Web3D Quickstart 1

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The Greatest Common Denominator

1997 era VRML worlds runs in :

- 2018 HyperCube
- Samsung GearVR, DayDream Apps
- HTML5

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21 years of asset durability

And reproducibility !!!



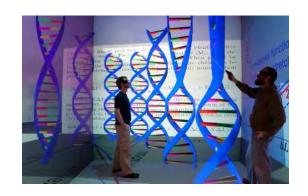


VT Visionarium Lab Upgrade

- 26.7 million active stereo pixels:
 The HyperCube CAVE
- Intersense, now ARTracking
- Active -> Passive -> now Active stereo



Something in Common?









Vis.arc.vt.edu

Instantreality.org

3dprint.nih.gov

Web3D.org

Specifications, Resources, Community

VRML -> Web3D Conference Proceedings

23 Years in the ACM Digital Library

Google Scholar search:

- 'Extensible 3D'
 109,000 hits;
 19,500 hits for 'X3D'
- 'Virtual Reality Modelling Language' 258,000 hits;
 80,300 hits for 'VRML'







VRML is X3D...

A text editor:

Change the first line of your *.wrl from :

#VRML V2.0

To:

#VRML V3.0

... save as *.x3dv

but X3D is so much more!

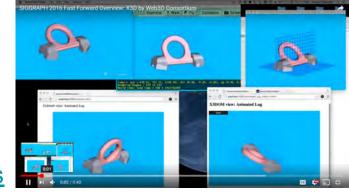
MIME Types

X3D Encoding	File Extension	MIME Type
XML	.x3d, .x3dz	model/x3d+xml
JSON	.x3dj	model/x3d+json
Classic VRML	.x3dv, .x3dvz	model/x3d+vrml
Binary	.x3db, .x3dbz	model/x3d+binary
VRML	.wrl, .wrz	model/vrml

YouTube

Web3D Consortium Channel

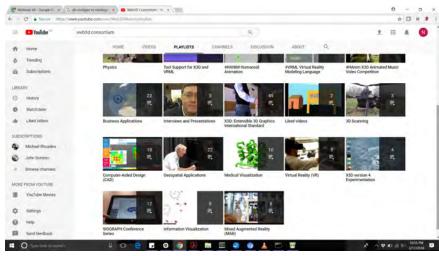
https://www.youtube.com/user/Web3DMaster/playlists



Twitter

https://twitter.com/Web3DConsortium





Standards make the Web go round!

Runtime approaches:

1) Installed engines import, export render X3D and VRML with different node Profiles

- 2) Javascript Polyfills ('native' in browser):
 - X3DOM: https://www.x3dom.org/
 - X_Cite: http://create3000.de/x_ite/





X3D Engines

(March 2018)

- Instant Reality
- Covise/OpenCover
- GearVR
- Castle3D
- FreeWRL
- H3D (Haptics, py)
- Coin3D
- Titania
- Octaga
- Xj3D
- BS Contact
- ...

HTML5 + WebGL Javascript Polyfills:

- X3DOM
- X_CITE
- NIH 3D Viewer
- Smithsonian X 3D

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Three.js

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Instant Reality

http://www.instantreality.org/





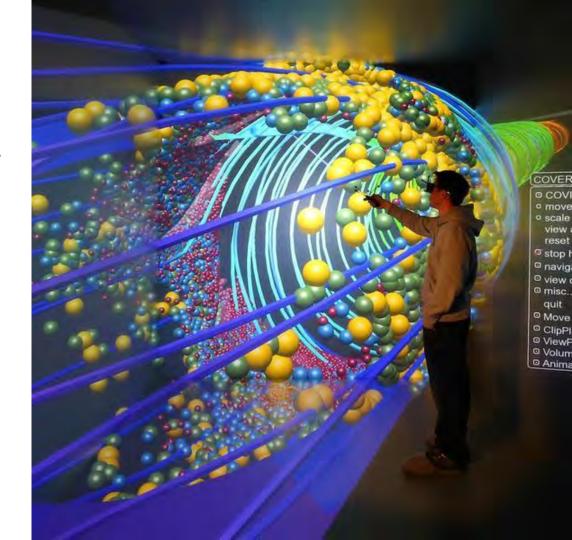




Covise/OpenCover

https://github.com/hlrs-vis/covise





X_CITE and LINUX X3D Editor

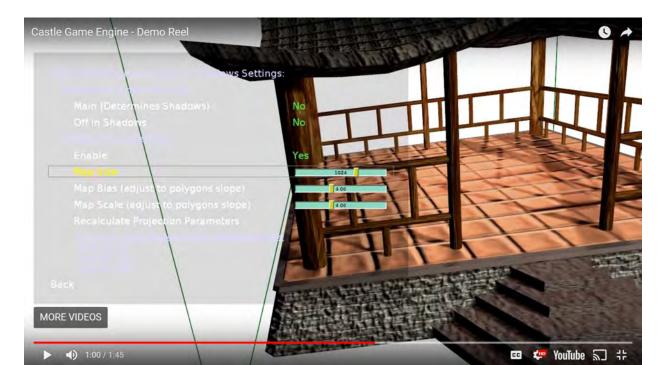
TITANIA

http://create3000.de/



Castle3D Game Engine

https://castle-engine.io/



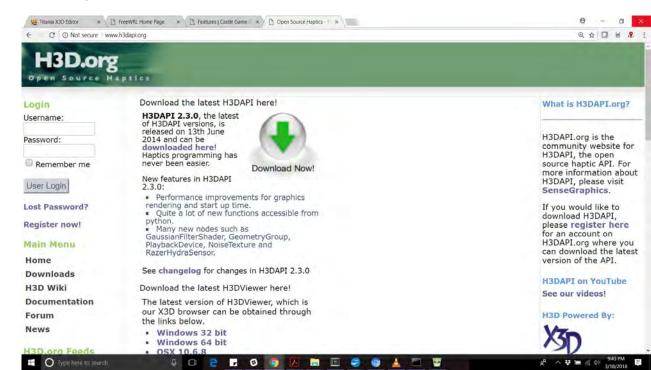
FreeWRL

http://freewrl.sourceforge.net/



H3D.org - Haptics

X3D + Volume Component (MEDX3D)





4D: a first-class citizen

- Networked 3D digital assets
 - Objects and components
 - Appearances & materials
 - Environments
- Animation and Timeseries databases
- Metadata & web-aware referencing
- Interaction semantics

X3D Scene graph

Resources & International Community



www.web3d.org

http://www.web3d.org/documents/specifications/19775-1/V3.3/index.html

Book:

http://x3dgraphics.com/

Online Slides: http://x3dgraphics.com/slidesets/index.php

Online Examples: http://www.web3d.org/x3d/content/#Examples

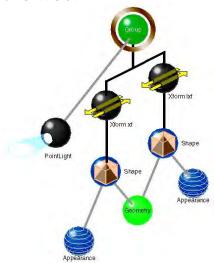




ISO-IEC Standard Scope

Scene graph for real-time interactive delivery of virtual environments over the web:

- Meshes, lights, materials, textures, shaders
- Integrated video, audio
- Animation
- Interaction
- Behaviors
- Scripts
- Application Programming Interfaces
- 3.3 examples for Medical Imaging, CAD and Geospatial support!



X3D & VRML Scene Graph

- Transformation
 - Directed Acyclic Graph
- Worlds by URL#Viewpoint
- Bind-ables
 - NavigationInfo {} ... modes: WALK, FLY, EXAMINE, ...
 - Default to lexical order
 - Modifiable through Script and SAI / EAI
 - Background, Fog,
 - Viewpoint

Foundations

- ISO standard, openly published and royalty-free
- A layer above media and rendering libraries
- Multiple implementations including open source codebases
- X3D Scene graph includes the *Transformation graph* and the *Behavior graph*

Application	
VRML, X3D	
Open GL, etc	
Operating System	

Scene Graph

- Lives above the rendering library
- Specifies object and environmental properties:
 - Lights
 - Camera
 - Transformation and Grouping of Shapes (parent child)
 - Geometry and Appearance (materials, textures, shaders)
 - Environmental effects (e.g. Fog, Backgrounds)
- Manifests animation and interaction behaviors
- Is 'traversed' for drawing

Scenegraph

Lots of tools export:

- Virtual Reality Modeling Language (VRML)
- Extensible 3D (X3D)

... lots of other proprietary formats;
can be converted with
commercial translation tools,
open source tools,
or your own Scripts!

X3D File wrl. .wrz Encodings XML Encoding VRML 97 DTD. Schema Specification .x3dv ISO 19776-1 DOM ISO 14772-2 Classic VRML Document Encoding Object Model X3D ISO 19776-2 Recommendations Abstract, API W3C Specifications ISO 19775-1.2 x3db H-Anim Scene Access Binary ISO 19774 Interface (SAI) Encoding scripting API for Java XML ISO 19776-3 ISO 19777-2 Scene Access Encryption. Interface (SAI) Authentication scripting API Recommendations for EcmaScript Programming ISO 19777-1 Language Bindings

Target X3D Profiles and Components for different node sets (functionality)

Behavior Graph

- How events flow through the system
 - ROUTEs
- The 'Event Cascade' per timestep / frame
 - Animations (keyframe)
 - Interpolators
 - Sequencers
 - Timesensor
 - Interactions
 - ROUTE sensors to Event Utilities
 - Or write a Script {} to process events w logic

Lights

• Have attributes:

- position, orientation/direction, on/off, intensity, color, range, attenuation, ...
- DirectionalLight
- PointLight
- Spotlight
- Scoping rules
 - Siblings
 - global

Cameras

- Binding Stack
 - Current at top
 - Forward and Back in the Stack (Pg-Up, Pg-Dn)
 - Listed in Browser
 - Scripted

- Viewpoint: perspective camera
- OrthoViewpoint: orthographic camera

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Transformation & Grouping

- Transform
- Group
- LOD
- Switch
- Billboard
- Collision
- Anchor

Scenegraph scopes lights and sensors

Shapes

Consist of geometry and appearance data:

- Material, ImageTexture, Shaders
- Primitives (Box, Cone, Cylinder, Sphere)
- ElevationGrid, Extrusion
- IndexedFaceSet, IndexedLineSet
- PointSet
- Carries Color, Normals, Coordinate, indices
- 'ComposedGeometry' component includes triangle fans and strips

Environment nodes

Bindables:

- BackGround
- TextureBackground

- Fog
- LocalFog

Animation

For each field type you want to animate: position, orientation, scalar, integer, color, coordinate

- Keyframe or Scripts
- Keyframes:
 - o Interoplators
 - Sequencers

ROUTE TimeSensor.fractionChanged to *Interpolator key

ROUTE *Interpolator keyValue to node's field

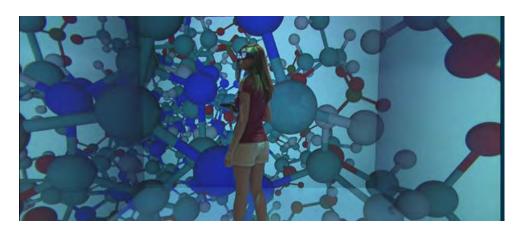
Going Immersive @ VT

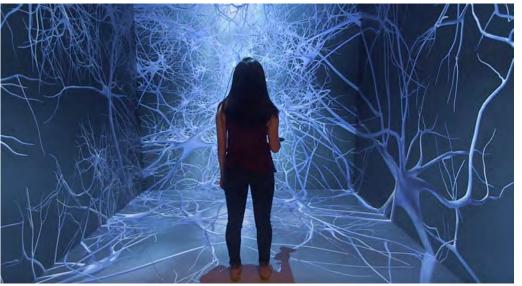
Instant Player Engine files:

- Stereo Windows and Screens
- 3DUI as Javascript

InstantIO components:

- ART head, wand data
- DTK/TrackD (Intersense)
- Navigator





Data Structures for Computer Graphics

- Raster Images are generated ...
- Vector graphics
- None pure OpenGL drawing
- Scene Graph:
 - Transformation Graph
 - Behavior Graph
- DOM and styling

Scene Graphs

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- Declarative
 - Rich:
 - Inventor, VRML, X3D, COLLADA, ...
 - Simple
 - Gltf, glb
- Imperative
 - Built / modified programmatically (by API)