

# ECSE–4750 Computer Graphics HW4

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1. (10 pts) (This is a test of complex a scene your machine can handle.)
  - (a) Write a simple OpenGL program to read an integer N, and then draw N random triangles, each of width 1/10 of the width of the window.
  - (b) Run the program repeatedly with N=10, 30, 100, 300, ..... until something crashes, or it gets so slow that your patience runs out.
  - (c) Report your machine HW and SW, what happened, and when it happened.

## *Solution :*

- (a) The source code is attached at the end of this report. With the random number generator functions attached. Besides, the width of the triangles are 1/10 of the width of the window.
- (b) Done, some of the screen copies are attached. I tested this using the Desktop at my lab, which is a much more powerful machine than my own laptop. So when I increased N to  $10^7$ , it takes about 5.4 seconds to display, (which is measured using my stop watch). When I increased N to  $10^8$ , it takes about 46.7 seconds to display the triangles, which is pretty slow, I think.
- (c) HW:

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$lspci -v | grep VGA
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03:00.0 VGA compatible controller: NVIDIA Corporation GF100 [GeForce GTX  
Memory: 16G
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Disk: 1T + 250G + 256G SSD

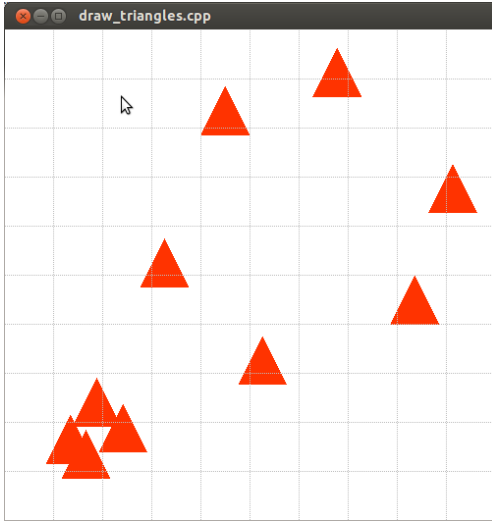
SW:

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name of display: :0
display: :0 screen: 0
direct rendering: Yes
server glx vendor string: NVIDIA Corporation
server glx version string: 1.4
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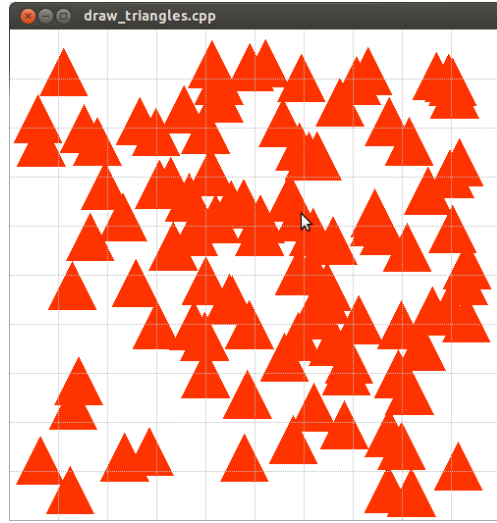
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OpenGL vendor string: NVIDIA Corporation
OpenGL renderer string: GeForce GTX 480/PCIe/SSE2
OpenGL version string: 4.2.0 NVIDIA 304.88
OpenGL shading language version string: 4.20 NVIDIA via Cg compiler
OpenGL extensions:
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GL_AMD_multi_draw_indirect, GL_ARB_base_instance,
GL_ARB_blend_func_extended, GL_ARB_color_buffer_float,
GL_ARB_compatibility, GL_ARB_compressed_texture_pixel_storage,
GL_ARB_conservative_depth, GL_ARB_copy_buffer, GL_ARB_depth_buffer_float,
GL_ARB_depth_clamp, GL_ARB_depth_texture, GL_ARB_draw_buffers,
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The following are several snapshots with different Ns.

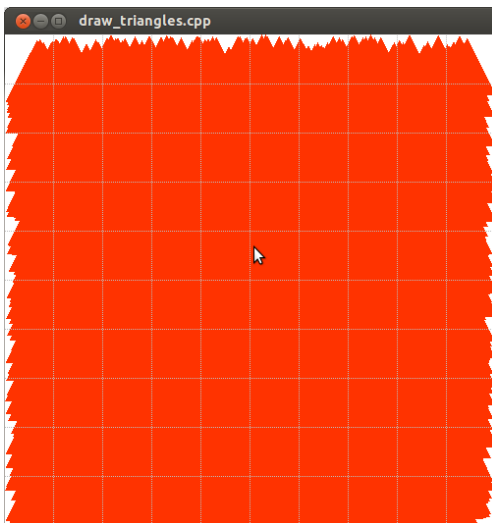


(a)  $N = 10$

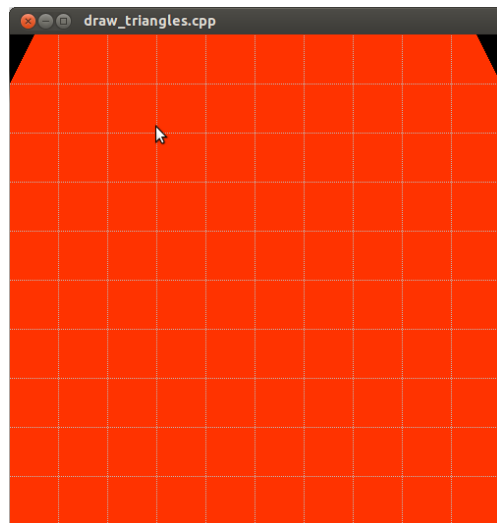


(b)  $N = 100$

Figure 1:  $N$  triangles



(a)  $N = 5000$



(b)  $N = 10^8$

Figure 2:  $N$  triangles

2. Write the 4x4 matrix for a 3D translation by (2,3,4).

**Solution:**

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

3. Apply it to the 3D point (1, 0, 1).

**Solution:**

$$(3, 3, 5)$$

4. Write the  $4 \times 4$  matrix for a multiplication about the Y axis by 90 degrees.

**Solution:**

First of all, we could find the  $3 \times 3$  matrix  $\mathbf{M}$  on the left upper part of the  $4 \times 4$  matrix, using the definition of:

$$\mathbf{M} = \begin{bmatrix} \cos \theta + (1 - \cos \theta)a_1^2 & (1 - \cos \theta)a_1a_2 - \sin \theta a_3 & (1 - \cos \theta)a_1a_3 + \sin \theta a_2 \\ (1 - \cos \theta)a_1a_2 + \sin \theta a_3 & \cos \theta + (1 - \cos \theta)a_2^2 & (1 - \cos \theta)a_2a_3 + \sin \theta a_1 \\ (1 - \cos \theta)a_1a_3 - \sin \theta a_2 & (1 - \cos \theta)a_2a_3 + \sin \theta a_1 & \cos \theta + (1 - \cos \theta)a_3^2 \end{bmatrix}$$

Here we are going to rotate about the Y axis by 90 degrees, then we have:

$$a_1 = 0$$

$$a_2 = 1$$

$$a_3 = 0$$

$$\theta = 90^\circ$$

Substitute into the matrix, we would get:

$$\mathbf{M} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad (1)$$

Then the  $4 \times 4$  matrix for a multiplication about the Y axis by 90 degrees is:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

5. Apply it to the answer from question 3.

**Solution:**

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 3 \\ 5 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ 3 \\ -3 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\boxed{(5, 3, -3, 1)} \tag{2}$$

6. Multiply the matrices that are the answers to questions 2 and 4, with 2 being on the right.

**Solution:**

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 & 4 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 3 \\ -1 & 0 & 0 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \tag{3}$$

7. Apply that matrix to the point  $(1, 0, 1)$ . The answer should be the same as question 5.

**Solution:**

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 & 4 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 3 \\ -1 & 0 & 0 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ 3 \\ -3 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \tag{4}$$

The answer is the same as question 5.

8. Why is it useful that translation be a matrix multiplication?

**Solution:**

If applying several translations, it is faster to first multiply the matrices, then just multiply all the points by that one matrix.

9. Suppose that you specify two colors before drawing a point thus:

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glColor3f(1.,0.,1.);
glColor3f(0.,1.,0.);
glVertex3f(10.,20.,30.);
```

What color is the point? E.g, do the magenta and green mix to make the point white?

**Solution:**

The most recent color will work, which is green here. So the point is green

10. Suppose that you draw a second point w/o specifying the color again. What color is this point? E.g. does it revert to black?

**Solution:**

The color of this point is still the most recent defined one, which is still green here, since we draw a second point w/o specifying the color again.

11. (Reverse engineering rotations) In 2D, if the point  $(1, 2)$  rotates about the origin to  $(2, -1)$ , what's the angle?

**Solution:**

It is 270 degrees (or  $-90$  degrees) if we take the counter-clock direction as positive. We could easily verify this, since  $\theta = 270^\circ(-90^\circ)$ , we have  $\cos \theta = 0, \sin \theta = -1$ , then:

$$\mathbf{R} = \begin{bmatrix} \cos \theta & -\sin \theta \\ \sin \theta & \cos \theta \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Then we will have:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} \quad (5)$$