bound framebuffer.

 Default framebuffer is setup when setting up OpenGL with the Window's application.

• In example:

```
//drawing surface format
PIXELFORMATDESCRIPTOR pdesc;
memset(&pdesc, 0, sizeof(PIXELFORMATDESCRIPTOR));

pdesc.nSize = sizeof(PIXELFORMATDESCRIPTOR);
pdesc.nVersion = 1;
pdesc.dwFlags = PFD_DRAW_TO_WINDOW | PFD_SUPPORT_OPENGL | PFD_GENERIC_ACCELERATED | PFD_DOUBLEBUFFER;
pdesc.iPixelType = PFD_TYPE_RGBA;
pdesc.cColorBits = (BYTE)devMode.dmBitsPerPel;//24; //24 bit color for front and back buffer
pdesc.cDepthBits = 24;//16; //16 bit depth buffer
pdesc.cStencilBits = 8; //8 bit stencil buffer
```

- Using Additional Framebuffers.
 - Create your Framebuffer class
 - Wraps a framebuffer data
 - Framebuffer data
 - Rendering type: i.e. framebuffer used as a texture
 - Applied post processing shader's effect

- Basic usage of additional framebuffer as a texture
 - Steps in a graphics loop:
 - glBindFramebuffer(GL_FRAMEBUFFER, m_FBO);
 - //Render your game scene (as you did before)
 - glBindFramebuffer(GL_FRAMEBUFFER, 0);//back to default
 - glClearColor(0.5f, 0.5f, 0.5f, 1.0f);//example
 - glClear(GL_COLOR_BUFFER_BIT);
 - //Draw 1 quad and bind the framebuffer texture to it
 - //Swap your buffer. Must be the last step.



Sample Demo



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Questions?

