



Interactive Digital Chart of the World

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Summary

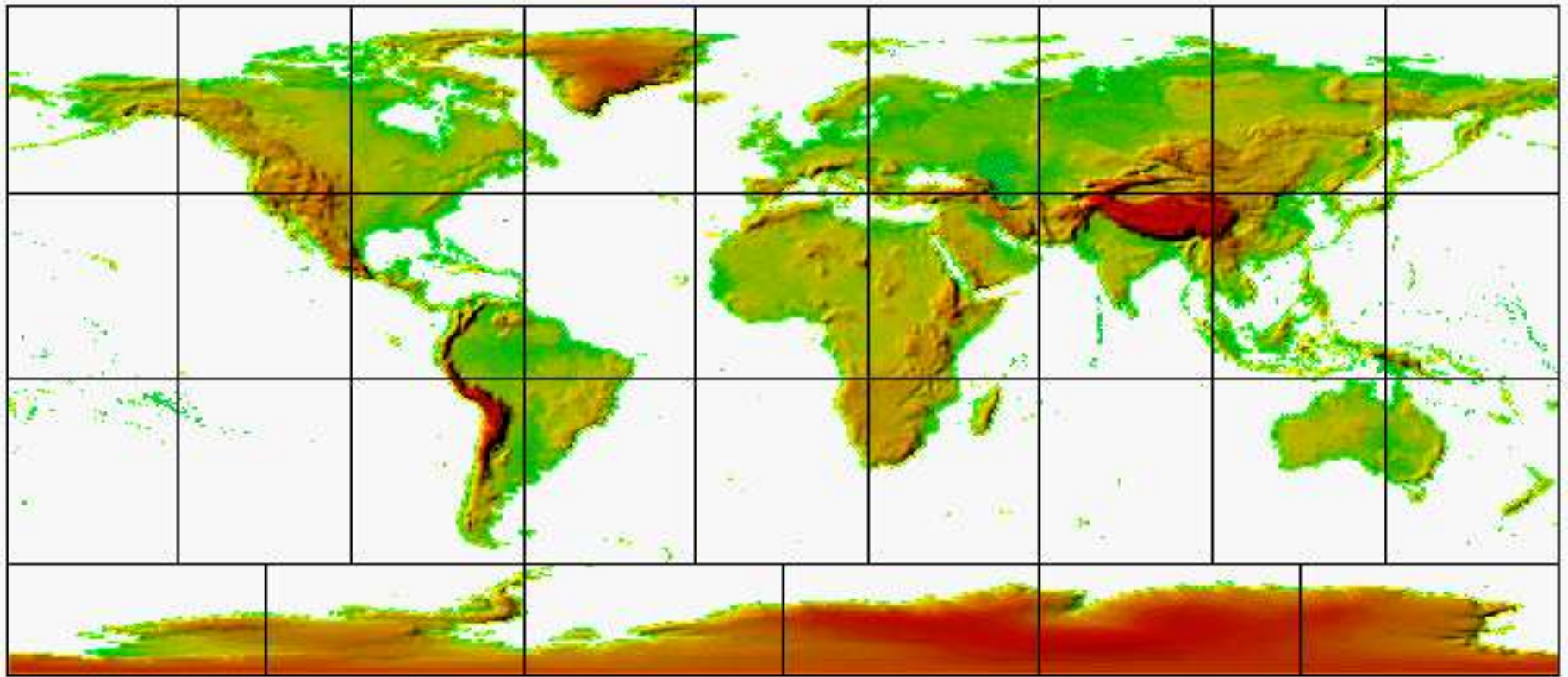
- Digital Chart of the World
- Displaying Maps
- Polar Coordinate Transform
- Coloring
- Interactive Navigation
- Demonstrations



Digital Chart of the World

- DCW, MIL-D-89009, 4/13/1992
 - 1:1,000,000 Scale
 - 4 CD's for North America; Europe and Northern Asia; South America, Africa, and Antarctica; and Australia and Southern Asia.
- GTOPO30, from the Earth Resource Observation and Service Center (EROS) in US Geological Survey, 1996
 - Digital Elevation Model (DEM)
 - 30 arc-second resolution
 - 33 DEM files, 1.8 GBytes

GTOPO30 DEM files





Interactive DCW

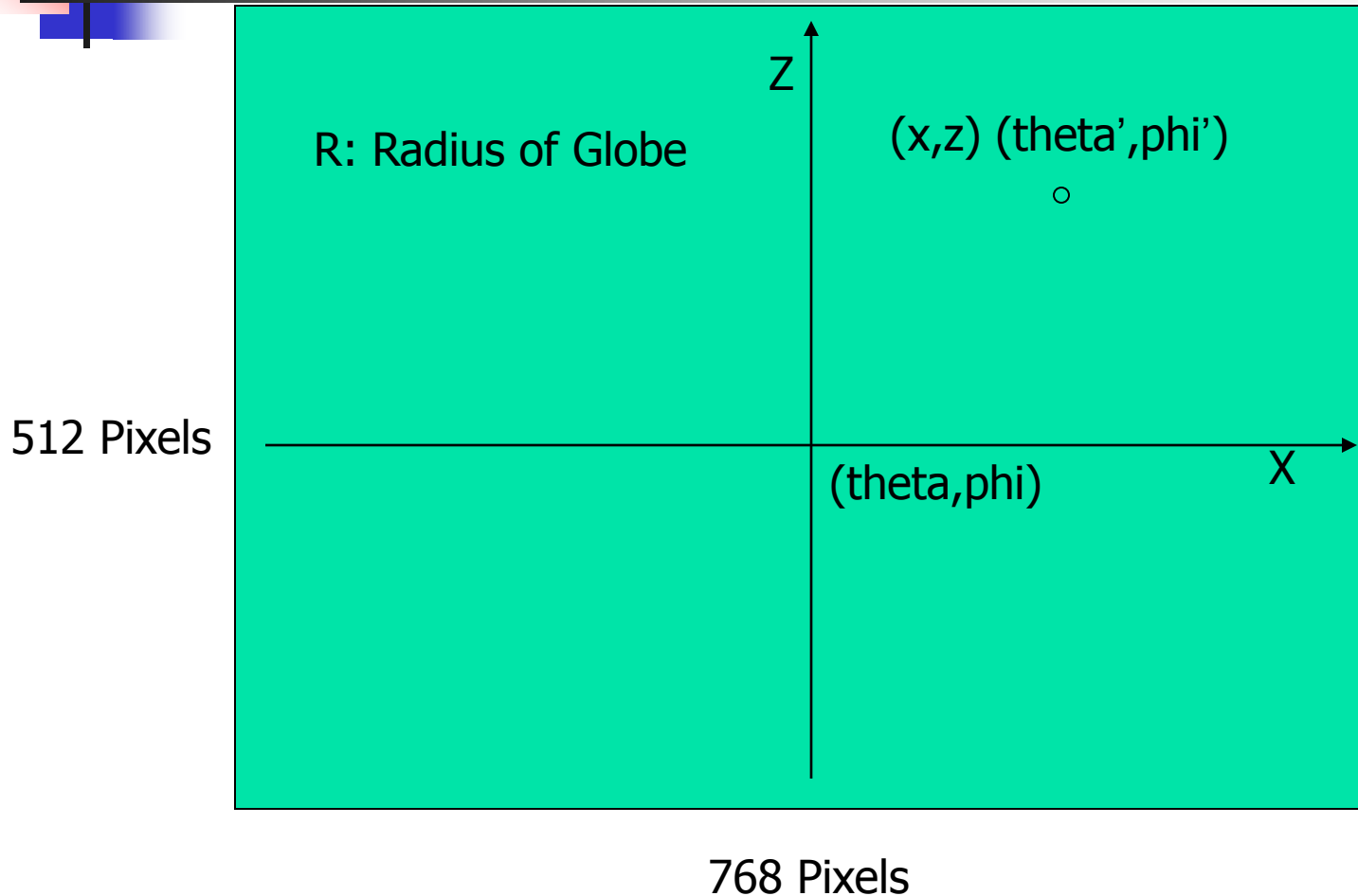
- 33 DEM data files are combined into a single 1.8 GByte file.
- Data are organized in 21600 rows (180 degrees latitude) and 43200 columns (360 degrees longitude).
- Elevations are 16-bit integers from -407 to 8732 Meters.



Displaying the Map

- Pick any point on the globe at (θ, ϕ) and place it at the center of screen, with 768×512 pixels.
- From a pixel (x, z) on the screen, compute its polar coordinates (θ', ϕ') .
- From (θ', ϕ') look up elevation in DEM file, place a color pixel on screen.

Polar Coordinate Transform

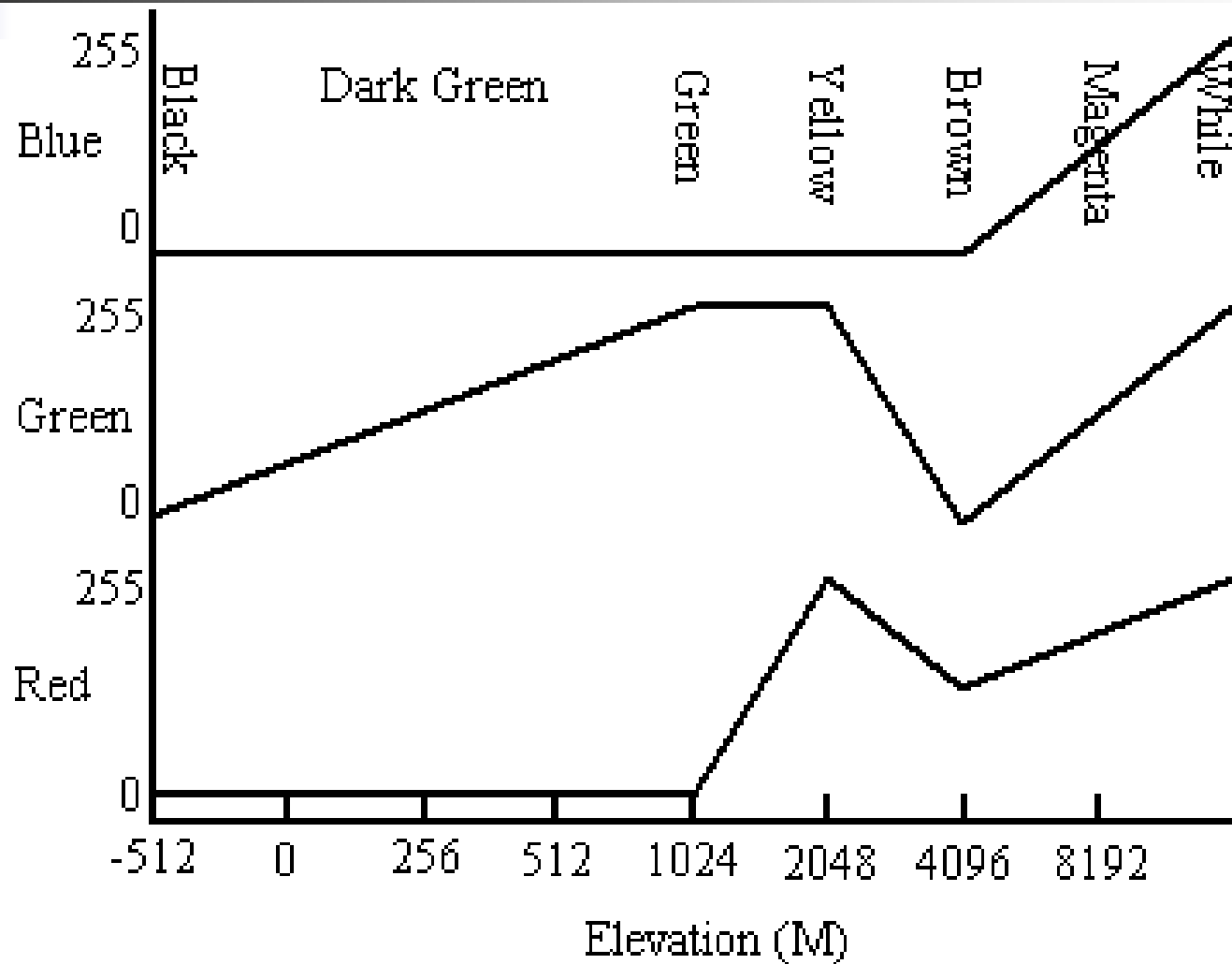




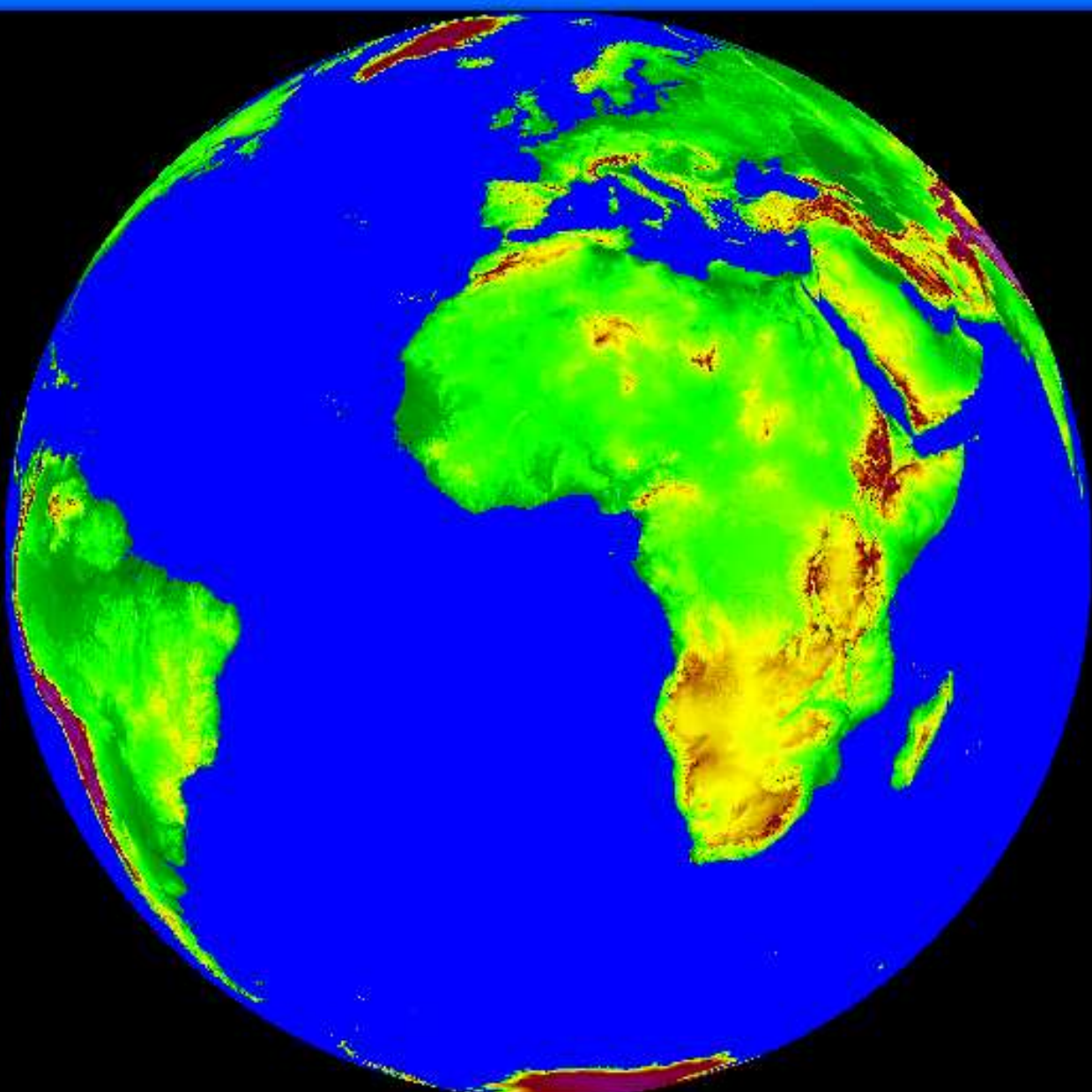
Polar Coordinate Transform

- Scanning point (x, y, z)
 $y = \sqrt{R^2 - x^2 - z^2}$
- Rotate (y, z) an angle $\alpha = (90 - \phi)$, along x-axis:
 $y' = y \cos(\alpha) - z \sin(\alpha)$
 $z' = y \sin(\alpha) + z \cos(\alpha)$
- $\phi' = \arctan(\sqrt{x^2 + y'^2} / z')$
 $\theta' = \theta + \arctan(x / y')$

Coloring



left button up



Expand GLOBE USA EUROPE ASIA AFRICA AMERIC S-AMER ANTART AUSTRA CHINA TAIWAN Compress



Interactive Navigation

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GLOBE	Globe
USA	United States
EUROPE	Europe
ASIA	Asia
AFRICA	Africa
AMERIC	Americas
S-AMER	South America
AUSTRA	Australia
ANTART	Antarctica
CHINA	China
TAIWAN	Taiwan
Compress	2/



Conclusion

- PC is not yet fast enough to display map quickly.
- DEM file is too big to read. However, once data is cached, display runs faster.
- It will be released as a game with complete source code and F# operating system, for people to explore Forth.



Thank You
