

Graphical Programming (1)

- programs to process and manipulate graphical objects and data
- early standards: PHIGS, GKS
- 2D, 3D graphics libraries
- level of abstraction
 - low-level API: OpenGL
 - scene graph API: Java3D

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Graphical Programming (2)

- X-Windows
 - X-protocol, Xlib, window manager
- OSF/Motif
 - widgets, gadgets, window manager
- MS-Windows
- RenderMan
- OpenGL
- Direct3D

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Graphical Programming (3)

- OpenInventor, VRML, X3D
 - scene graph oriented
 - engines, sensors, manipulators
- IRIS Performer
- Java3D

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OpenGL / Windows System

What is OpenGL?

- OpenGL is a hardware-independent interface to the graphics hardware

OpenGL does not provide rendering context management functions or means to manage user input

→ Interface between OS and OpenGL needed:

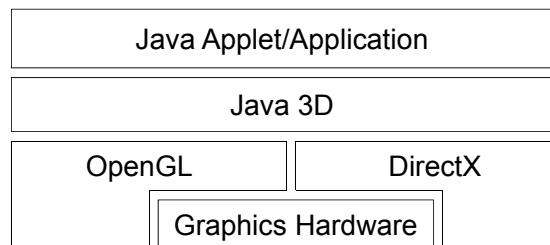
- WGL / Microsoft Windows
- GLX / UNIX's X-Windows (direct and indirect rendering)
- GLUT / OS independent

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Java3D



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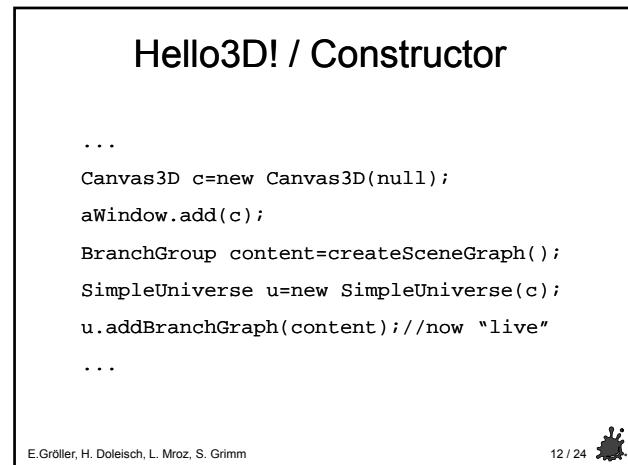
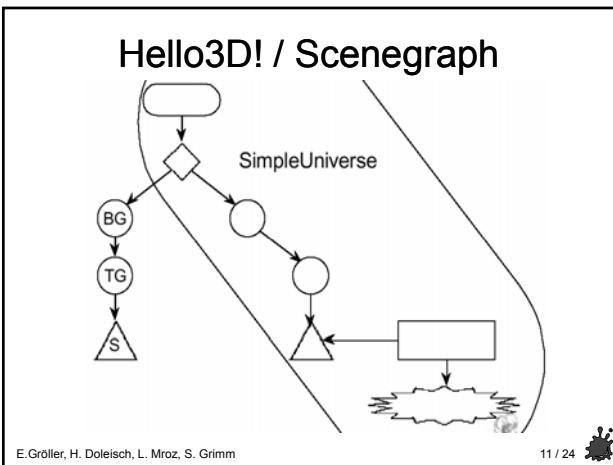
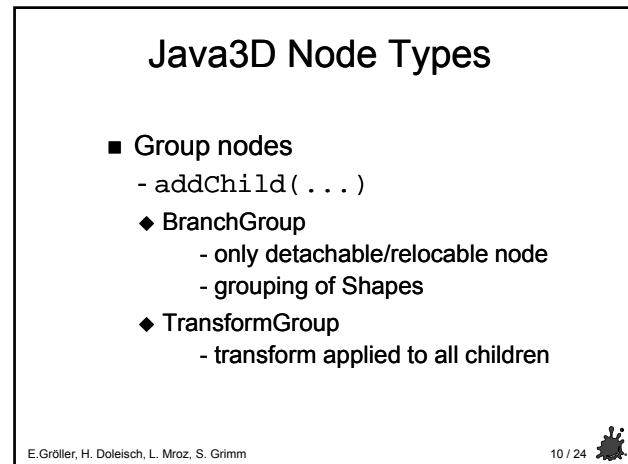
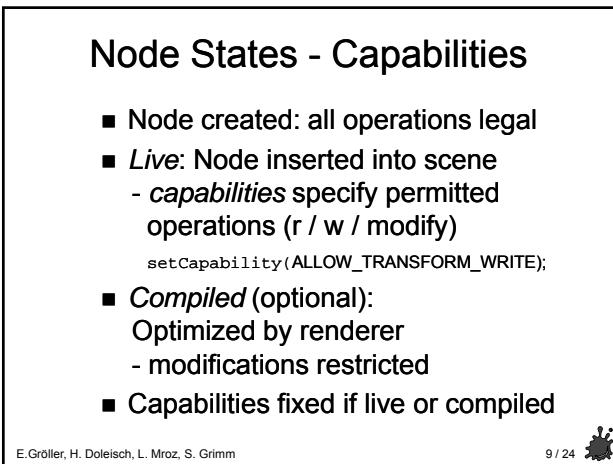
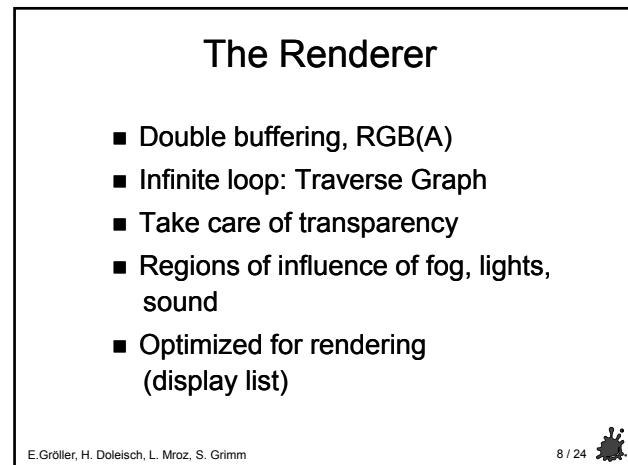
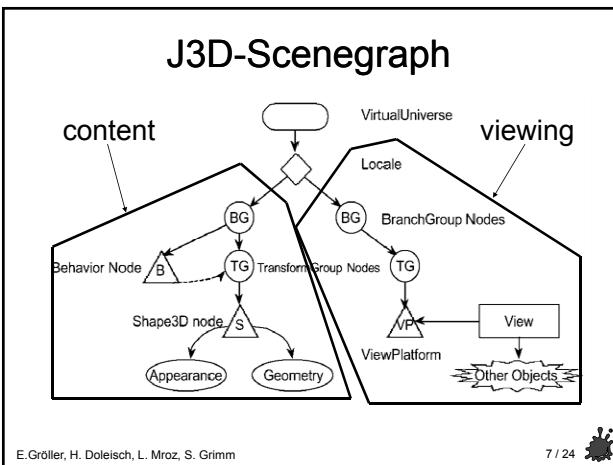
Scenegraph

- Hierarchical structure
- Corresponds to logical structure of the scene
- Easy design and manipulation of complex scenes

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Hello3D! Content

```
Public BranchGroup createSceneGraph(){
    BranchGroup objRoot=new BranchGroup();
    Transform3D spin=new Transform3D();
    Transform3D tmpspin=new Transform3D();
    spin.rotX(Math.PI/4.0d);
    tmpspin.rotY(Math.PI/5.0d);
    spin.mul(tmpspin);
    TransformGroup objTrans=new
        TransformGroup(spin);
    objRoot.addChild(objTrans);
    objTrans.addChild(new ColorCube());
    return objRoot();
}
```

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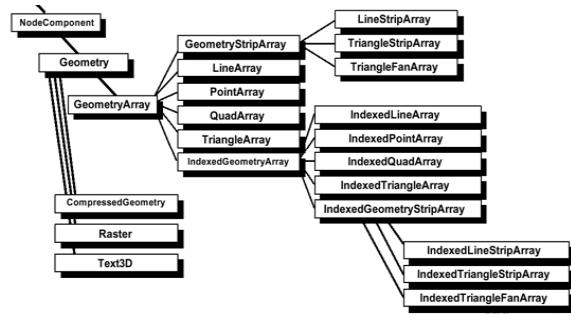
Java3D Node Types

- **Shape3D**
 - defines object within the scene
 - Contains:
 - ◆ **Geometry**
 - polygon related information
 - ◆ **Attributes**
 - material definition
 - rendering mode (wireframe, ...)

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Geometry Nodes



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Geometry Nodes

Geometry definition:

- coordinates
- optional: normals
- optional: RGB(A) color
- optional: texture coord. (u/v[/w])
- for indexed types: indices

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Helper Classes

- `com.sun.j3d.utils.*`
 - `SimpleUniverse`:
fast viewing model setup
 - Mouse-> Transform mapping
for interactions
 - Simple geometrical Objects
(cube, ...)

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Helper Classes

- `javax.vecmath.*`
 - Tuple/Point/Vector 2/3/4D d/float
with corresponding operations
 - Matrix 3/4D d/float
 - Quaternion classes
- `javax.media.j3d.Transform3D`
 - 4D matrix + helper func. for CG:
orth/persp. Projection,
scale, rotate, translate, ...

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Appearance

- Defines attributes for rendering geometry of an object
- polygon attributes: pts/wirefr./fill
 - culling
 - rendering attrib.: z-buff., α -blend.
 - transp./color (if not per vertex)
 - material (reflection coefficients)
 - texture images

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Lighting

- Light source nodes require Bounds delimiting the area of influence
- Ambient
 - Directional (infinitely distant)
 - PointLight (spot light)

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Behaviors

“Events” for the scenegraph

- Action executed if criteria met:
 - time triggered, kbd & mouse events, picking of objects, collision, frames elapsed
- Boolean combination of criteria
- Bounded area of relevance
- `processStimulus()`

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Behaviors

- Influence transform. / geometry
- Examples:
 - Mouse controlled navigation
 - Interpolator: time->value
 - ProximitySensor
 - Collision reaction
 - Picking: Click -> list of Shape3Ds below mouse

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Viewing Model

- Supports multiple Canvas3D -> stereo rendering, (Cave!)
- Support for tracking.
- Detailed description of viewer's eyes/ears configuration

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Java3D - Further Material

Java 3D API specification documentation & tutorial:

<https://java3d.dev.java.net/>

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