X3D Graphics for Web Authors

X3D-Edit Update

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Motivation

Teach X3D to anyone who can author HTML

Unlock all of the great work by Web3D partners

Learn by doing, help further X3D progress

X3D Showcase DVD

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- Viewers
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Sourceforge version control for easy updating

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X3D Examples Archives

X3D for Web Authors 246 models

- Textbook on how to design and build X3D scenes

Basic 645 models

- Diverse scenes illustrating various X3D capabilities

Conformance NIST 732 models

- Strictly defined test examples for correct operation

VRML 2.0 Sourcebook 269 models

- Textbook on VRML97, examples converted to X3D

Savage 1177 models

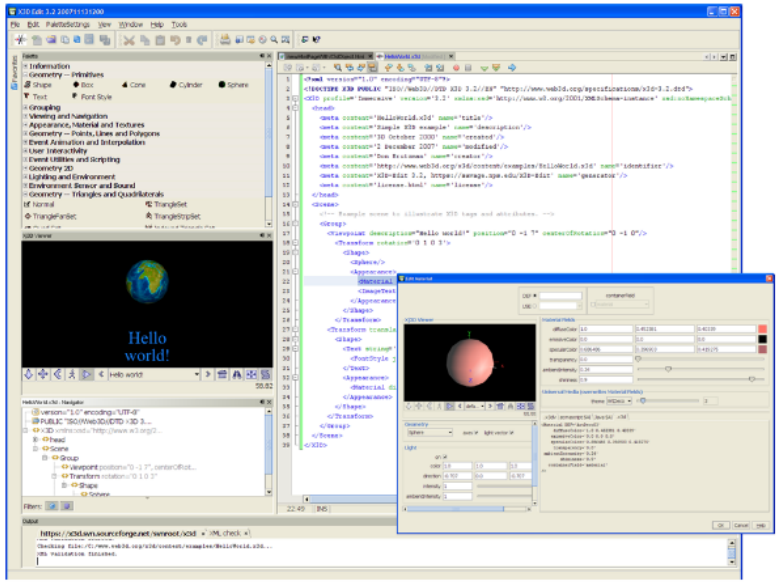
- Open-source military models and tools

over 3000 models available

X3D-Edit Authoring Tool for Extensible 3D (X3D) Graphics

New

X3D-Edit is an Extensible 3D (X3D) Graphics authoring tool for simple error-free editing, authoring and validation of X3D scenes.

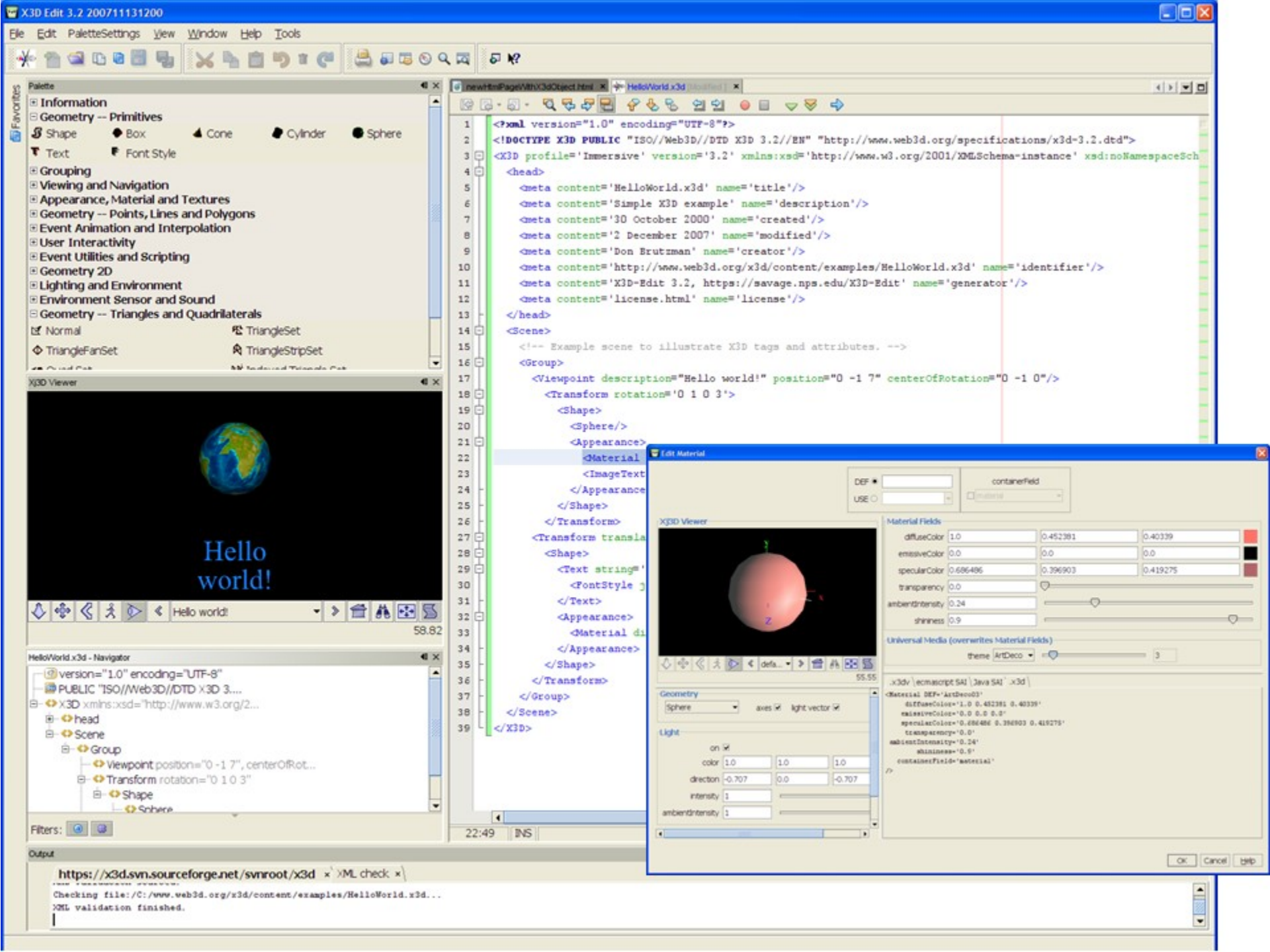


Overview

The X3D-Edit 3.2 Authoring Tool for Extensible 3D (X3D) Graphics supports the creation, checking, display and publication of X3D scenes. It is written in open-source Java and XML using the Netbeans 6.7 platform, making it suitable both as a standalone application and as a plugin module for the Netbeans integrated development environment (IDE).

X3D-Edit features include direct editing of X3D scenes using the XML (.x3d) encoding, embedded visualization of scenes using the Xj3D viewer, XML validation using X3D DTD grammars, X3D Schema grammars and X3D Schematron rules, drag-and-drop palette for X3D nodes, popup panels for node editing, and extensive help resources. Further features include ClassicVRML and X3D compressed binary encoding support, encryption and digital-signature authentication using XML Security standards, and additional X3D scene authoring support.

X3D-Edit 3.2 is stable and available for public use. Current capabilities are summarized in the X3D-Edit Update presentation.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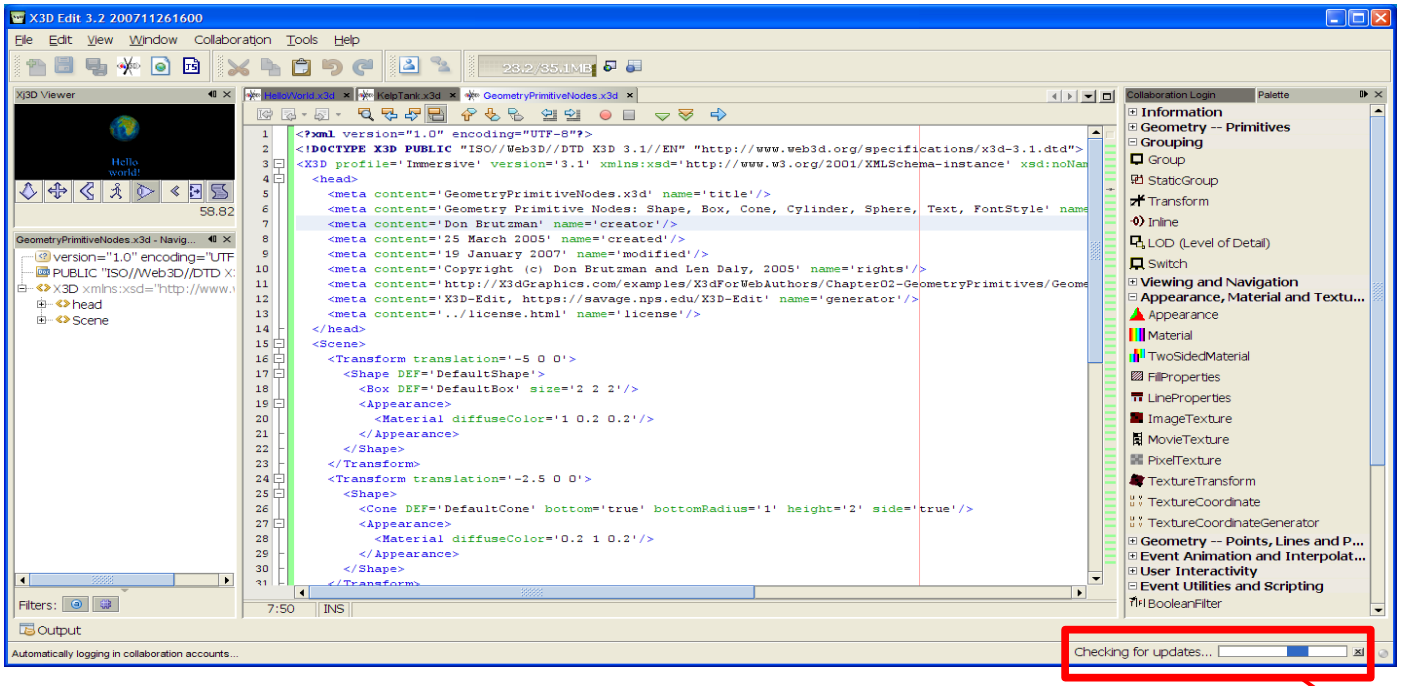
X3D-Edit updates

Icon in lower-left corner of screen indicates when updates are available for automatic installation



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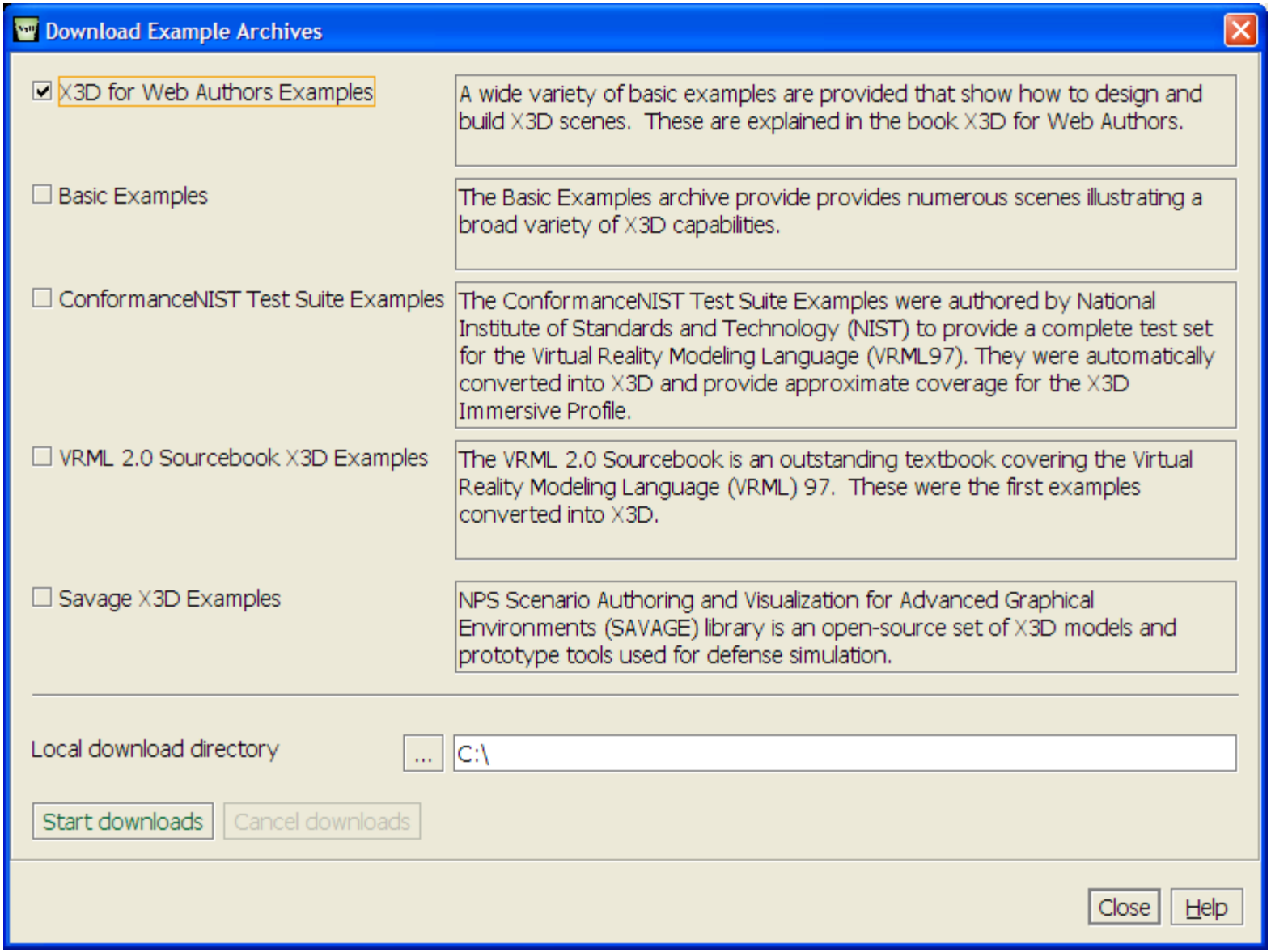
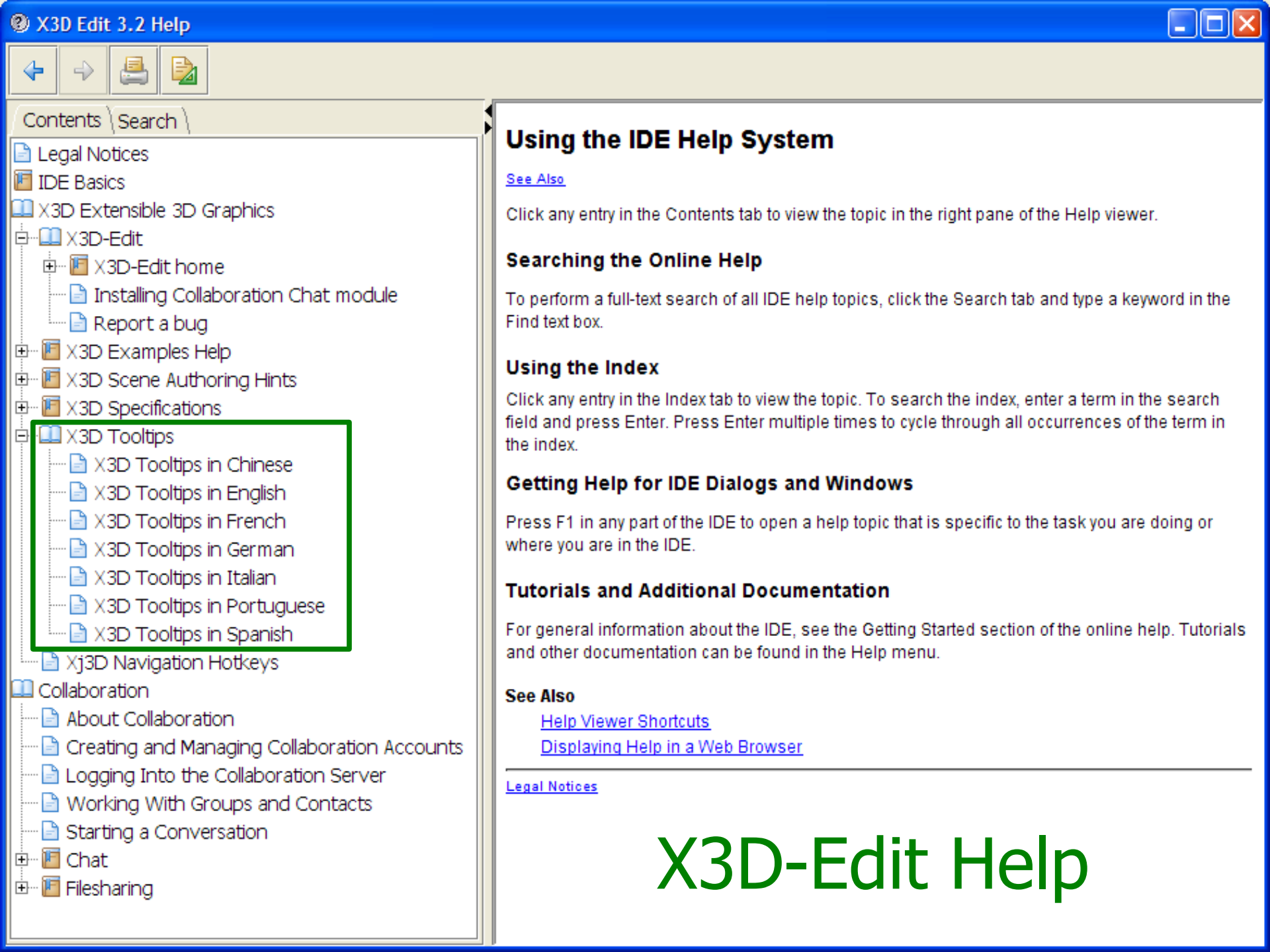
X3D Examples download panel, X3D-Edit

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To perform a full-text search of all IDE help topics, click the Search tab and type a keyword in the Find text box.
Using the Index
Click any entry in the Index tab to view the topic. To search the index, enter a term in the search field and press Enter. Press Enter multiple times to cycle through all occurrences of the term in the index.
Getting Help for IDE Dialogs and Windows
Press F1 in any part of the IDE to open a help topic that is specific to the task you are doing or where you are in the IDE.
Tutorials and Additional Documentation
For general information about the IDE, see the Getting Started section of the online help. Tutorials and other documentation can be found in the Help menu.
See Also
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Displaying Help in a Web Browser
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X3D-Edit Help

Viewing alternatives for X3D

Default built-in viewer is open-source Xj3D

- High performance, implemented using Java OpenGL

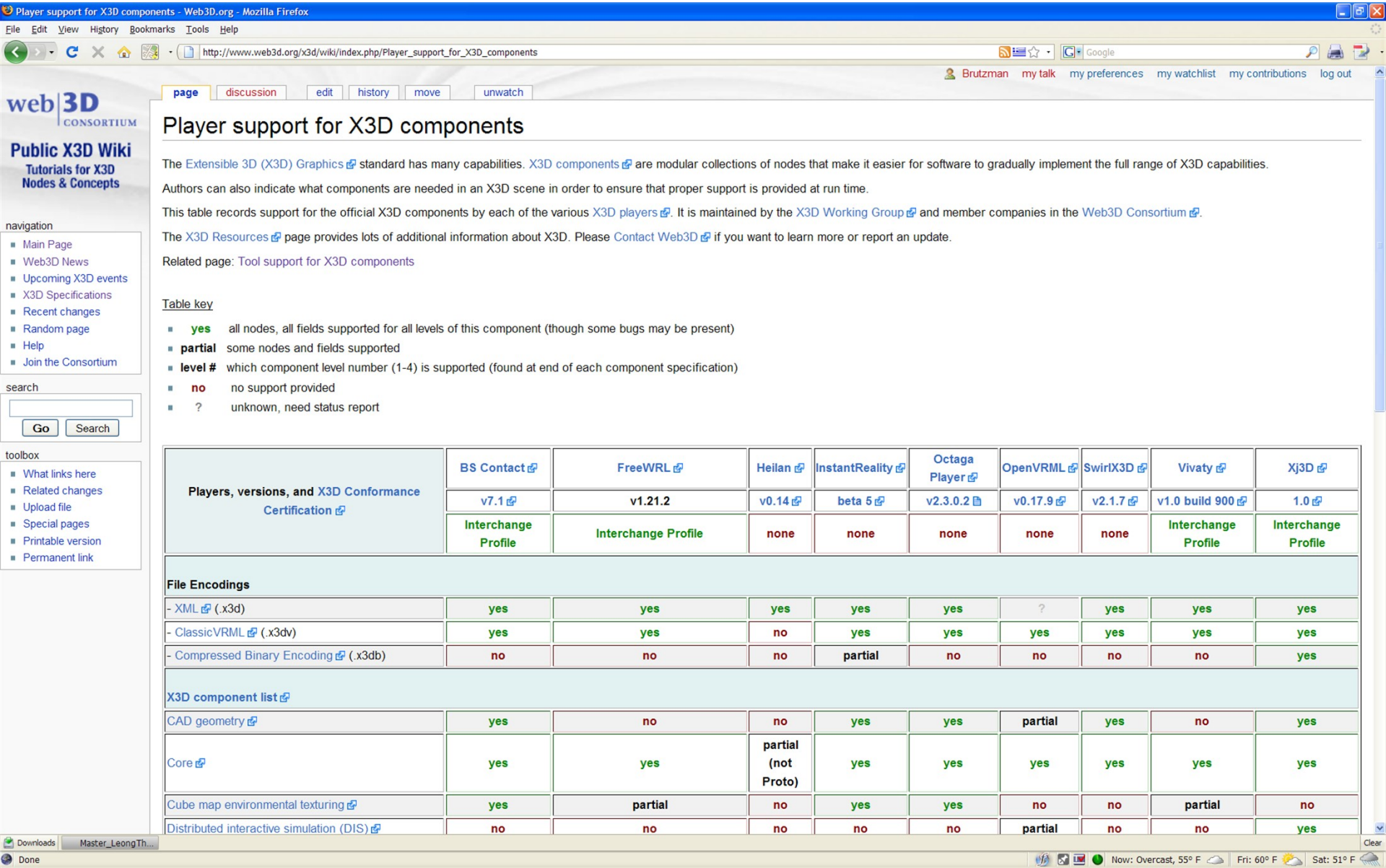
Can launch current scene into web browser

- Displays using any of your installed plugins
- "Launch all viewers" simplifies comparison testing

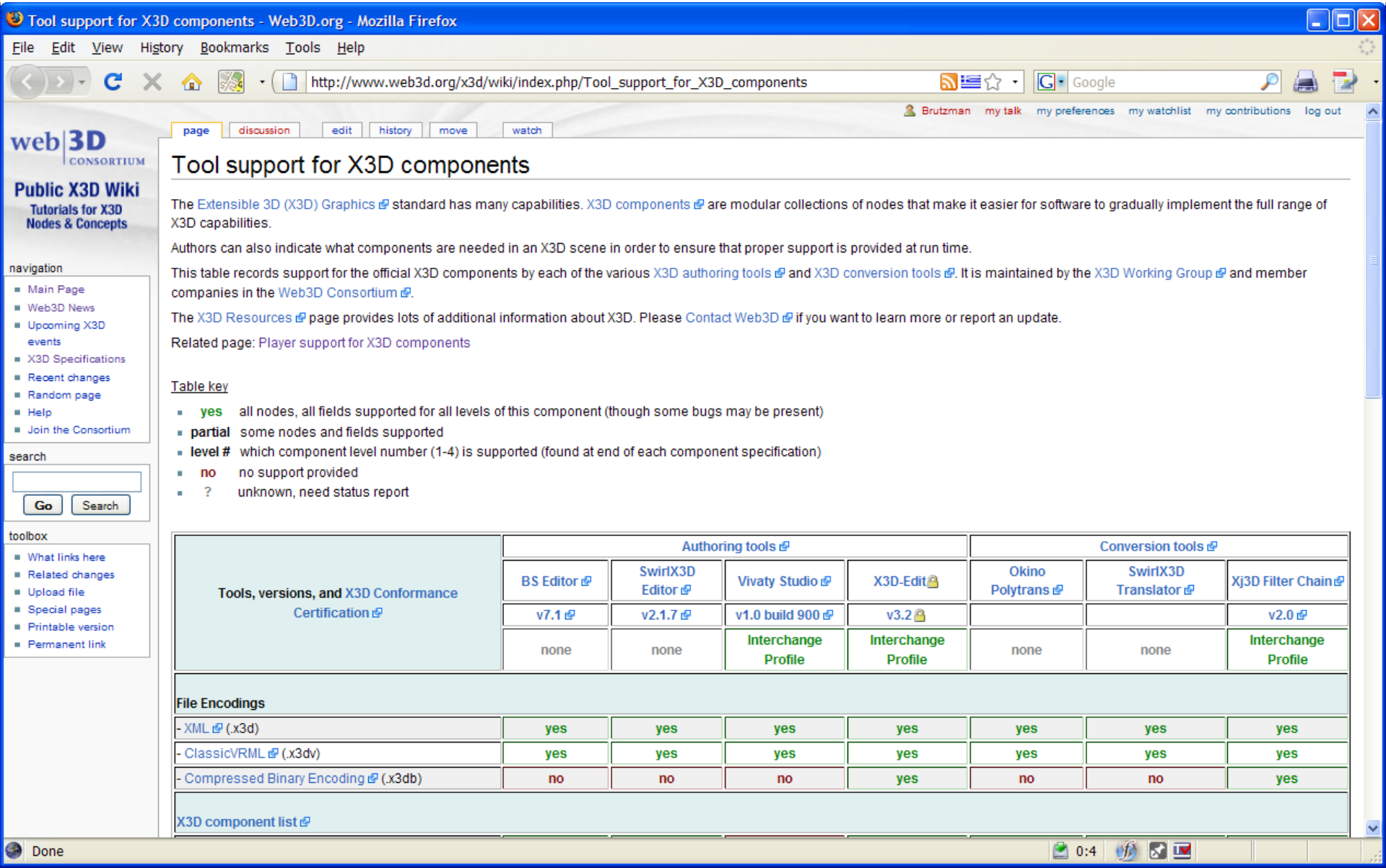
Can also launch into standalone applications

- Configuration panel simplifies download, install

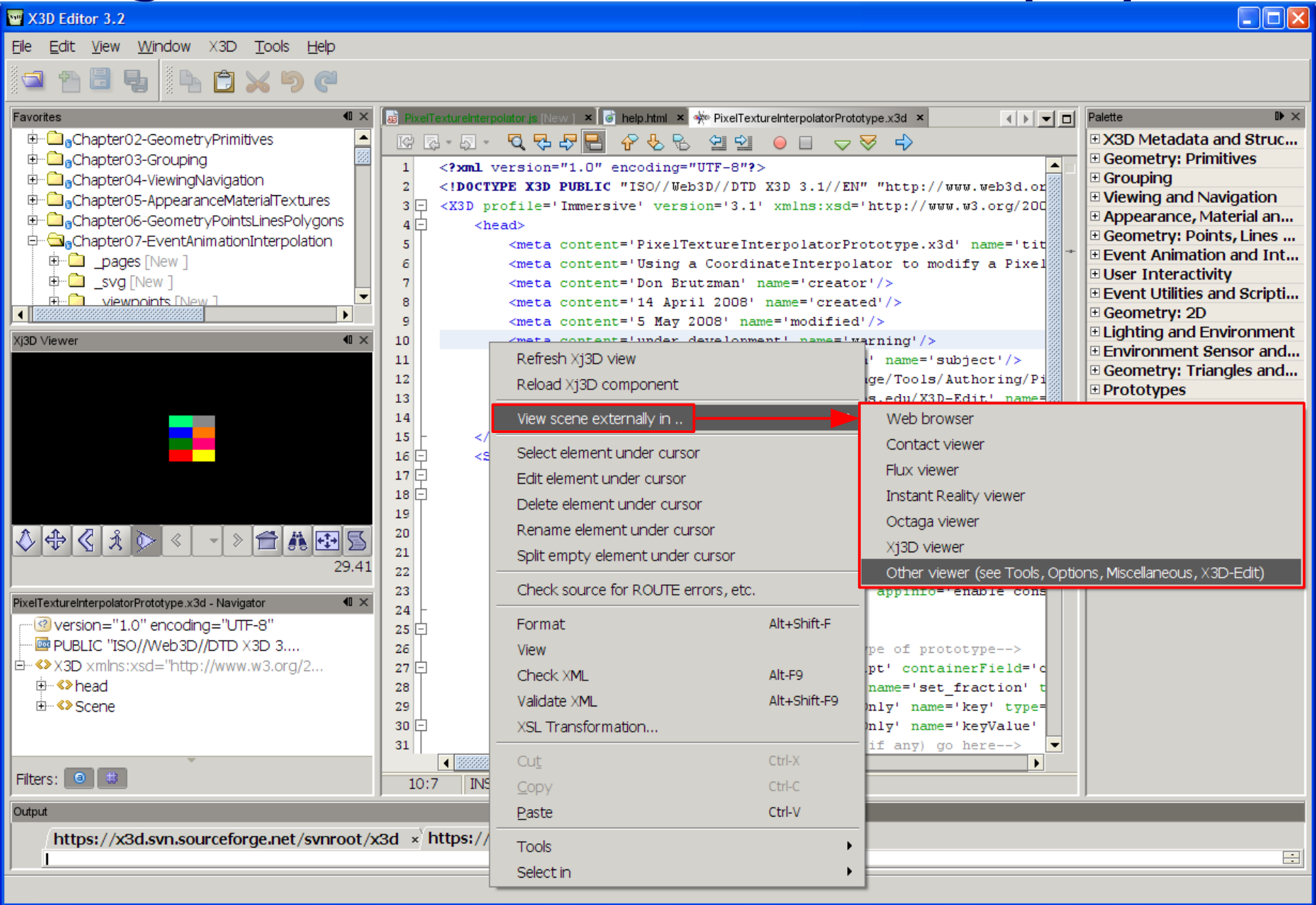
Player support for X3D components



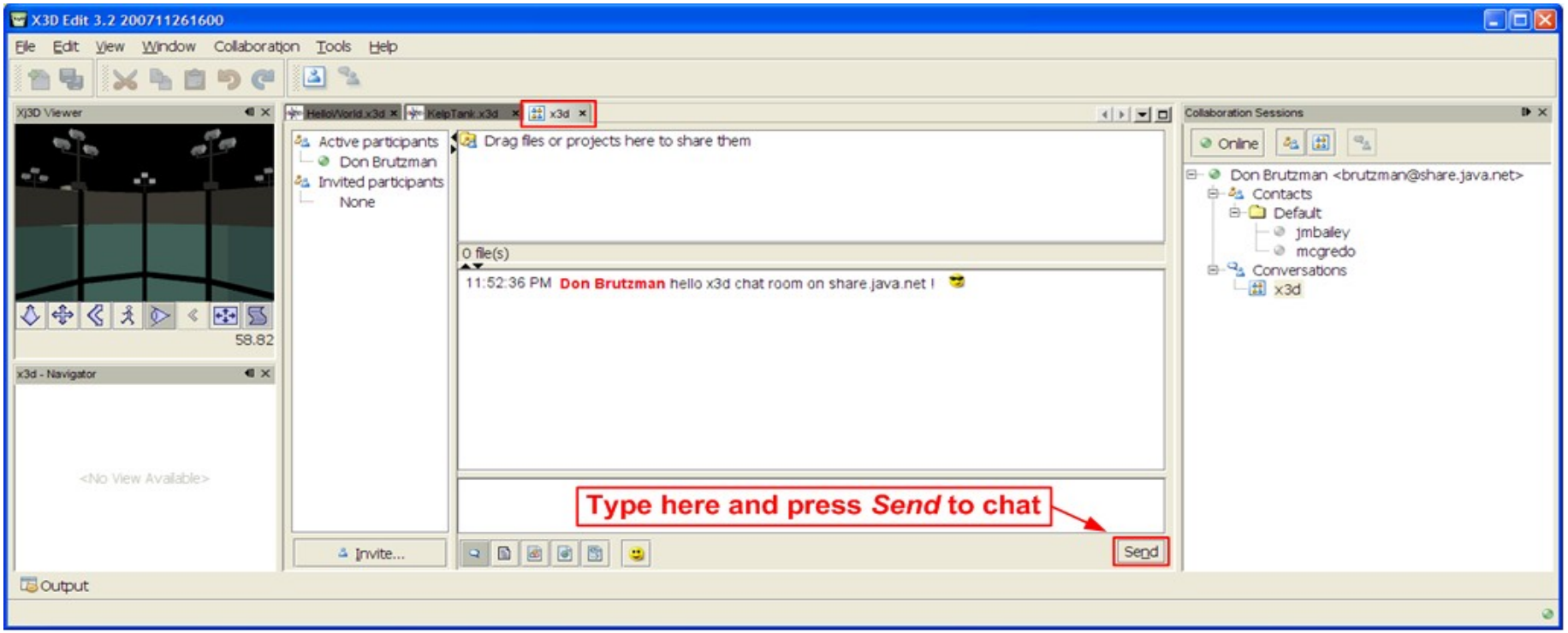
Tool support for X3D components



Right-click to launch external players



X3D-Edit collaboration chat



XMPP JID for the chat channel is xmpp://x3d@muc.share.java.net

Subscription directions are provided on the installation page

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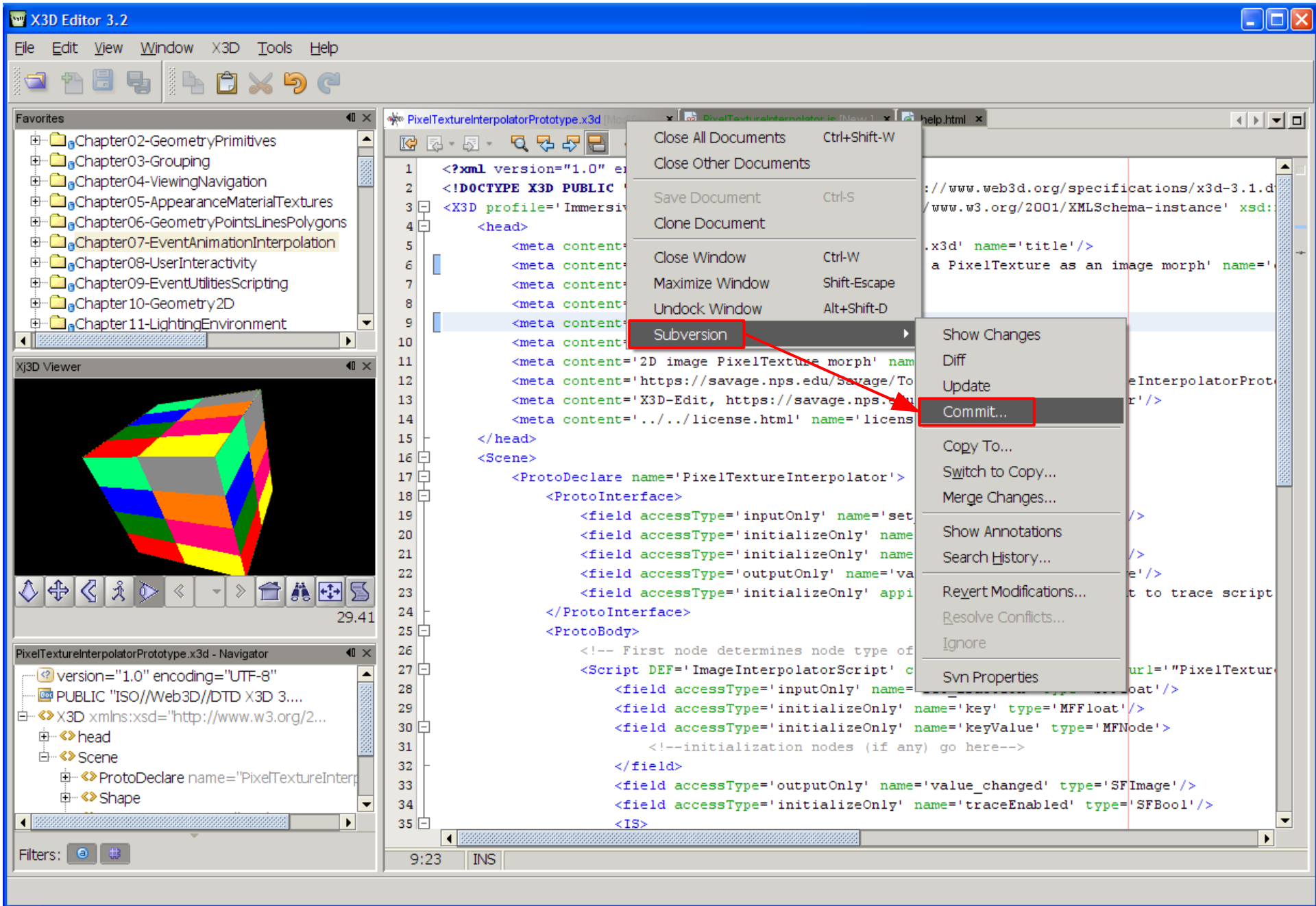
Version control support included



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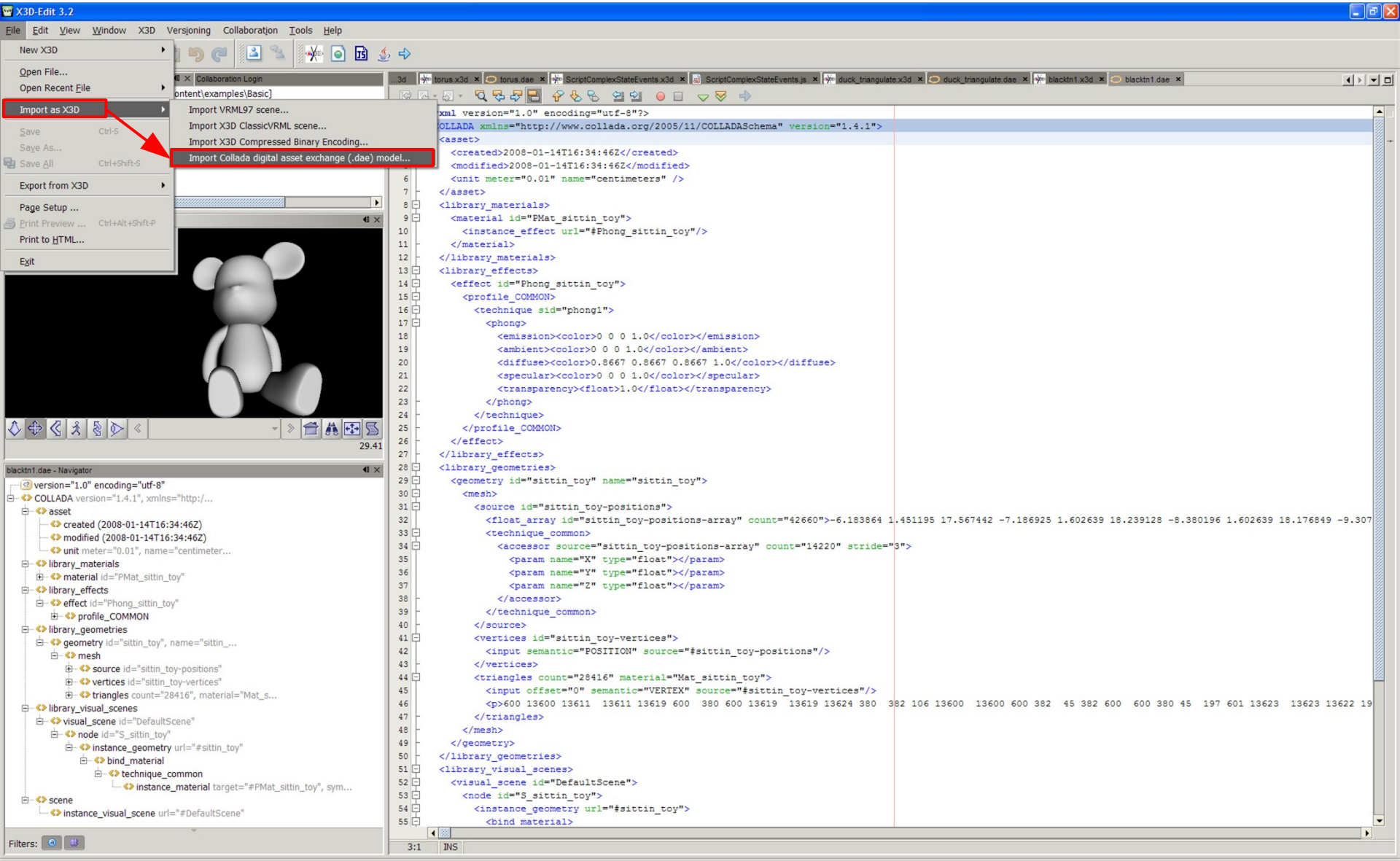

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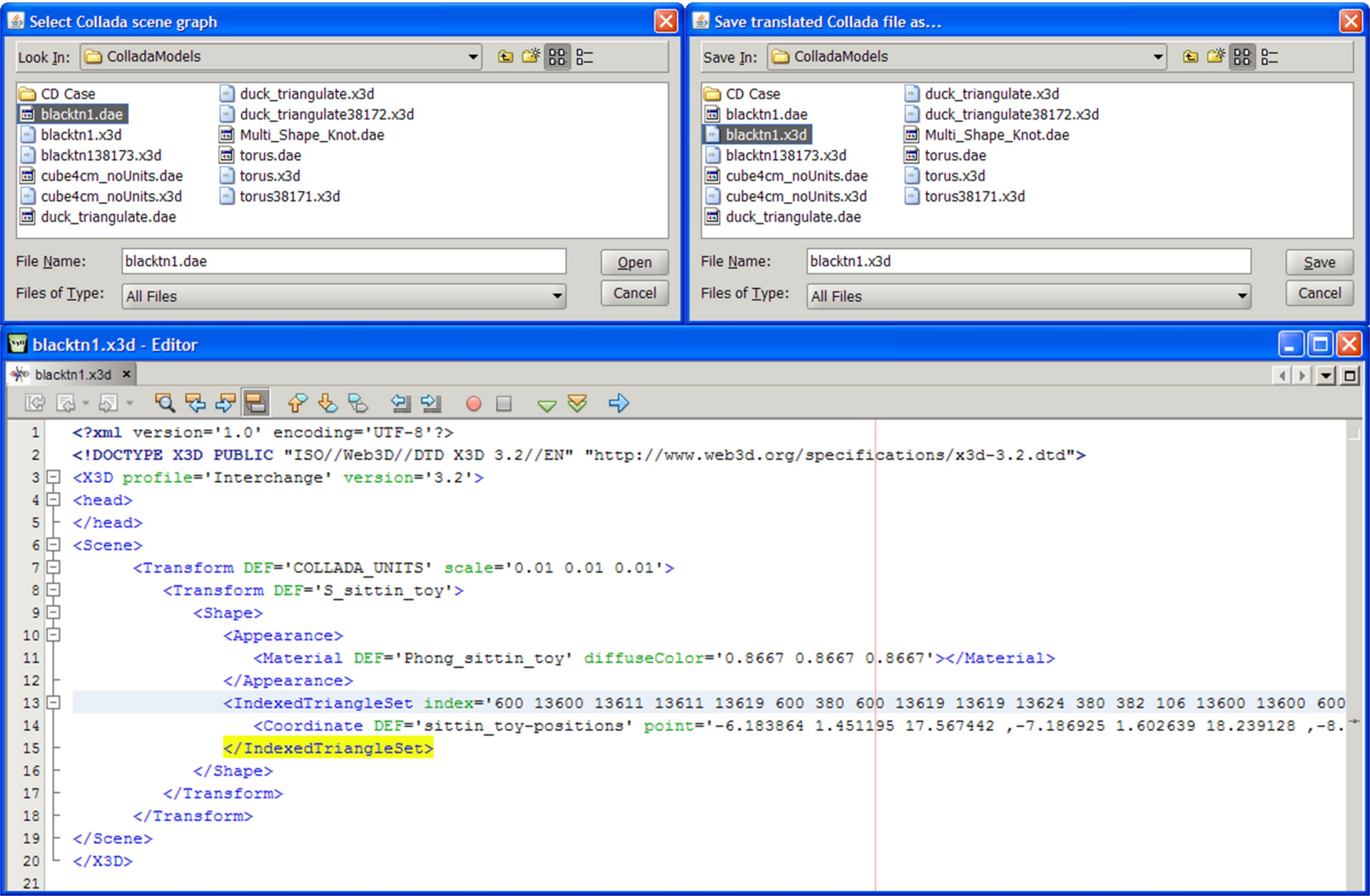


Distributed Interactive Simulation (DIS) Protocol

Long-running IEEE protocol used in military modeling + simulation applications

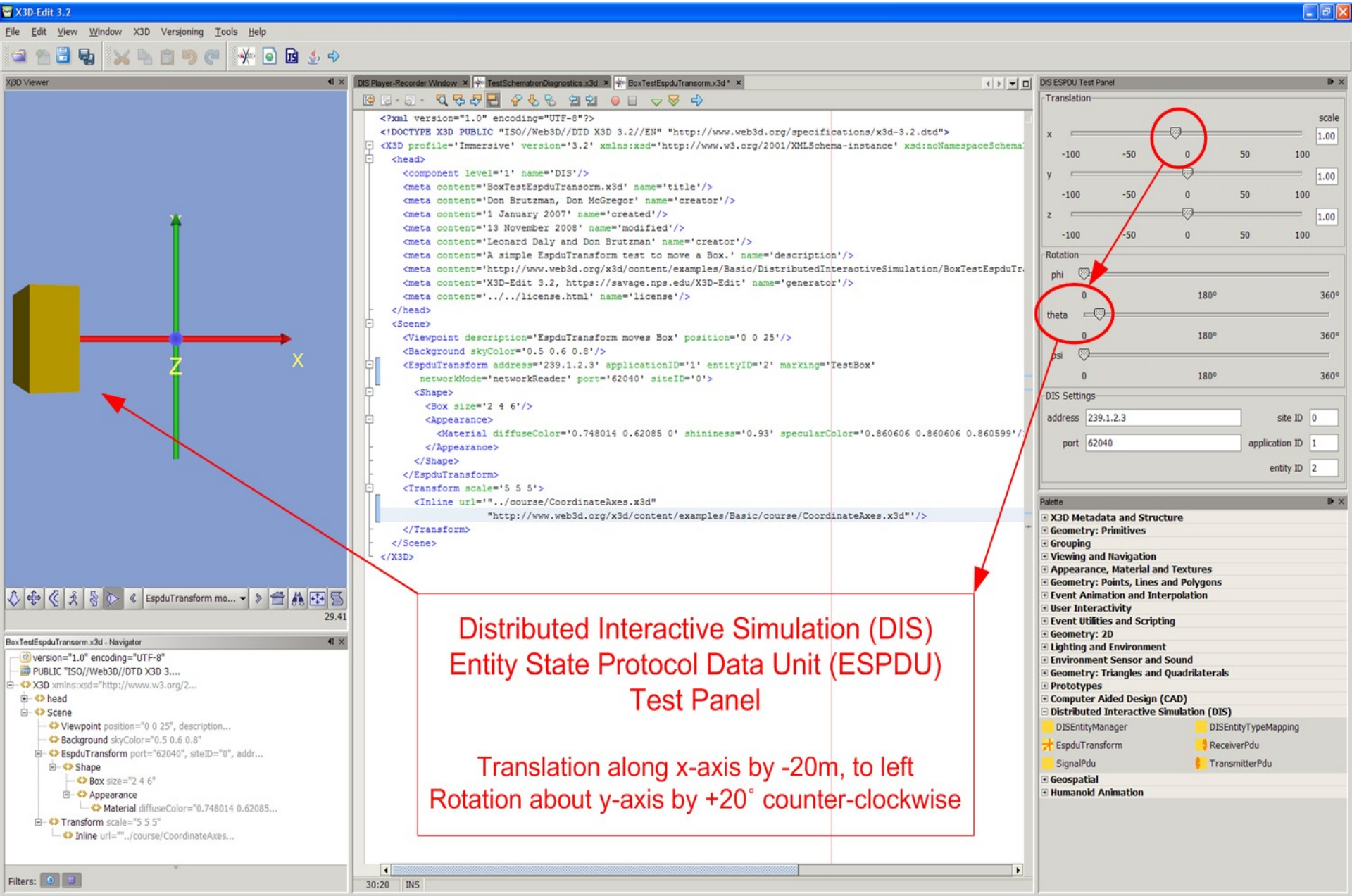
OpenDIS: open source implementations

- Java, C++, C#, Objective C
- Also DIS-XML that runs under XMPP jabber chat
- Available at Sourceforge http://sourceforge.net/projects/open-dis

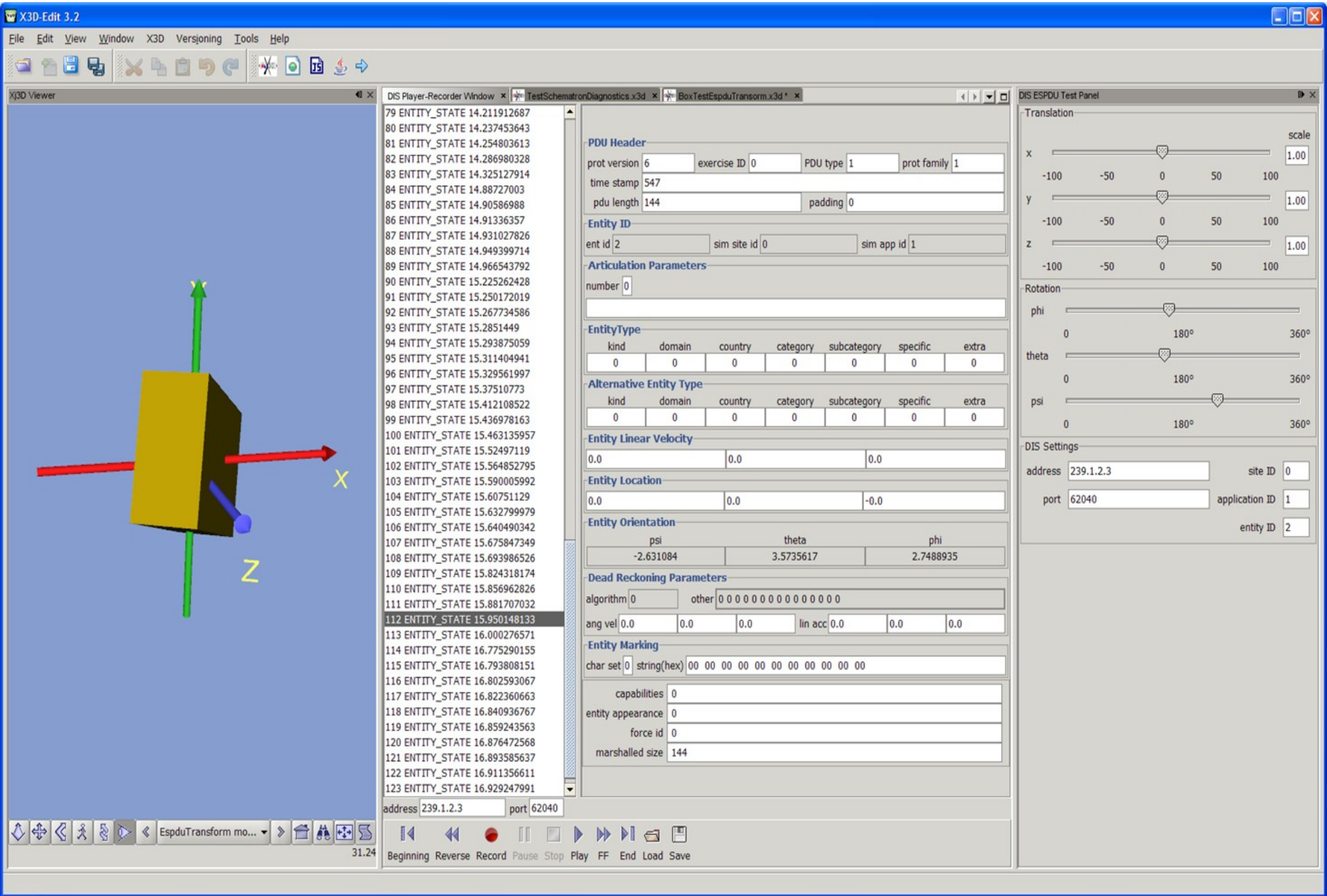
Integrate network test environment into X3D-Edit

- Multiple panels completed for record/playback/test
- Goal: aid development, testing of new protocols

DIS Networking Test Panel

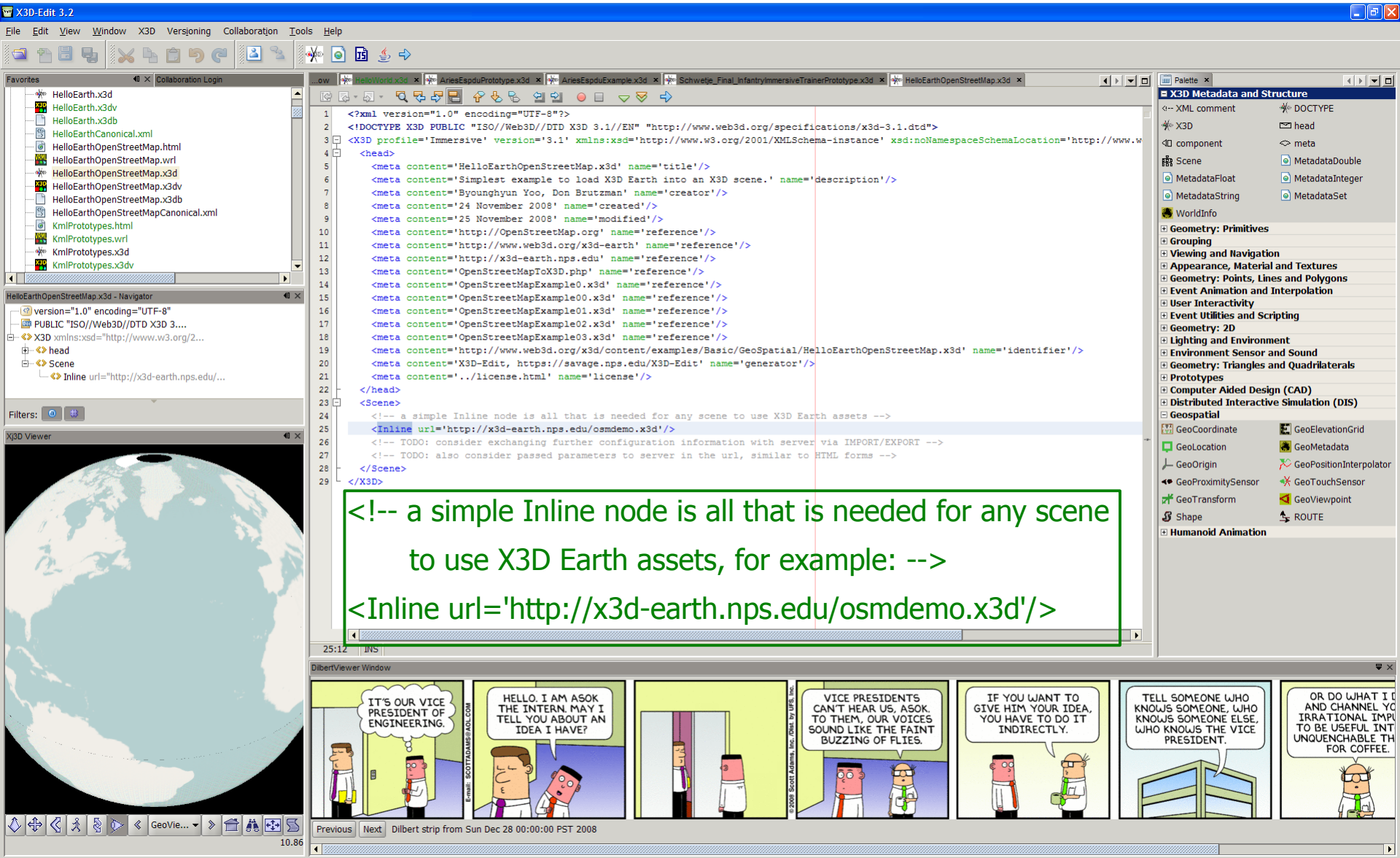


DIS Networking Player-Recorder Panel



X3D Earth, Geospatial Component

Editing and authoring support provided



Humanoid Animation (H-Anim)

ISO standard for human skeletons, skin

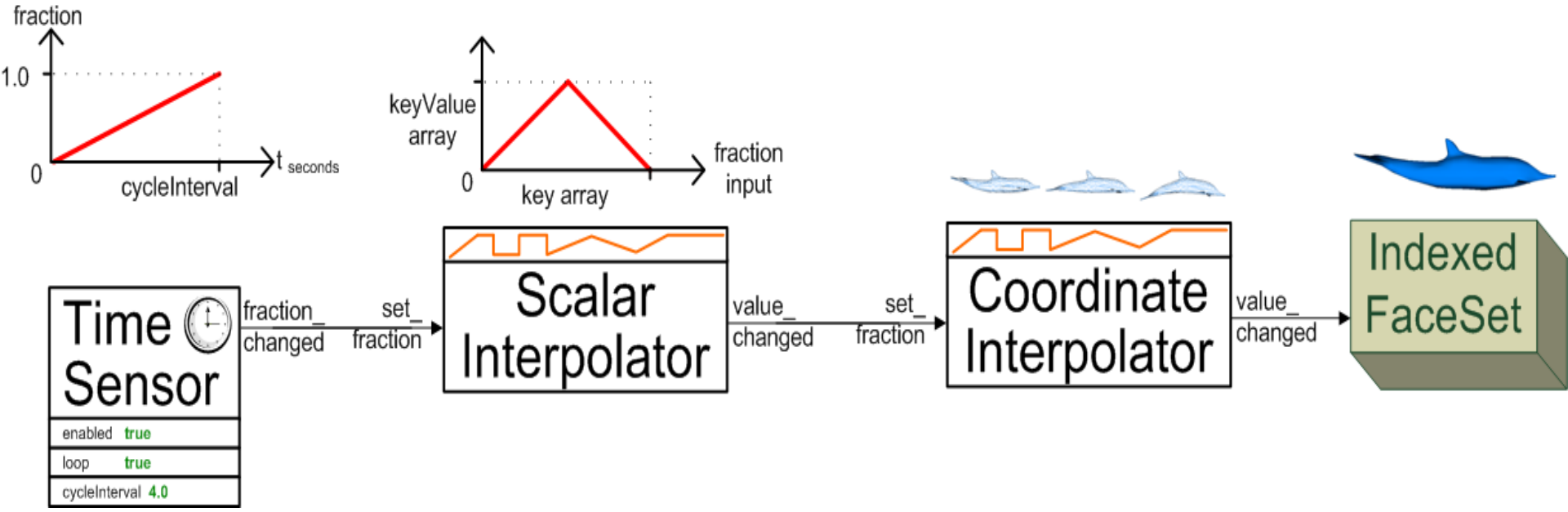
- Supported in X3D-Edit, other tools

Examining support for non-humanoid skeletons

NPS working on composable, reusable behaviors

- From motion capture (Vicon Peak system)?
- From different motion formats?
- More work needed, H-Anim group seems stalled...

Tool and example support



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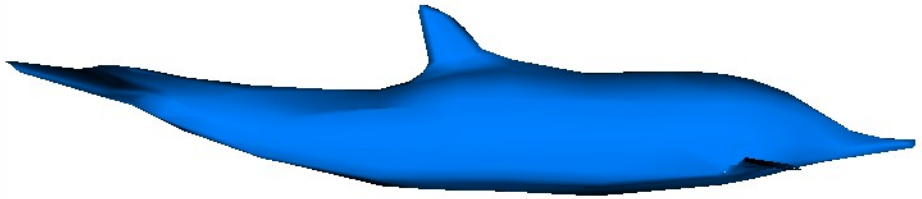
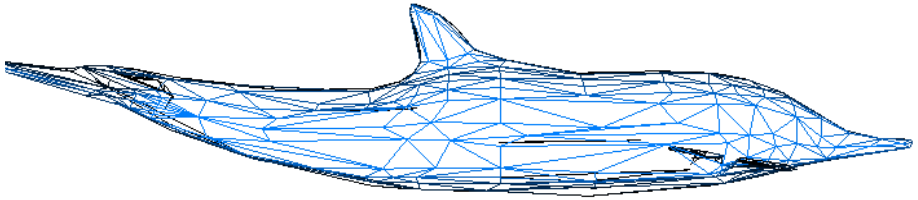
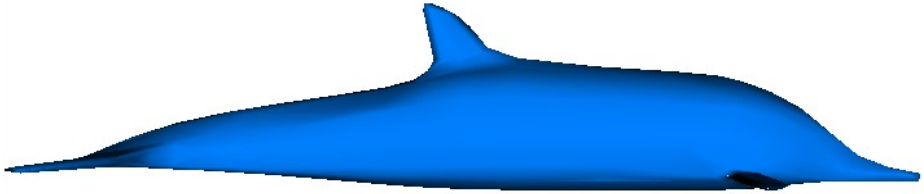
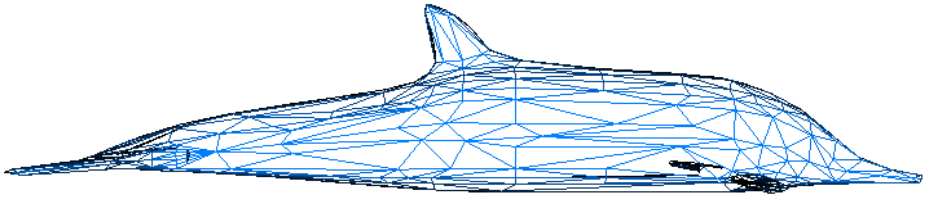
Creating a morphable dolphin

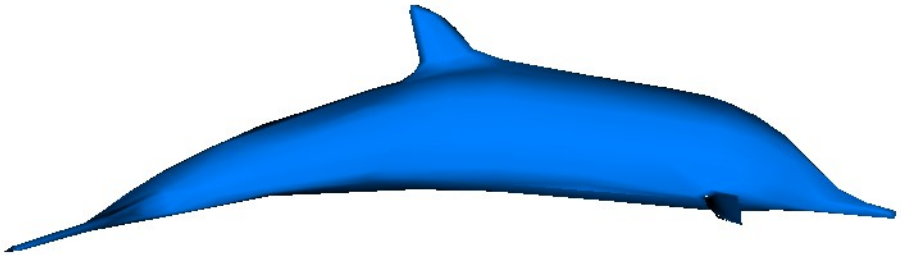
Chris Lang, Monterey High School

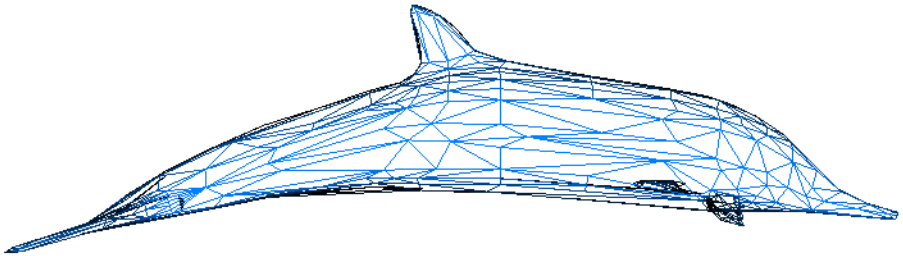












X3D for Web Authors

Textbook, slidesets, examples, videos

http://x3dGraphics.com

Availability of book resources

Book available in hard copy or electronic copy

X3D-Edit authoring tool is free for any use

X3D Examples are free for any use

X3D for Web Authors slides and course videos are free for any use

All free assets included on X3D Showcase DVD

Bookmarks

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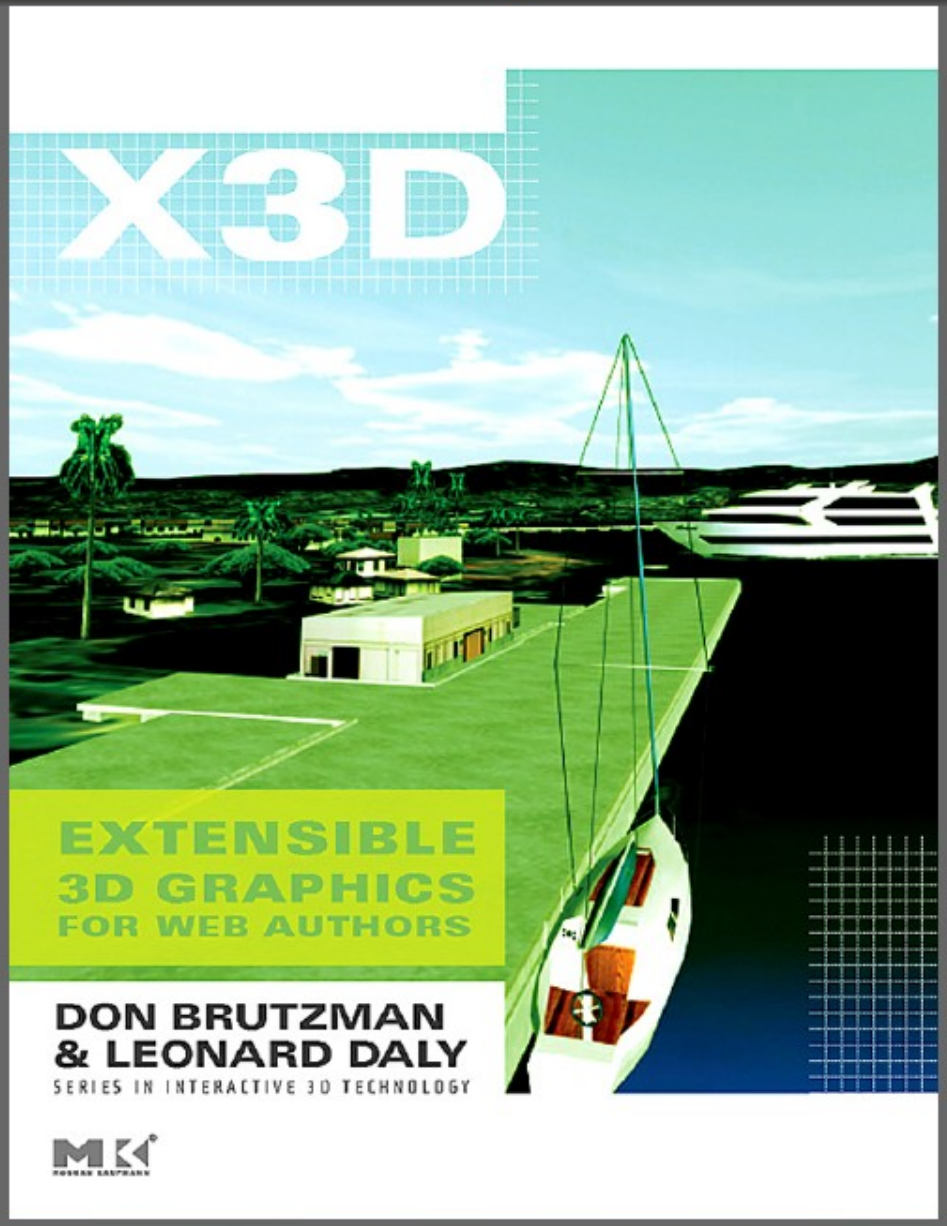

Teaching Goals

This work presents Extensible 3D (X3D) Graphics, the open, royalty-free, international standard for 3D graphics on the Web

Book and slideset goals include

- Show Web authors experienced with HTML and XML how to build and connect X3D models
- Teach students principles of Web-capable 3D graphics
- Serve as a ready-reference book for X3D experts

Explain broad principles and specific details of X3D for anyone learning how to build 3D models

CGEMS

Computer Graphics Educational Material Source

- SIGGRAPH Education Committee
- Archives for teaching and learning 3D
- http://cgems.inesc.pt

Jury award, best submission 2008

- Book, course notes, X3D-Edit tool, examples

New learning resource: course video podcasts!

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Course Videos: X3D for Web Authors

These video lessons support the textbook X3D: Extensible 3D Graphics for Web Authors, which shows how to build and animate models using X3D.

Primary supporting materials for the book and these video lessons include the X3D-Edit authoring tool, example scenes, and chapter slidesets. Supplementary learning materials include X3D Resources, X3D Tooltips, and X3D Scene Authoring Hints.

These videos were produced as part of two Naval Postgraduate School (NPS) MOVES Institute courses: *Introduction to X3D Graphics* (MV3204) and *Advanced X3D Graphics* (MV4205). The course presenter is book coauthor Don Brutzman.

Chapter Examples	Session	Description	.pdf
0	Getting Started	Goals and motivation, installing X3D-Edit authoring tool and example scenes, course introduction	slides
1	Technical Overview 1A	Introduction, historical background, Web3D Consortium, importance of standardization, X3D Specifications and International Organization of Standards (ISO), intellectual property rights (IPR) and open-source software, interoperability considerations	slides
	Technical Overview 1B	Browsers and players, models versus programming, scene graphs, behaviors and events, profiles and components, document metadata, fields	
	Technical Overview 1C	Importance of consistency, strong data typing, accessType, XML design patterns for X3D, compressed binary encoding, standards liaison organizations	
	Technical Overview 1D	X3D-Edit authoring tool development, functional testing, bug tracking, version control, Netbeans, help system	
2	Geometry Primitives 2A	Shape and geometry nodes, common geometry fields	slides
	Geometry Primitives 2B	Box and Cylinder nodes, X3D Tooltips	
	Geometry Primitives 2C	HelloWorld example, Cone Cylinder and Sphere nodes	
	Geometry Primitives 2D	Text node for flat 2D strings, launching an X3D scene into one or more external players, multiple-field MFString arrays, handling special characters using XML character entities	
	Geometry Primitives 2E	FontStyle node, open-source licenses	
3	Grouping 3A	Grouping node concepts, XML encoding	slides
	Grouping 3B	Inline node, url field	
	Grouping 3C	X3D resources and additional references, Inline node, url fields, level of detail (LOD) node	
	Grouping 3D	Switch node, review grouping node concepts, 3D grid resources	
4	Viewing Navigation 4A	Viewing, navigation, bindable nodes and binding operations example	slides
	Viewing Navigation 4B	Viewpoint node, viewing and navigation	
	Viewing Navigation 4C	NavigationInfo and Anchor nodes, uniform resource locator (url)	
5	Appearance 5A	Material and TwoSidedMaterial nodes, Universal Media materials library	slides
	Appearance 5B	Textures and ImageTexture node, texture coordinates, image copying and flipping to produce a continuously repeating texture, file formats	
	Appearance 5C	MovieTexture and PixelTexture nodes, LineProperties and FillProperties nodes	
	Appearance 5D	PixelTexture node, SFImage data type, PixelTexture image-import tool	
	Appearance 5E	More on PixelTexture node, MovieTexture node	

Summary

X3D-Edit provides many great resources for learning, authoring and using X3D

These community capabilities are good for business, educators, individuals

We welcome your active participation in Web3D Consortium

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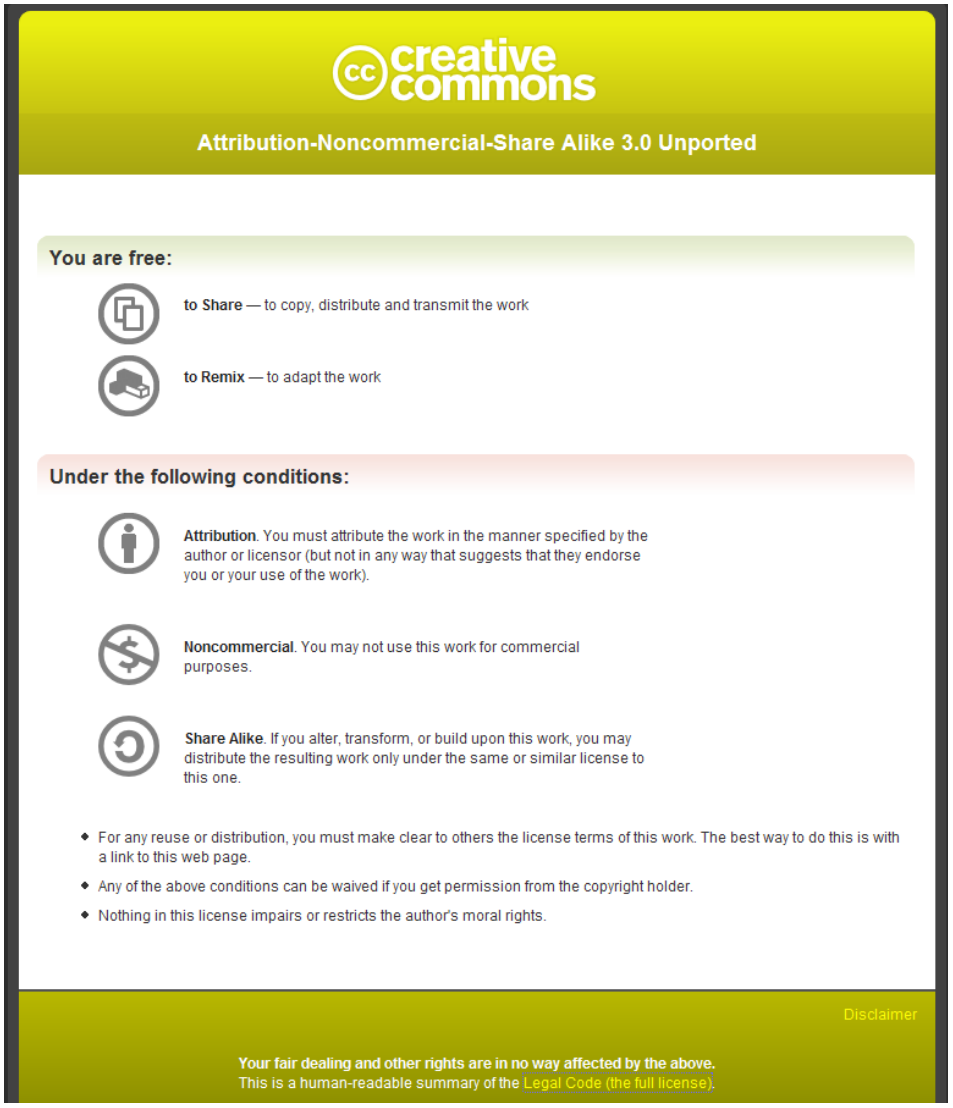

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