

2D Drawing in FLTK, cont.

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See Scribble example
and FLTK ch5

Review: Drawing in FLTK

- Subclass an FLTK widget like `Fl_Box`
 - Override the `draw()` method
- Window coordinate system: pixel-based
- Fast shapes:
 - point, line, rect/rectf, loop/polygon, arc/pie
- Complex shapes: (`fl_begin_*` / `fl_end_*`)
 - points, line, loop, polygon
 - complex_polygon

Specifying the path

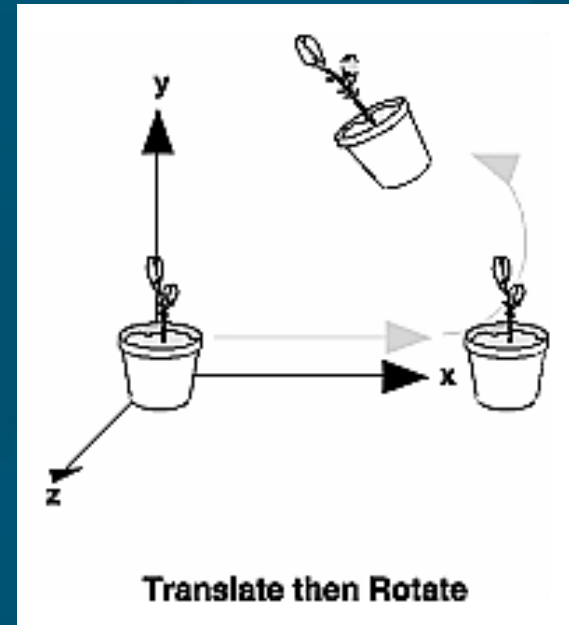
- Each of the **complex** objects (**points**, **line**, **loop**, **polygon**, **complex_polygon**) takes a **path** in between its begin and end. A path may have:
 - **Vertices**: `fl_vertex(float x, float y)`
 - Smooth “Bezier” **curves**:
 - `fl_curve(x, y, x1, y1, x2, y2, x3, y3)`
 - Interpolates through (x,y) and (x3,y3)
 - Other two are control points
 - Circular **arc**: `fl_arc(x, y, r, a1, a2)`
 - Complete **circle**: `fl_circle(x, y, r)`

Transformation matrix

- The complex drawing shapes use a **transform matrix** to determine where they are drawn
- **Coordinate** system need not be tied to screen **pixels**
- e.g., create object with dimensions **1.0x1.0**, and have it **scale** to fill the widget
- Matrix **stack**: a way to **save/restore** current transform matrix
 - `fl_push_matrix();` // save old matrix
 - `fl_pop_matrix();` // restore old matrix

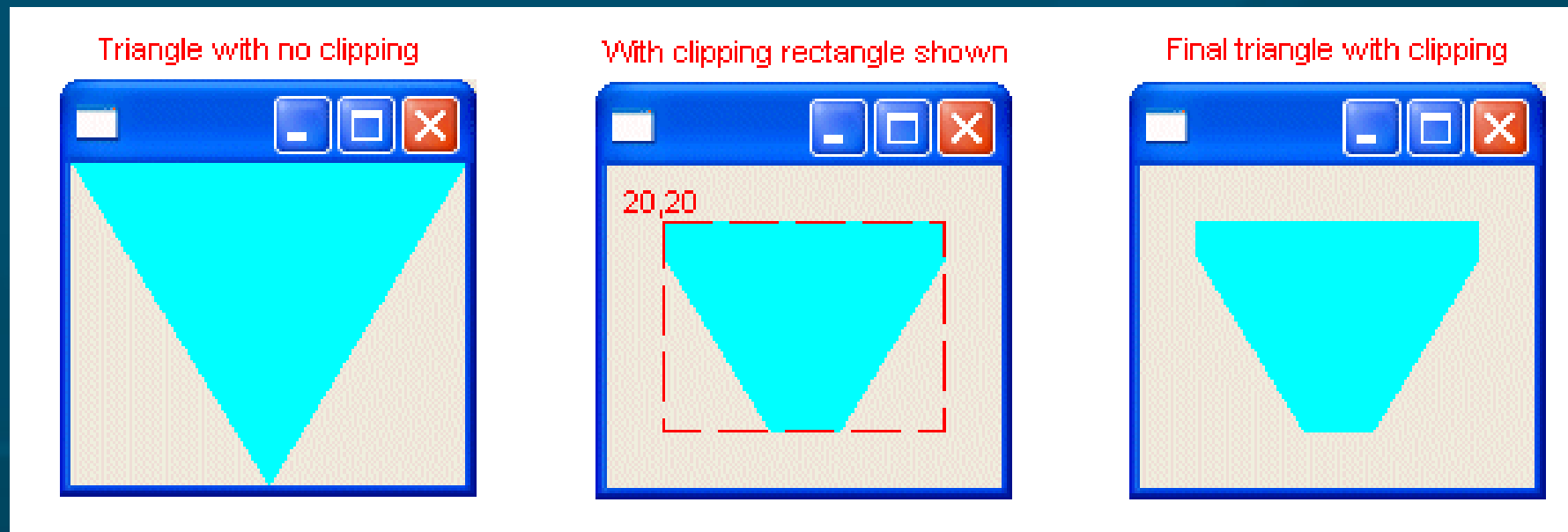
Combining transformations

- ◆ `fl_scale(float x, y=1);`
- ◆ `fl_translate(float x, y);`
- ◆ `fl_rotate(float degrees);`
- **Multiplies** another transformation into the current **transform matrix**
- Operations are done in **reverse** order:
 - ◆ `fl_rotate(30.);`
 - ◆ `fl_translate(100., 0.);`
 - ◆ `fl_begin_polygon();`
 - **Translate** is done first, then **rotate!**



Clipping

- When you draw, only the **portion** within the current **clip** is actually rendered
- Usually you can draw anywhere in the **window**
- Use the clip to **restrict** drawing to only a portion of the window



FLTK clipping commands

- FLTK provides a **clip stack**: push/pop regions
- `fl_push_clip(x, y, w, h)`
 - **Intersects** current clip with the given rectangle and **pushes** it onto the stack
- `fl_pop_clip()`
 - **Restore** previous clip
 - Every `fl_push_clip()` must have a corresponding `fl_pop_clip()`
 - ◆ `fl_push_clip(50, 50, 100, 200);`
 - ◆ `// draw stuff`
 - ◆ `fl_pop_clip();`

Drawing images

- Two ways of drawing an **image** using FLTK:
- **Direct drawing**: store image as an **array** of unsigned chars (bytes), uncompressed
 - **RGB**: e.g., a 100x200 pixel image is stored as an array of **60000** bytes
 - Faster if image **changes** often
- Or create an **Fl_Image** object
 - Faster for static: **cached** on display server
 - Functions to read **JPG**, **PNG**, etc. from file

Direct image drawing

- Do `Fl::visual(FL_RGB)`; in `main()`, before `show()`ing any window
- Create your image as a flat **array** of `uchars`
 - **size** is `width*height*3` for **RGB** image
- `fl_draw_image(img, x, y, w, h)`
 - `img` points to the **image** data
 - This is also **overloaded** so `img` may point to a function **callback** you write, which generates the image one line at a time

Using Fl_Image

- An **Fl_Image** object may be cached, reused several times easily, used as button icon, etc.
 - Use **.data()** to get at the pixel data
- Fl_Image is the **superclass**, has 3 subclasses:
 - **Fl_Bitmap** (black and white)
 - **Fl_Pixmap** (colour-mapped)
 - ◆ Each **pixel** of image has an **index** into the colourmap
 - **Fl_RGB_Image** (grayscale, **RGB** colour, with optional alpha **transparency**)
 - ◆ check: **fl_can_do_alpha_blending()**

Reading common image format

- Fl_Image also has subclasses whose constructors can **load** an image from **file**, according to its image file **format**:
 - GIF, JPEG, PNG, PNM, XBM, XPM
 - ◆ `#include <FL/Fl_JPEG_Image.H>`
 - ◆ `Fl_JPEG_Image img("myface.jpg");`
 - Need to link with `-lfltk_images`
 - See Erco's Fl_JPEG_Image example

Drawing an Fl_Image

- Methods: `.copy()` and `.copy(w, h)`
 - `copy` the image, optionally `resizing` it
- `.draw(x, y, w, h, ox=0, oy=0)`
 - `Draws` the image to the rectangle `(x,y,w,h)` in the window
 - Optional `(ox,oy)` specify where to `start` reading from the image:
`source rectangle` is `(ox,oy,w,h)`