CS 4731: Computer Graphics Final review Emmanuel Agu

Exam Overview

- Thursday, Oct. 16, in-class
- Will cover lectures 13-24 (12 lectures)
- Can bring:
 - One page cheat -sheet
 - Calculator
- Will test:
 - Theoretical concepts
 - Mathematics
 - Algorithms
 - Programming
 - OpenGL knowledge (program structure and some commands)

What really am I Testing?

- Understanding of on concepts (NOT only programming)
- That you can plug in numbers by hand to check your programs
- Understanding of programming (pseudocode/syntax)
- That you did the projects
- That you understand what you did in projects

General Advise

- Read your projects and refresh memory of what you did
- Read the slides: worst case if you understand slides, you're more than 50% prepared
- I've placed actual .ppt slides on web to make it clearer
- Focus on Mathematical results, concepts, algorithms
- Plug numbers: calculate by hand
- Midterm was calculation-intensive, final exam more algorithmic
- Should be able to predict subtle changes to algorithm... What ifs?..
- Past exams: my exams will be most similar to last year's exam
- Every lecture has references. Look at refs to focus reading

Grading Policy

- Will still do **ALL** grading myself
- Give you all the points, take away only what I have to
- In time constraints, laying out outline of solution gets you healthy chunk of points
- Try to write something for each question

General Notes!

- This exam is more algorithmic than first
- Need to read and understand subtleties of algorithm
- Some concepts permeate multiple topics
 - E.g. Interpolation
 - Make sure you know those topics

Projection matrices

- Projection matrices
 - Perspective projectionOrthographic projection

 - How to derive them, plug numbers
 If parameters changed, how would derivations change?

3D clipping, viewport transf, illumination

- 3D clipping (Liang-Barsky algorithm)
- Viewport transformation in 3D
- Illumination models
 - Light types (point, extended, etc)
 - Global vs local illumination
 - Ambient, diffuse, specular
 - Phong light model
 - OpenGL lighting, material commands
 - Shading (flat, gouraud, phong, etc)

Texturing, HSR, Shadows

- Texturing
 - Flat, curved surface
 - OpenGL texturing commands
- Hidden surface removal
 - Z-buffer
 - OpenGL HSR commands
 - Others (painters algorithm, backface culling, etc)
- Shadows
 - Shadows as texture (projection)
 - Shadow buffer approach
 - Umbra, penumbra

Raster graphics

- Raster graphics
 - Pixel manipulation
 - RGBpixmap class
 - Image manipulation (dissolve, alpha blending, etc)
 - Line drawing (simple DDA, Bresenham's algorithm)
 - Filling pixel regions (recursive fill, using coherence, etc)
 - Polygon-defined regions
 - Antialiasing (prefiltering, supersampling, openGL, etc)

Curves, Color

- Curves
 - Representations (implicit, explicit, parametric, etc)
 - Continuity
 - Interactive curve design (interpolation, etc)
 - De Casteljau algorithm
 - Bezier curves, B -splines, NURBs
- Color
 - Hue, saturation, wavelengths, etc
 - The eye, cones, tristimulus theory, etc
 - Color spaces (CIE, RGB, HSV, etc)
 - Color quantization, gamma correction, device color gamuts

Final Words

- You've all worked very hard
- Graphics is a hard topic...
- Symptoms of hardness:
 - No book does good job explaining all topics
 - Professor is a slave driver, tough to understand
 - TA's don't help enough
- Friends can't help much either
- Hopefully, you've learned a lot
- If you've worked hard, tried, I will curve to make you pass
- If you're doing well, finish strong!!
- Good luck!