Part 1: Web3D Overview

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The Semantic Web3D

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Towards comprehensive representation of 3D content on the semantic web

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www.web3d.org Our Standards X3D and HAnim

Founded in 1997, Web3D is an open, non-profit, member-driven industry consortium developing royalty-free 3D ISO standards

Paving the Road to Interoperable 3D Graphics with Open Standards

Our Members

Academia Industry Research Institutes Universities Government Professionals

We are based in Mountain View, California

Objective:

- Overview of Web3D Standards
- Web3D and the Semantic Web
- Example
- Conclusion and take-away





Factors Influencing 3D technology today

- Growth of re-built 3D content
- Less hardware and network limitations
- Rendering high quality graphics in real-time
- Growth of VR devices
- Web is our platform



Active Web3D Standards





eXtensible 3D Version 3.3

File Format and Rendering Engine

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HAnim Version 2 Humanoid Animation

X3D standards and HANIM Ratified by ISO/IEC JTC 1/SC 24

Delivering New Dimensions on the Web

X3D: Used in many Industry Verticals

Cultural Heritage

Geospatial







3D Printing



Mixed Augmented Medical Reality



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Second Generation VRML A complete Solution for 3D on the Web * Enterprise 3D *

Real-Time * Web Based * Interactive * Animation * Extensible * Scriptable



Meshes * Lights * Cameras * Materials * Textures * Shaders * Annotation * Volume * Audio/Video * AR/VR * Security * Metadata

Scene graph for real-time interactive 3D

Delivery of virtual environments over the web

Multiple encodings XML (.x3d) Classic VRML (.x3dv) Compressed Binary (.x3db) JSON **Multiple APIs** Javascript, Java, C#, C++, C, Python

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The X3D graphics stack



X3D for Web Authors Vs WebGL for 3D graphics application programmers

Open Source X3D Browsers

X3DOM <u>http://www.x3dom.org</u>

X_ITE http://create3000.de/x_ite

Standalone – Instant Reality



Two approaches of 3D in HTML

Completes graphics technologies



Imperative

Procedural API Drawing context Flexible



Graphics Programmers





Why is Declarative 3D important to Enterprise 3D

- Interactive 3D objects in HTML5 web pages
- Allows easy creation and sharing of 3D graphics using HTML
- Bridges the gap between graphics programmers and Web programmers

Declarative Scenegraph Part of HTML-document DOM Integration CSS/ Events



CAD/Computer aided Design Workflow



Scientific Visualization Workflow

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X3D is Evolving - X3Dv4

Always backward compatible

X3Dv4 in Development X3D Unified Object Model (X3DUOM)

X3Dv4 Native in all browsers

X3Dv4 Highlights

- Improve the search-ability of 3D models.
- 3D printing of models
- 3D scanning of objects, and toolchain workflow support for point clouds
- CAD interoperability includes model structure **complete metadata**.
- Volume visualization
- Annotation
- gITF inline Capabilities
- Archival publishing of cultural and natural heritage

Open-source implementations, <u>X3DOM</u> and <u>X_ITE</u>

Timeline - Dec 2019 - Feature set freeze Draft Specification in 2020 followed by ISO Ratification Available to members since 2018 in github https://github.com/Web3dConsortium Released public draft

Authors have the archival stability of a well-tested long-lasting specification to build upon © Web3D Consortium 2019

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Web3D is so... semantic (web)!

• Structural semantic info in 3D models, scene graphs...

 Geometry 	Textures	• etc.
Motion	Viewpoints	
• Color	 Lighting 	

• Examples: number of index values, curvature, velocity, color, Texture pattern, brightness.....

Ready for the machine-readable standards (SemWeb?)

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- More and more references for VR, AR, MR, Digital Twin...
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Table 1. Topological criteria for 3D R-tree structure

Reference to paper: <u>http://aetic.theiaer.org/archive/v2n4/p1.html</u>

Web3D 2011 ACM conference, Paris, France

A story of an initiative to extend the X3D Cadprofile adding BREP solid representation

An issue of semantic vs. structural expression Henry Boccon-Gibod Electricité de France, R&D Division mailto:henry.boccon-gibod@edf.fr

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https://web3d2011.web3d.org/p/WorkShop-CAD-Boccon-Gibod.pdf



What could we do with semantics for 3D contents? (the SemWeb-expert way)

- A semantic description of a 3D scene is an expression that can **answer to semantic reasoning and queries** about the scene
- Reasoning and queries may cover **geometrical**, **structural**, **presentational and behavioral** properties of 3D objects at the **3D-specific and domain-specific** levels of abstraction
 - Structural, e.g.,
 - How many polygons does a 3D model have? (3D-specific)
 - What are components of a virtual car? (domain-specific)
 - Presentational, e.g.,
 - Which objects in a scene use a common texture? (3D-specific)
 - Which objects in a scene are made of wood? (domain-specific)
 - Behavioral, e.g.,
 - What scripts describe the behavior of an object? (3D-specific)
 - What is the exercise performed by an avatar? (domain-specific)
- Different 3D- and domain-specific ontologies could be used together to describe 3D content, in particular through **mapping**, e.g., a virtual museum ontology mapped to a 3D ontology





Example

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Where is the texture file?

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SELECT ?skyColorListVal WHERE
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Which
RGB color
is the sky?
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How

many shapes ?



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What could do semantics for 3D contents for me? (the industrial-final-user way)

- Knowledge-based 3D modeling,
- Domain-oriented 3D content creation,
- Query-based 3D modeling and editing,
- Generating mappings,
- Discovering domain knowledge,
- Information retrieval,
- Validating 3D content,
- Transforming available 3D content to semantic 3D content,
- Rendering ontology-based 3D scenes



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ISO/TC 184/SC 4 Plenary Meeting 78 2019.NOV Marina del Rey (Los Angeles), USA N3412 Final Resolutions: Resolution "K"

Standards All about ISO Taking part

ISO

ICS > 75 > 75.020

ISO/TS 15926-3:2009

Industrial automation systems and integration — Integration of life-cycle data for process plants including oil and gas production facilities — Part 3: Reference data for geometry and topology

All about ISO Taking part Store

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ICS > 25 > 25.040 > 25.040.40

ISO 10303-42:2019

Industrial automation systems and integration — Product data representation and exchange — Part 42: Integrated generic resource: Geometric and topological representation

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ISO 16739-1:2018

Industry Foundation Classes (IFC) for data sharing in the construction and facility management industries — Part 1: Data schema

Resolution: "K"

Title: Establish PWI on ontology for geometry and topology WG 12

Introduction:

Meetings took place between WG12 (T1), WG3, JWG 16 at the SC 4 meetings in Chicago and Toulouse to consider the way in which geometry and topology can be handled with a semantic web environment. Many industrial applications are now being developed for this environment, and many of these require a geometry and topology capability. The PWI will produce a technical report. The report will include a study that takes a part of ISO 10303-42 and provides an equivalent representation in OWL. Aspects to be reported on include: the ability of OWL profiles to represent the same information with equal precision; the effort required to create the OWL representation; the capability of having geometry and topology ontology to provide a capability for shape and location by being imported into any industrial ontology; the capability of the ontology for the representation of large data sets. An annex will list existing ontologies for geometry and topology ontologies and review the state of the art. The capability of the ontology may be illustrated by a simple use case with example instances.

Objective:

Establish a PWI to create a Technical Report

Resolution:

SC 4 establishes a PWI to create a Technical Report on Ontology for geometry and topology.

The report is to be delivered in May 2020 for review at the next SC 4 meeting.

SC4 nominates Ben Urick (US) as project leader with appreciation to serve in this capacity and requests member bodies and liaisons to nominate experts to this preliminary work.

Interested by the semantic web3D?

Public mailing-list : semantics-public@web3d.org

The WG: <u>https://www.web3d.org/working-groups/x3d-semantic-web</u>

The deliverables: https://www.web3d.org/x3d/content/semantics/semantics.html



X3D Ontology for Semantic Web



The X3D Ontology for Semantic Web provides terms of reference for semantic query of X3D models.

Motivation | Availability | Design and Design Patterns | OWLDoc | Queries | References | Tools | TODO | Contact

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The X3D Semantic Web Working Group mission is to publish models to the Web using X3D in order to best gain Web interoperability and enable intelligent 3D applications, feature-based 3D model querying, and reasoning over 3D scenes.

Motivating insights:

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"The answer to your question is the response to the query." Jim Hendler and Dean Allemang

"Trying to use the Semantic Web without SPARQL is like trying to use a relational database without SQL." Tim Berners-Lee

"The proof of the pudding is in the eating." Wiktionary

Some Take-away from X3D semantic web WG chairs

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« Much exciting activity to apply Semantic Web standards is occurring at Web3D Consortium.

We are steadily unlocking the entire media domain of 3D models for semantic query.

Slidesets and papers are provided for their continuing scrutiny, all insight and participation is welcome. »

https://www.web3d.org/working-groups/x3d-semantic-web



Looking for European and international collaborations and projects on semantic web(3D)?

Please contact the team:

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Web3D International Mobilization



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- Annual Outreach activates engage communities of interest
- SIGGRAPH/ Eurogaphics Web3D Conference (25 years)
- Workshops & exhibits at SIGGRAPH
- VR Hackathons worldwide
- Showcases & regional meetings
- X3D and members appear regularly at: IEEE VR, Supercomputing, MMVR, IITSEC,
- ISO/IEC JTC 1/SC 24 and ISO/TC 184/SC 4 Working Groups



Web3D Resources

Membership:www.Web3D.org/joinWeb3D Standards:www.Web3D.org/standardsWork Groups:www.Web3d.org/working-groupsWorkshop:www.Web3d.org/Web3d-quickstartExamples:www.web3d.org/x3d/content/examples/Basic/Events:www.Web3D.org/events

Join and Participate

Participants always welcome

http://www.web3d.org/join

Suggestions are always welcome

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CFP in January 2020! Semantic web is a major topic

Join us at:

- Web3D 2020 June 24-26 Seoul, South Korea
- SIGGRAPH 2020 July 19-23 Washington D.C.

Thank You for Considering Web3D Standards!

We look forward to the chance to work together

Resources and contacts

- Web3D Website
 - http://www.web3d.org
- Nicholas Polys, President
 - npolys@vt.edu
- Anita Havele, Executive Director
 - anita.havele@web3d.org





Thank you for your attention!



The Web3D Vision

An immersive world in which everyone can **securely** access and **share** 3D data **when and where** they need it.

The Web3D Mission

To provide standards that empower efficient and secure 3D Graphics that is interoperable and archiveable.





X3D Profiles



X3D Node Set

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Profiles are X3D subsets

- Collection of X3D nodes for author's palette
- Interchange suitable for simple geometry conversion
- Interactive adds simple user interactivity (clicking etc.)
- Immersive matches VRML97, plus a bit more
- Full profile includes all nodes
- Components are collections of X3D nodes that perform similar operations, displays, or functions.

General Goal:

- A 3D visualization component for any runtime environment
- Reduced complexity and implementation effort

https://www.web3d.org/documents/specifications/19775-1/V3.3/Part01/nodeIndex.html

X3D Profile Relationships



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Family of ISO Standards

https://www.web3d.org/standards



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Fundamentals of X3D

Based on VRML, supports several APIs

- Modular components, Extensible, Scriptable
- Efficient and Scalable Open Standards
- Open source and royalty-fee ISO standard
- Quality Assurance tools for conformance
- Interoperable with other standards

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- Secure (Binary Encryption, Digital Signature, Compression)
- Platform Agnostic (All platforms all browsers)
- Stable that stands the test of time (Archiveable)





IEEE 3DBP WG Feature Needs table (X3D offers most of the feature requests)

Web3D Standardization Process

Volunteers and Members work together on Standards

Development

Web3D Working Groups:

X3D Medical Geospatial Mixed Reality Heritage Semantics

Design Printing & Scanning

Interoperability

SDO Partnerships:

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Adoption Process

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1. Identify Standard or Extension to existing standards

- Study Market Trends/Requirements
- Identify Consortium Members' Interest
- Identify if this requirement falls under an existing working group charter
- Form a new working group if this does not

2. Create Standard or Extension

- Follow Consortium's IP Policy, Ensure Open and Consensus based solution
- Identify at least two independent and interoperable
- Create conformance testing suites
- Announce member/public review of 30 days
- Review comments and incorporate or discard with cause.

Submit Standard or Extension for Board approval and Member vote
 Web3D Consortium Board of Directors review

Board determines if a Web3D Members vote is necessary

Start ISO certification process after final Board approval

• Complete standard or extension for submission

File Format



4. ISO Certification - Follows ISO policy for all standards

Tabulate Member vote results

Who is using X3D?



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X3D ISO Standard High-Level Features



Illustration of the relation between high-level features of X3D enabling constructing dynamic, interactive, 3D scenes; and the ability to load contents, or assets, from external sources including other X3D files.

The ability to include other X3D content is a part of the current ISO standard X3D v 3.3; the inclusion of gITF is planned for the upcoming X3D v4.

Inclusion of gITF, OBJ, STL is already an extension offered by X3D viewers such as X3DOM and Castle Game Engine.

Web Volume Rendering

HTML5 + WebGL + X3D

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- VICOMTech: Volumerc.org
- Online drag-and-drop service for DICOM:
 - To HTML5/WebGL/X3DOM
 - Mirror4All by VICOMTECH and Kshell



WWW and VR

- X3D: desktop, mobile, immersive VR/MR/AR
- Imaging
 - X3D Volume Rendering
 - TIFF stacks, DICOM, NRRD, PNG
 - Scripted automated conversions
- Molecular Visualization
- Immune Simulation
- Genomic alignment
- Polygons and volumes living together!
- VR and 3D printing !!!







WebVR

X3D and HTML5 files Uses the browser as the platform

Many headsets

Support X3D

Samsung Gear

Oculus











