



Chapter 10



Module 8



Visualization



- ✓ In visualization, we are concerned with *exploration*
- ✓ In computer-graphics, we are concerned with *rendering*



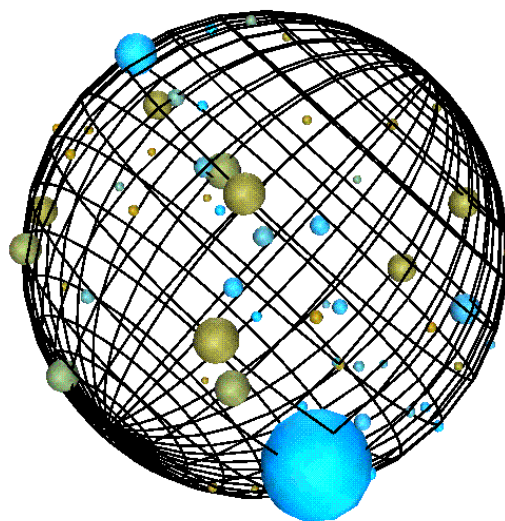
The use of 3D



- ✓ Analog with *real-world* physics.
- ✓ 10-fold improvement in item density with 3D.
- ✓ Familiarity with spatial location helps reduce visual clutter.
- ✓ Need sufficient visual cues.



Use of 3D





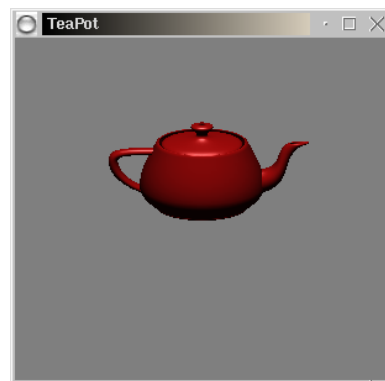
OpenGL



- ✓ SGI in-house graphics system
- ✓ Now a widely accepted graphics standard
- ✓ Standard on UNIX and Windows
- ✓ API supports rendering, buffering, anti-aliasing, shading, colouring, texture-mapping, a display list, Z-buffering...



OpenGL Application





OpenGL source



```
CODE LISTING                                teapot.c

#include <GL/glut.h>
void
teapot (long grid)
{
    /* ... code to construct drawlist of teapot here. */
}
static void
init (void)
{
    glEnable (GL_DEPTH_TEST);
    glLightModelfv (GL_LIGHT_MODEL_LOCAL_VIEWER, local_view);
    /* Lighting model, materials... */
}
static void
SpecialKey (int key, int x, int y)
{
    switch (key) {
        case GLUT_KEY_UP:
            rotX -= 20.0;
            glutPostRedisplay ();
            break;
        /* Move in other directions */
    }
}
static void
Draw (void)
{
    glClear (GL_COLOR_BUFFER_BIT | GL_DEPTH_BUFFER_BIT);
    glPushMatrix ();
    /* ... translations ... */
    glCallList (teapList);
    glPopMatrix ();
    glutSwapBuffers ();
}
int
main (int argc, char **argv)
{
    glutInit (&argc, argv);
    type = GLUT_RGB | GLUT_DEPTH;
    type |= (doubleBuffer) ? GLUT_DOUBLE : GLUT_SINGLE;
    glutInitDisplayMode (type);
    glutInitWindowSize (300, 300);
    glutCreateWindow ("TeaPot");
    init ();
    glutReshapeFunc (Reshape);
    glutKeyboardFunc (Key);
    glutSpecialFunc (SpecialKey);
    glutDisplayFunc (Draw);
    glutMainLoop ();
}
```



Java3D & VTK



- ✓ 3D OO toolkits
- ✓ VTK is open source
 - ✓ C++ class library, and
 - ✓ interface layers for Tcl/Tk, Java, and Python.



Network traffic application



To help answer questions such as the following:

- Which segments carry the most traffic?
- Which sections of the network are down?
- At what times, and where do traffic bottlenecks occur?
- ...



Application elements

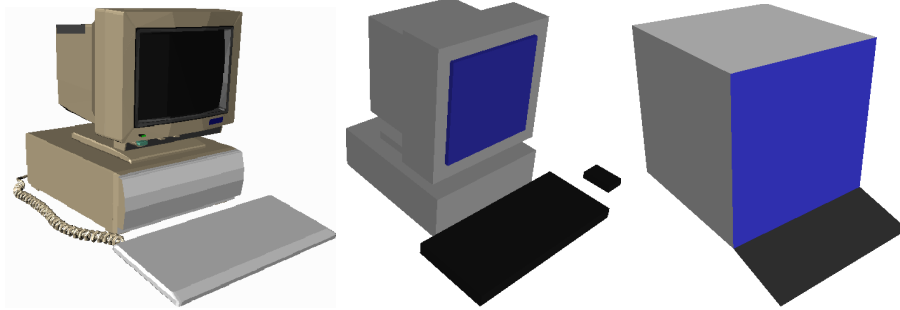


Following elements are represented:

- Background: - to convince the viewer that the display is *three dimensional*...
- Nodes: - a computer, a network device...
- Traffic: - the amount of traffic flow...
- Protocol: - the *type* of traffic...
- ...



Node representation



Rendering speed



Machine	Rendering speed	Computer (a)	Computer (b)	Computer (c)
Workstation	485,000 Δ /sec	0.485 frames/sec	11.5 frames/sec	69 frames/sec
PC1	30,000 Δ /sec	0.03 frames/sec	0.71 frames/sec	4.3 frames/sec
PC2	11,000 Δ /sec	0.011 frames/sec	0.26 frames/sec	1.6 frames/sec



Levels of Detail



- ✓ Some representation methods allow different *levels of detail*.
- ✓ In VRML an object may be represented in different ways depending on how large it is.
- ✓ If the object is near you, it could be represented in detail, but if it is a long way away, the representation could be as simple as a coloured square.



LOD



```
LOD {
  range [20]
  level [
    Shape{                #full detail 16 sided cone
      appearance Appearance { material Material { ... } }
      geometry Extrusion{ ... }.
    }
    Shape{                #low detail 4 sided cone
      appearance Appearance { material Material { ... } }
      geometry Extrusion{ ... }
    }
  ]
}
```

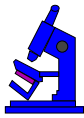


LOD



- ✓ If the distance from the user to the object is smaller than the first range value specified, then the first version is drawn.

- ✓ If the distance is greater than the last range specified, the last version is drawn.



Traffic and protocols



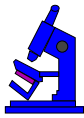
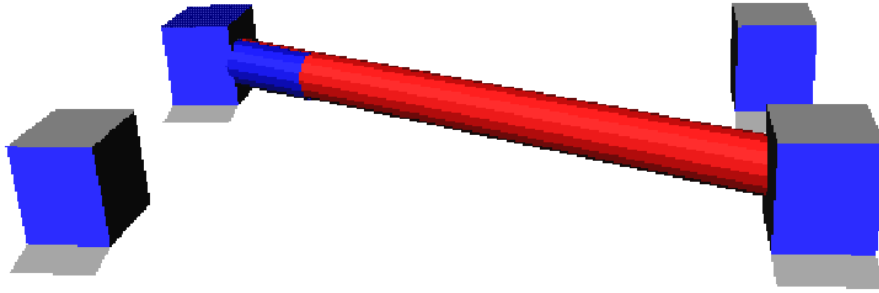
Draw a line between nodes.

A line indicates source and destination, but not the *amount* of traffic:

1. Colour coding (black through red to white for maximum traffic),
2. Line width, and
3. The length of partial lines, as discussed in Eick's papers.



Partial lengths



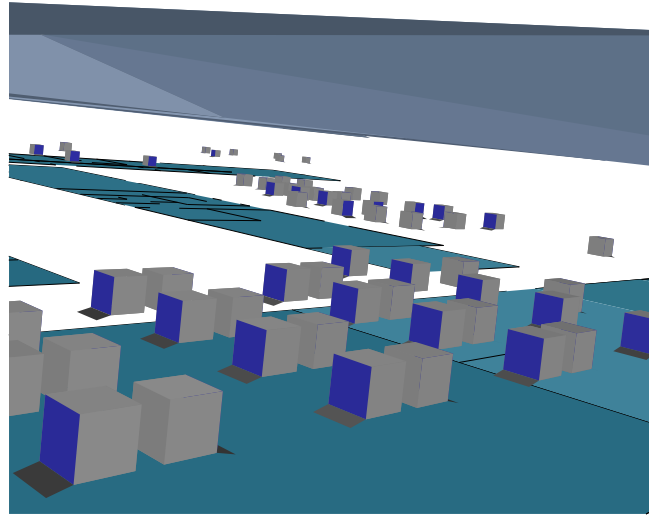
Trend representation



- ✓ Graphing
- ✓ 4D visualization methods
- ✓ Encode previous *on-top-of* the current - *visual* echoes.



Display



Systems

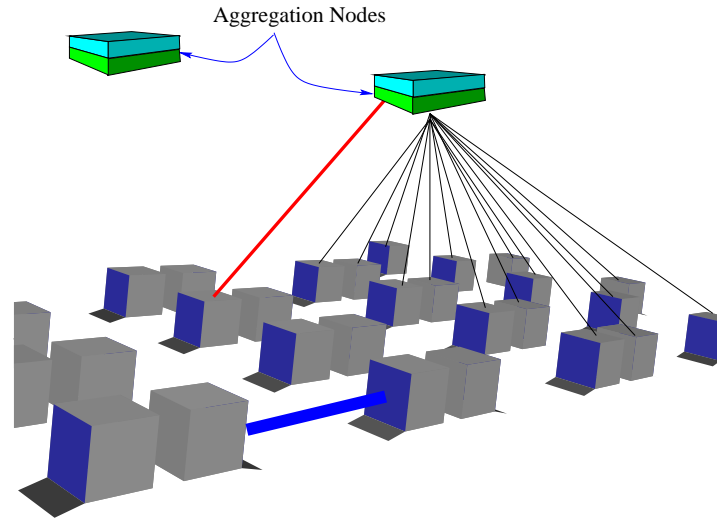


- ✓ CosmoPlayer VRML viewer,
- ✓ **geomview.**

The visualization is not dependant on the navigation or implementation method.



Aggregation



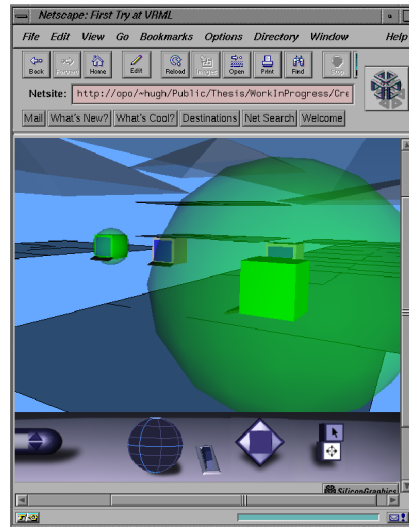
Implementation #1



- ✓ A data collector
- ✓ A web page with... a
 - ✓ Java program loaded as an applet, and a
 - ✓ VRML view of the network.



3DVNT



Web page



```
<html><head> <title>Sample 3DVNT Page</title> </head>
<center><H1>Sample 3DVNT Page </H1></center>
<center> <embed src="root.wrl" height="600" width="700"> </center>
<center> <ap-
plet code="View1.class" width="100" height="10" mayscript>
<PARAM name="segment" value="MACS">
<PARAM name="port" value="9876">
<PARAM name="host" value="opo.usp.ac.fj"> </applet> </center>
OK?
</html>
```



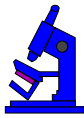
VRML



```

PROTO CLUSTER [] { ... } # Cluster definition
PROTO KEYBOARD [] { ... } # Keyboard definition
PROTO SCREEN [] { ... } # Screen definition
PROTO GLOBE [] { ... } # Traffic sphere definition
# Some setting up declarations
Background { skyColor .4 .66 1 }
NavigationInfo { type [ "EXAMINE", "ANY" ] speed 400 }
Viewpoint { position 0 400 0 orientation 0 1 0 4 description "Camera 1" }
# Lines, floors and roofs
DEF LINES Transform { ... }
DEF FLOORS Transform { ... }
DEF ROOFS Transform { ... }
# and then the nodes
DEF node1 Transform { ... }
DEF node2 Transform { ... }
# ... and so on ...

```



VRML nodes



```

DEF node1 Transform {
  translation 4350 150 4365
  rotation 0 1 0 4.71238
  children [
    KEYBOARD {}
    SCREEN {}
    DEF node1box Transform {
      children [
        Shape { ... }
      ]
    }
    DEF node1sphere Transform {
      scale 1 1 1
      children [
        Shape { ... }
      ]
    }
  ] ] }

```



Java 1



```

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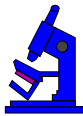
import java.applet.*;
import java.awt.*;
import java.util.*;
import vrmL.external.field.*;
import vrmL.external.exception.*;
import vrmL.external.Node;
import vrmL.external.Browser;
import java.io.*;
import java.net.*;

public class View1 extends Applet {
    // public static final int DEFAULT_PORT = 9877;
    Browser browser;
    Socket s = null;
    DataInputStream in = null;
    String line;

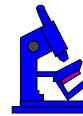
    public void init() {
        System.out.println("TestInit()");
    }
    void SocketStart () throws java.io.IOException {
        String port = this.getParameter("port");
        int p = Integer.parseInt(port);
        try {
            String host = getCodeBase().getHost();
            System.out.println("Request came from: " + host);
            s = new Socket(host, p);
        } catch (UnknownHostException e) {
            System.out.println("No socket" + e);
        }
    }
    public void start() {
        int count=0;
        Node node2sphere=null;
        Node appear=null;
        EventInSFVec3F[] scaleIn=new EventInSFVec3F[100];
        EventInSFCOLOR[] appears=new EventInSFCOLOR[100];
        float[] val = new float[3];
        int[] lastval = new int[100];
        int n;
        String id,v1;

        while (count != 100) {
            scaleIn[count] = null;
            appears[count] = null;
            lastval[count] = 0;
            count=count+1;
        }
        try {
            SocketStart();
        } catch (java.io.IOException e) {
            System.out.println("No socket" + e);
        }
        System.out.println("TestStart()");
        browser = (Browser) vrmL.external.Browser.getBrowser(this);
        System.out.println("Got the browser" + browser);
        count = 0;
        try {
            in = new DataInputStream(s.getInputStream());
        }
    }
}
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```



Java 2



```

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while(true) {
    line = in.readLine();
    if (line == null) {
        System.out.println("Server closed connection.");
        break;
    }
    if (line.regionMatches(0,"n",0,1)) {
        id = line.substring(2,n);
        n = line.indexOf(" ");
        v1 = line.substring(n+1);
        System.out.println("Test "+v1+"---");
        integer a = Integer.valueOf(id);
        integer b = Integer.valueOf(v1);
        if (scaleIn[a.intValue()] == null) {
            try {
                node2sphere = browser.getNode("node"+id+"sphere");
                System.out.println("Got the sphere node: " + node2sphere);
            } catch (InvalidNodeException e) {
                System.out.println("PROBLEMS! node2sphere: " + e);
            }
            try {
                scaleIn[a.intValue()] = (EventInSFVec3F) node2sphere.getEventIn("scale");
                System.out.println("Got the sphere scale node: " + appears[a.intValue()]);
            } catch (InvalidNodeException e) {
                System.out.println("PROBLEMS! (scaleIn): " + e);
            }
            try {
                appear = browser.getNode("node"+id+"boxcolor");
                System.out.println("Got the Boxcolor node: " + appear);
            } catch (InvalidNodeException e) {
                System.out.println("PROBLEMS! appearance: " + e);
            }
            try {
                appears[a.intValue()] = (EventInSFCOLOR) appear.getEventIn("set_diffuseColor");
                System.out.println("Got the Boxcolor color node: " + appears[a.intValue()]);
            } catch (InvalidNodeException e) {
                System.out.println("PROBLEMS! appearance color: " + e);
            }
        }
        if (b.intValue() == -1) {
            val[0] = (float)1.0;
            val[1] = (float)1.0;
            val[2] = (float)1.0;
        } else {
            val[0] = (float)(b.intValue()/20)+1;
            val[1] = (float)(b.intValue()/20)+1;
            val[2] = (float)(b.intValue()/20)+1;
        }
        scaleIn[a.intValue()].setValue(val);
        if (b.intValue() == 0) != (lastval[a.intValue()] == 0) {
            if (b.intValue() == 0) {
                val[0] = (float)0.8;
                val[1] = (float)0.8;
                val[2] = (float)0.8;
            } else {
                appears[a.intValue()].setValue(val);
            }
        }
    }
}
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```



Java 3



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} else {
    if (b.intValue() == 1) {
        val[0] = (float)0.1;
        val[1] = (float)0.1;
        val[2] = (float)0.1;
        appears[a.intValue()].setValue(val);
    } else {
        val[0] = (float)0.0;
        val[1] = (float)0.0;
        val[2] = (float)0.0;
        appears[a.intValue()].setValue(val);
    }
}
lastval[ a.intValue()-b.intValue();
//
} } System.out.println(line);
} catch (IOException e) { System.out.println("Reader: " + e); }
}
public Browser getBrowser() {
    return browser;
}
}
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```



Summary of topics



In this module, we introduced the following topics:

- Visualization versus computer-graphics
- OpenGL
- (Briefly) Java3D, VTK
- VRML/Java/EAI