

Animate++

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A vector graphics animation
library written in *modern*
C++.

Why vector graphics?

Small, Scale-invariant



How to animate?

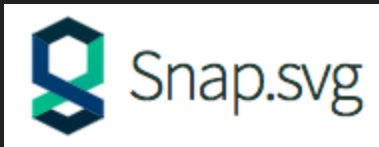
```
<?xml version="1.0"?>
<svg version="1.1" xmlns="http://www.w3.org/2000/svg">
  <rect x="20" y="20" rx="3" ry="3"
        width="100" height="100"
        fill="red" stroke="black" stroke-width="5"
        id="rect_8">
    <animateTransform
      attributeName="transform"
      type="rotate"
      dur="10s"
      from="0 100 100"
      repeatCount="indefinite"
      to="360 100 100" />
  </rect>
</svg>
```

SVG + JS, SVG + CSS, **SVG + SMIL** (self-contained!)

How people create SVG

Javascript is the first choice

- It is born for front-end
- easy to hand on



Paper.js



But Why we stick with C++ ?

Advantage of C++

Too much...

For this specific task:

1. Restrictions on rampant SVG styles.
2. Utilizing OOP features for better design purpose.
3. For those who love C++ and SVG.

Existing projects in C++ ?

No.

There has not been any library in C++ focusing on general purpose SVG manipulation and animation

SVG++: SVG parser mainly for import and export.

Goal

Provide intuitive abstractions for reading,
modifying, composing, and
Animating SVG files!

Library structure

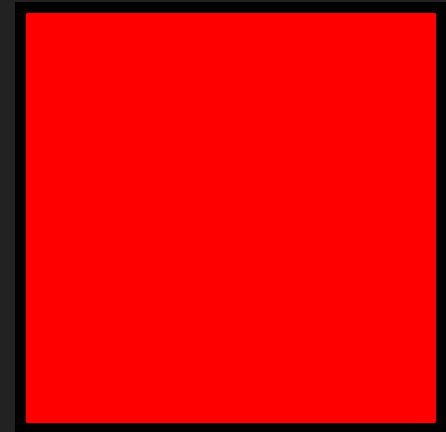
- `<animate.hpp>`
 - `<anipp/parser.hpp>`
 - `<anipp/shapes.hpp>`
 - `<anipp/utils.hpp>`

(Depends on pugixml 1.9 to parse raw XML files)

Basic Shapes - Rectangle

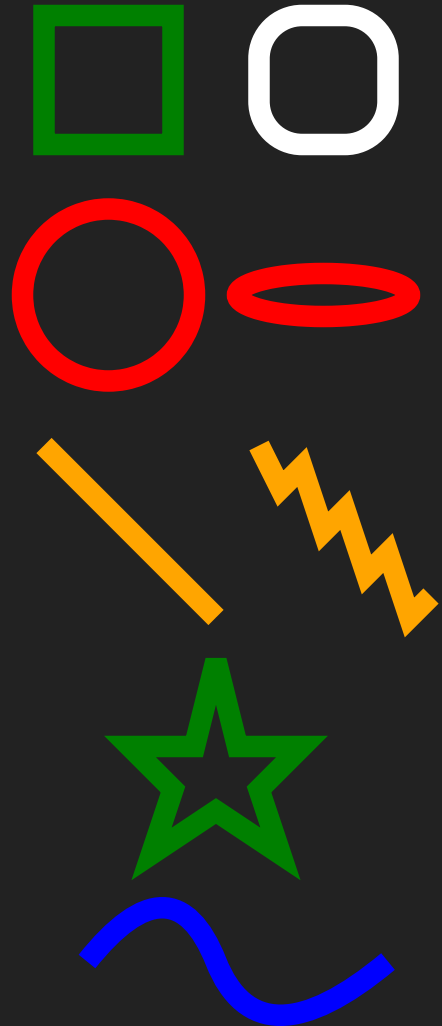
- Standard SVG API:
 - (x, y, width, height, rx, ry)
 - rx, ry for rounded corners
- Free attribute specification
 - nested list initialization
 - std::map

```
Rect r(20, 20, 100, 100, 3, 3);  
r.attr({  
    {"fill", "red"},  
    {"stroke", "black"},  
    {"stroke-width", "5"}  
});
```



Other Basic Shapes

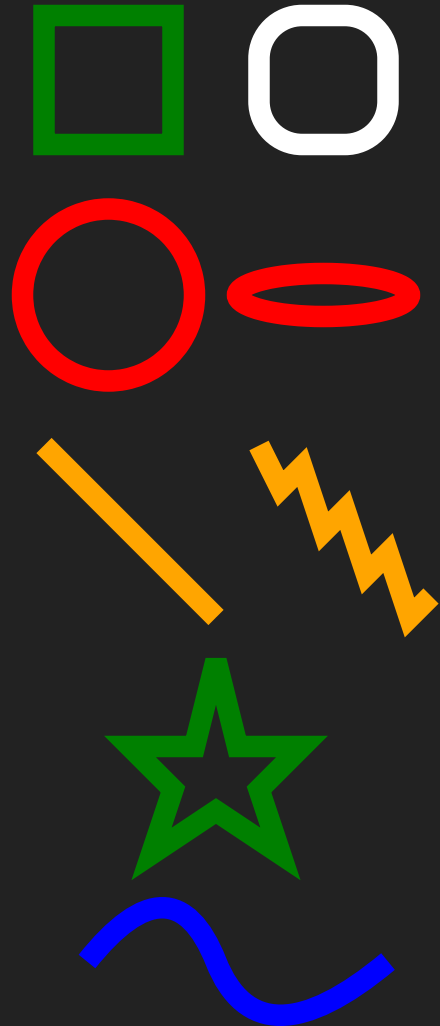
- API similar to Rectangle
- Other shapes supported:
 - Polygon: (x, y)+
 - Polyline: (x, y)+
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What's this?

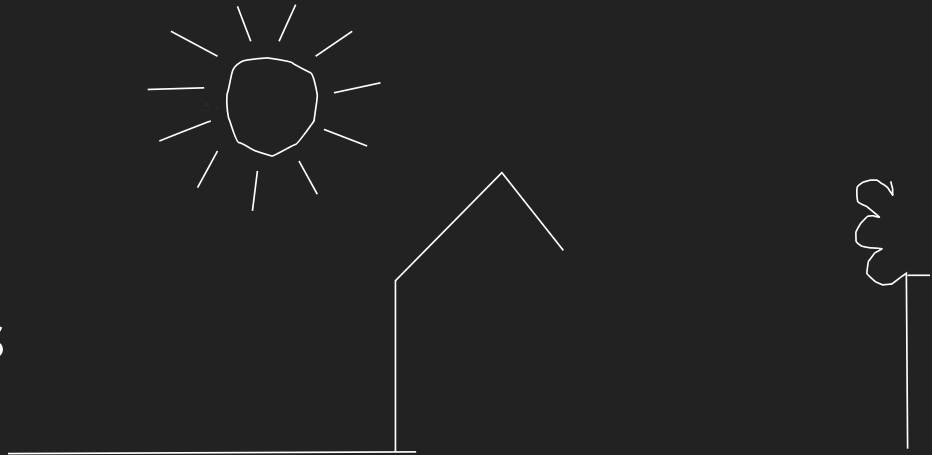


Basic Shapes - Paths

"Give me a good library and with Bézier curves I will draw the whole world"

-- vector graphics designers

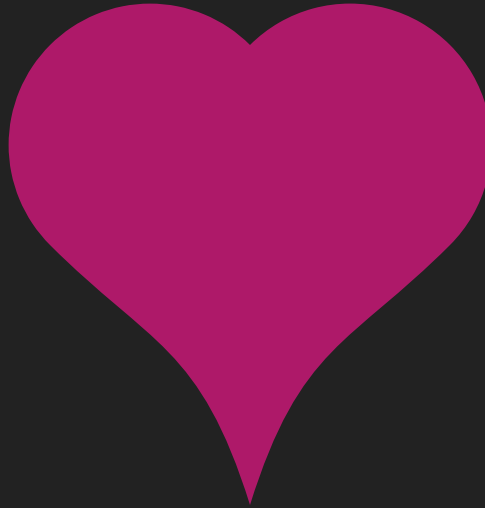
- Full support to parse and compose:
 - Lines
 - Quadratic and Cubic Bézier curves
 - Elliptical curves
 - closePath



Path Commands

```
Path& moveTo(double x, double y, bool relative=false);
Path& lineTo(double x, double y, bool relative=false);
Path& quadraticCurveTo(double cpx, double cpy, double x,
    double y, bool relative=false);
Path& cubicCurveTo(double cpx, double cpy, double cp2x,
    double cp2y, double x, double y, bool relative=false);
Path& arcTo(double rx, double ry, double x_axis_rotation,
    double large_arc_flag, double sweep_flag,
    double x, double y, bool relative=false);
Path& closePath();
```

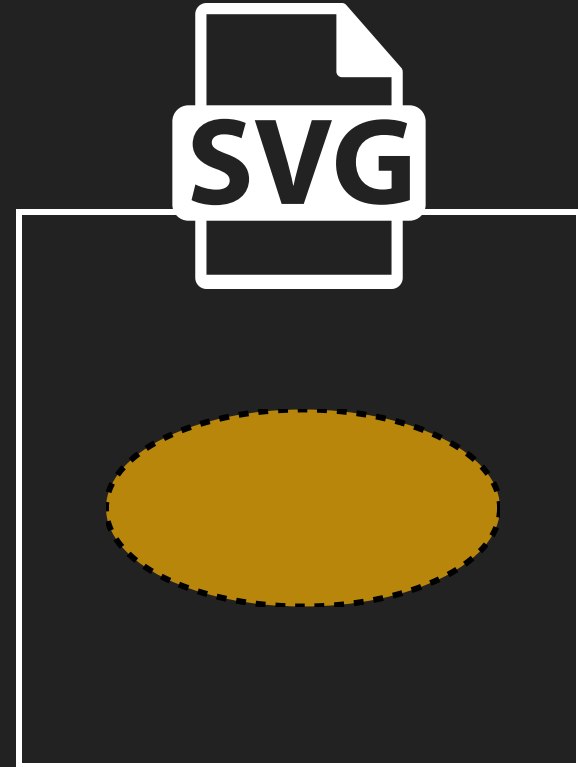
How to draw a heart



```
Path p;  
p.moveTo(121, 251)  
  .cubicCurveTo(-25, -80, -50,-80, -100, -130, true)  
  .arcTo(70, 70, -45, 0, 1, 100, -100, true)  
  .arcTo(70, 70, 45, 0, 1, 100, 100, true)  
  .cubicCurveTo(-50, 50, -75, 50, -100, 130, true);  
p.animate.blink(2);  
p.attr("fill", "DeepPink");
```

File I/O - Output

```
Ellipse e(100, 50, 100, 50);  
e.attr({  
    {"fill", "blue"},  
    {"stroke", "black"},  
    {"stroke-width", "5"},  
    {"stroke-dasharray", "5, 10"}  
});  
e.save("sample");
```



File I/O - Input

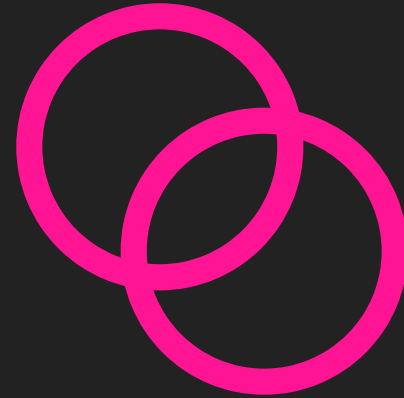


One liner!

```
ShapePtr tiger = load("tiger.svg");
```

Grouping

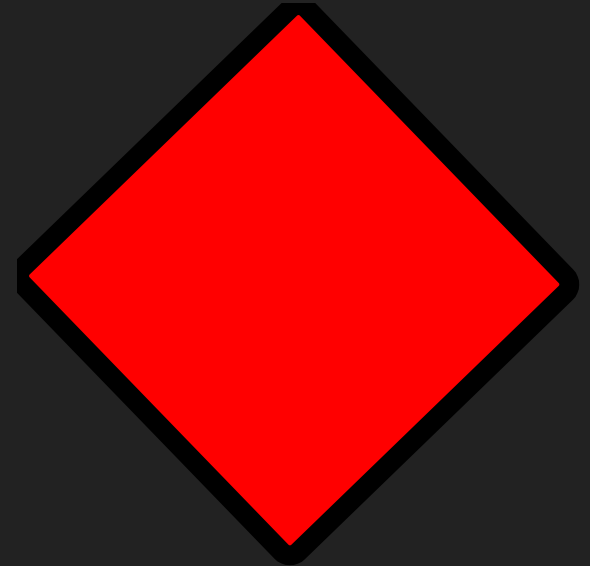
```
Circle c1(40, 40, 25);  
Circle c2(60, 60, 25);  
Group g(c1, c2);  
g.attr({  
    {"fill", "none"},  
    {"stroke", "DeepPink"},  
    {"stroke-width", "5"},  
});
```



- Large SVGs contain multiple shapes and nested group structure
- Intuitive syntax to build groups
- memory management: ShapePtr

The Animator

```
Rect r(20, 20, 100, 100, 3, 3);  
r.attr({  
  {"fill", "red"},  
  {"stroke", "black"},  
  {"stroke-width", "5"}  
});  
Point center(70, 70);  
r.animate.rotate(center, 0, center, 360)  
  .duration("10s")  
  .loop(true);
```



The animator object: obj.**animate**

Similar to D3.js, **method chaining** of basic functions

Animation

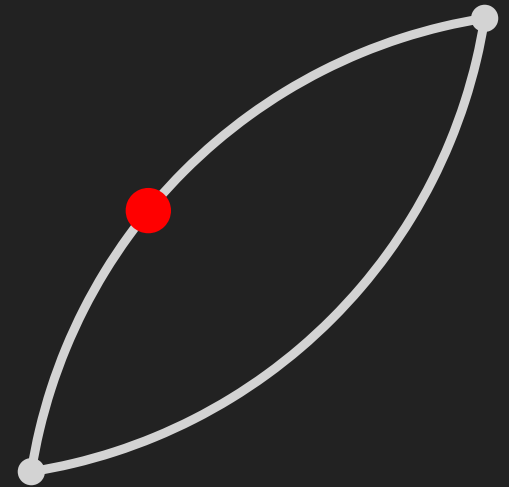
Animation class

Basic Animation

Complex movement

Composition of Animation

Possible: user defined animation



Library design: OOP

- Inheritance: shape classes
- export_SVG: example of OOP

```
xml_node Group::export_SVG(xml_document& doc) {  
    auto group = doc.append_child("g");  
    for(auto& shp : this->shapes) {  
        auto node = shp->export_SVG(doc);  
        group.append_move(node);  
    }  
    this->export_attributes(group);  
    return this->add_animations(doc, group);  
}
```

Testing

Visual test cases: I/O

Visual test cases: composition of SVGs

Modern C++ features

Fold expression!

```
template<typename... Args>
Group(Args&&... args)
{
    (this->shapes.push_back(args.clone()), ...);
}
```

- At some point in the project...
 - <optional>
 - std::any_of, std::none_of

The Wishlist

- Concept
- literal for units: *em*, *in*, *%*, *mm*
- More SVG features
 - `<LinearGradient>`
 - `<pattern>`
 - `<use>` and `<set>`
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Demo
(you have *already* seen it)



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