COMP 4021 Internet Computing

Dynamic SVG

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Approaches to Dynamic SVG

- SVG can be dynamically changed while it is being displayed
- There are two different approaches:
 - 1) Use SVG commands to make changes:
 - There are SVG commands to make changes (transformations)
 - There are SVG commands to animate changes
 - Works in Chrome, Safari, etc, and also IE
 - Older versions of IE and Firefox may not support SVG animation
 - 2) Use JavaScript to make change to DOM (SVG is just part of the DOM)
 - Should work in all browsers
 - To be discussed in later presentation

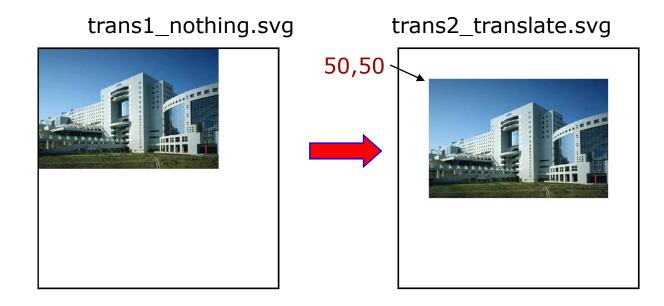
Transformations (without JavaScript)

- All SVG graphic elements have a "transform" attribute to make changes to the graphic elements
- The transformation commands available are
 - translate
 - rotate
 - scale
 - matrix can be used to do all of the above operations, individually or all at the same time

Translate

□ translate(<tx> [<ty>]) will move the element <tx> units along the x-axis and <ty> units along the y-axis.

```
<image xlink:href="ust.jpg" transform="translate(50,50)"
x="0" y="0" width="300" height="200"/>
```



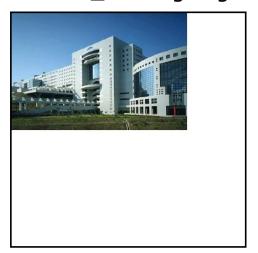
Scale

- scale(<sx> [<sy>]) will scale the element by multiplying <sx> and <sy> to the x and y coordinates
 - If <sy> is not given, it is assumed to be the same as <sx>
 - <sx> or <xy> is 0 it means the corresponding dimension has no change in scale
 - Scaling is relative to the origin (0,0)

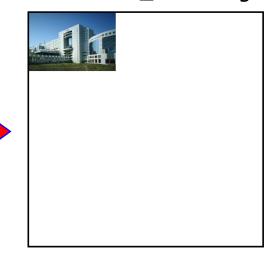
Scale

Shrink the image to one half of its original size

Demo - trans1_nothing.svg

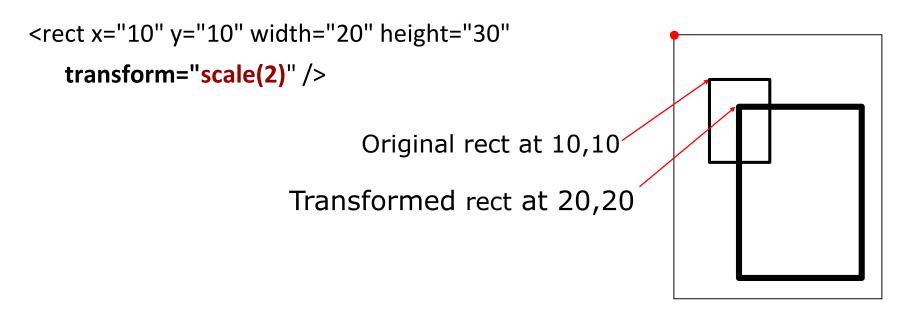


Demo - trans3_scale.svg



Scale (Cont.)

Scaling is relative to the origin (0,0)



■ To scale using a different center point, translate the element so that the center point becomes (0,0), perform scale, then translate the element back to its original location

Scale: Think about This

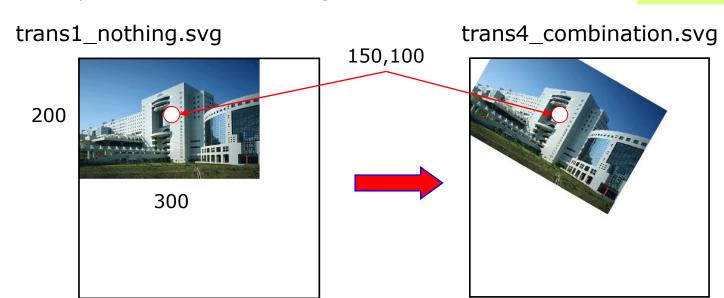
- Scaling an object around the center:
 - Translate center to 0,0
 - Scale
 - Translate back to original center (hard-code center in translate command)
- With JavaScript:
 - Save original center in variables
 - Scale
 - Translate new center to original center

Rotate

□ rotate(<angle>, centre x, centre y) rotates the element <angle> degrees around the point (centre x, centre y)

<image xlink:href="ust.jpg" transform="rotate(30,150,100)" x="0" y="0" width="300" height="200"/>

Rotate around the center of the photo



Rotate (Cont.)

□ If rotation center is not given, (0,0) is assumed

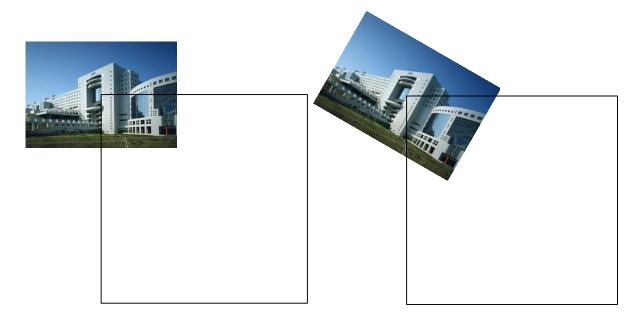


Rotate (Cont.)

■ The following code has the same effect:

```
<image xlink:href="ust.jpg" transform="
    translate(150 100) rotate(30) translate(-150 -100) "
    x="0" y="0" width="300" height="200"/>
```

Operations are performed from right to left



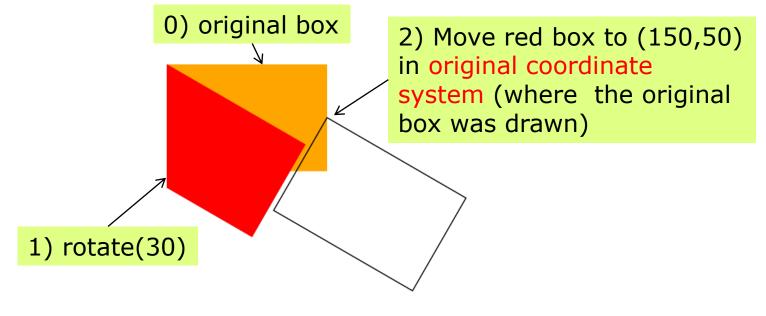


Multiple Operations in Transform (1)

Rotate a picture then translate it

```
<rect x="0" y="0" width="150" height="100" transform="translate(150,50) rotate(30)" />
```

Transform operations are performed from right to left,
 i.e., first perform rotate(30) then translate(150,50)



Multiple Operations in Transform (2)

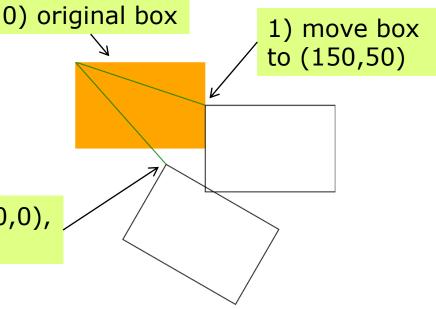
All transform operations perform in the original coordinate system; an operation does not change the coordinate system of subsequent operations

In previous example, coordinate system of translate(150,50) is not

affected by rotate(30)

<rect x="0" y="0"
width="150" height="100"
transform=" rotate(30)
translate(150,50)" />

2) rotate(30) around (0,0), not around (150,50)



Codes for the Previous Examples

```
<svg width="300" height="400">
<rect x="0" y="0" width="150"
height="100" style="fill:orange"/>
<rect x="0" y="0" width="150"
height="100" style="fill:red"
transform="rotate(30)"/>
<rect x="0" y="0" width="150"
height="100"
style="fill:none;stroke:black"
transform="translate(150,50)
rotate(30)"/>
</svg>
```

Reordering the operations gives different results!

```
<svg width="300" height="400">
<rect x="0" y="0" width="150" height="100"
style="fill:orange"/>
<rect x="0" y="0" width="150"
height="100" style="fill:none;stroke:black"
transform="translate(150,50)"/>
<rect x="0" y="0" width="150" height="100"
style="fill:none;stroke:black"
transform="rotate(30) translate(150,50)"/>
x1=0 y1=0 x2=150 y2=50
style="stroke:green"/>
x1=0 y1=0 x2=150 y2=50
style="stroke:green"
transform="rotate(30)">
</svg>
```

Animation in SVG

Animation (Without JavaScript)

- So far we have looked at SVG commands to change an SVG element (once)
- But how can we continually apply a change over time, to get some kind of animation effect?
- SVG has commands for this also, called animate/ animateColor/ animateMotion/ animateTransform

SVG Animation Commands

- animate for animating any attribute: x, y, stroke color, fill color, etc.
- animateMotion for animating any object in a motion path
- animateTransform for animating any object by changing any transformation (I.e. animating translation/ scale/ rotation/ matrix parameters)

<rect x="5" y="150" width="100" height="100" style="fill:none; stroke:red; stroke-width:5" >

<animate attributeName="x" attributeType="XML"

dur="5s" values="5; 295; 5" From x=5 to

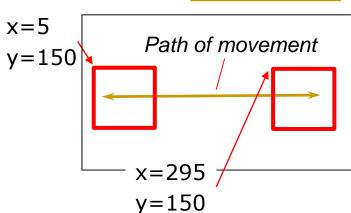
repeatCount="indefinite"/>

x=295 inc 5

</rect>

Run Demo!

- The x position is changed over a period of five seconds, from x=5 to x=295, and then back to x=5
- Values are interpolated between the three key values: 5, 295, 5

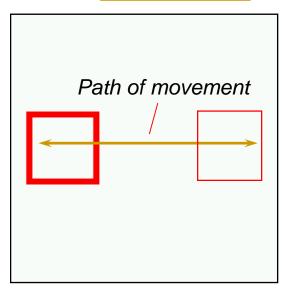


Animate Two Parameters

Anim02 animate.svg

```
<rect x="5" y="150" width="100" height="100" style="fill:none;
  stroke:red; stroke-width:5" >
  <animate attributeName="x" attributeType="XML"</pre>
       dur="5s" values="5; 295; 5"
       repeatCount="indefinite"/>
  <animate attributeName="stroke-width"</pre>
       attributeType="CSS" dur="5s"
       values="10; 1; 10"
       repeatCount="indefinite"/>
</rect>
```

Run Demo!



The fill colour is interpolated from white (255,255,255) to red (255,0,0) over five seconds

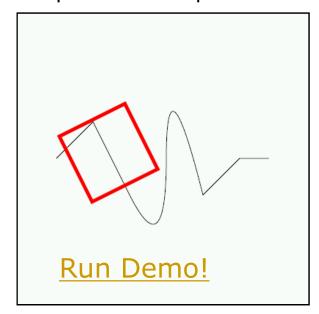
The fill colour shows all the colours of the rainbow, in a cycle lasting 8 seconds

attributeType

- Each node can have a variety of attributes
- Some are from style sheet parameters; there are others such as those added by the programmer (these are called XML attributes)
- So the attributeType can be one of
 - "CSS" (if the attribute being controlled is a CSS property)
 - "XML" (if the attribute being controlled is an XML property)
 - or "auto" (this is the best value if you're not sure the browser will search through all the attributes and use the right one)

SVG elements can be animated along a path specified by path data in the <animateMotion> element

Draw quadratic Bezier to the specific points with implicit control points



Small letter: relative Capital letter: absolute

t/T: smooth quadratic

q/Q: quadratic Bezier

animateTransform is for animating translation/ rotation/ scaling

Run Demo!

The rectangle is made larger and smaller in a 5 sec period

The rectangle is constantly rotated

Take Home Message

- SVG does not just display simple graphics; it can transform and animate graphics
- All of these are done with a markup language, without complex programming
 - The idea of markup languages is that non-programmers can do what they want without programmers' help
- Warning: There are many nicely written tutorial on SVG, but many are wrong in the execution order of multiple operations (right to left, not left to right!!!)
 - Understand the operations and their relation to the coordinate system
- JavaScript is not an essential requirement although it can further enhance interactivity