CS 523: Computer Graphics, Spring 2011 Shape Modeling

Introduction and Overview

Geometric Modeling

- To describe any reallife object on the computer – must start with shape (2D/3D)
- Geometry processing computerized modeling of 3D geometry



Digital Geometry Processing

- Processing of discrete (polygonal mesh) models
 - Typically triangular
- Why discrete?
 - Simplicity ease of description & transfer
 - Base data for rendering software/hardware
 - Output of most acquisition tools (CT, MRI, laser, etc..)
 - Input to most simulation/analysis tools



Interactive shape modeling

- Tools for design and editing of digital shapes
 - Interactive means fast algorithms
 - Intuitive expected outcome



Applications



Games/Movies







Medicine/Biology



Architecture

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Tools?

- Use techniques from both Math & CS
 - Differential geometry
 - Numerical linear algebra
 - Graph theory
- ...Combined with a lot of intuition...

Work on real data = Write/use a lot of code ③

Organization

People

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Organization

Web and communication

- Course website (external access to Wiki) https://sakai.rutgers.edu/wiki/cs523-spring2011/home.html
- Wiki, archived mails, forum, resources, etc... http://sakai.rutgers.edu
- Use mailing list
 cs523-spring2011@sakai.rutgers.edu
 and Sakai forum for communication

Organization

Course materials

- We are using a textbook (Botsch et al.)
 - But no book covers all topics
 - Many of the topics are recent research results
- I will link to relevant papers, presentations and tutorials on the course website
- Lecture slides will be available on the web shortly before each class
 - Makes sense to annotate them during the lectures

Prerequisites

- Familiarity with basic calculus, linear algebra, and vector calculus
- Familiarity with a graphics API (e.g. OpenGL)
 - If not, learn quickly (for the sake of visualization)
- C/C++ coding skills
 - If Java is preferred, you will be on your own
- Capability to search Google and forums for useful information ⁽³⁾

Course Overview

Topics

- Shape representations in computer graphics
 - Points, implicits, meshes + related data structures
- Shape acquisition and reconstruction
- Linear algebra tools for geometric modeling
- Differential geometry (normals, curvatures, ...)
- Digital geometry processing (smoothing etc.)
- Mesh deformation (space- and surface-based)
 - Approximately 40-50% of the course

Grading

- 30% Assignments (can be done in teams)
 - Assignment 1: Mesh processing "Hello World".
 mesh data structure programming + rendering
 - Assignment 2: Basic local mesh operations + selection tools
- 40% Final project (can be done in teams)
 - Implementation/extension of a space or surface based editing tool (makes use of assignments 1+2)
 - Includes proposal, report and presentation

Grading

- 20% Paper presentation (teams. depends on class size.)
 - Many possible sources: SIGGRAPH, Symposium on Geometry Processing (SGP), Shape Modeling International (SMI), Eurographics, see http://kesen.huang.googlepages.com/
 - 15-20 minute power point presentation + discussion with me (latest) one day before class
- 10% Class participation
 - Feedback on peer paper presentation + application presentations, etc.

The big picture

• 3D graphics programming in 1979





approx. 25 triangles

approx. 50 x 100 pixels

The big picture

Common workflow



approx. 25 triangles

approx. 50 x 100 pixels

The big picture

Common workflow Modeling Rendering **3D Models 3D Objects** Images • Scene Interaction • Geometry • Animation Material • Lighting

The big picture



The big picture

Common workflow Modeling Rendering **3D Objects 3D Models** Images • Scene Manual Interaction • Geometry Procedural Direct • Parametric manipulation Simulation Points Sampling of real-• Sketching Implicit world objects Animation Mesh Images Skeletal • Material Video deformation • Lighting • Keyframing

The big picture



The big picture



The big picture

Model representation and conversion



The big picture

Model modification and editing loop

Modeling

Rendering

3D Objects

- Manual
- Procedural
- Simulation
- Sampling of realworld objects
- Images
- Video



- Shape representation
 - Parametric surfaces
 - Subdivision surfaces
 - Implicits





- Shape representation
 - Polygonal meshes









- Shape acquisition
 - Scanning/imaging
 - Reconstruction











- Mathematical tools
 - Revisit linear algebra: transformations, spectral decomposition, PCA, SVD
 - See where these are used!



- Mathematical tools
 - Differential geometry continuous and discrete
 - Our main tool to analyze and understand shapes





- Digital geometry processing
 - Denoising, smoothing, simplification/remeshing, parameterization, compression





- Shape modeling and deformation
 - Space warps/ Freeform deformations



- Shape modeling and deformation
 - Surface-based deformations



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Sketch-based interfaces

- Shape creation
- Shape editing













- More applications of geometric deformation
 - Skeleton-skin animation; morphing
 - Image/video retargeting











Assignments

- Assignment 1: Mesh processing "Hello World"
 - Goals: learn basic mesh data structure programming + rendering (flat/gouraud shaded, wireframe) + basic GUI programming





Assignments

- Assignment 2: selection + operation tools
 - Goals: implement image-space selection tools and perform local operations (smoothing, etc.) on selected region



Final Project

- Implementation/extension of a space or surface based editing tool
 - makes use of assignments 1 + 2
 - Your own suggestion, with instructor approval





Final Project

- Includes written project report and presentation
 - Latex style files will be provided
 - Power Point examples will be provided





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