Appendix Beference

WebGL API Reference

This appendix provides an overview of the WebGL JavaScript API with brief descriptions of all functions, their parameters, and return values. For further details on the WebGL and the OpenGL ES 2 API, refer directly to the WebGL specification, available at www.khronos.org/registry/webgl/specs/1.0/, and the OpenGL ES 2 specification, available at www.khronos.org/registry/gles/. Listing B.1 demonstrates how to create a canvas element and get a WebGL context.

```
Listing B.1 Creating a WebGL Context
```

```
// create a canvas element
var canvas = document.createElement("canvas");

// add the canvas to the document
document.body.appendChild(canvas);

// set a few parameters
var parms = {
    alpha : true,
    stencil : false,
    antialias : true,
};

// create webgl context
// note: use "experimental-webgl" until "webgl" is supported
var gl = canvas.getContext("webgl", parms);
```

Table B-1 lists the available parameters. Note that browsers are required to support only the alpha, premultipliedAlpha, and preserveDrawingBuffer parameters.

Table B-1 WebGL parameters

Parameter	Default	Description
alpha	true	If true, enables the alpha channel of the drawing buffer.
depth	true	If supported and true, enables the depth buffer.
stencil	false	If supported and true, enables the stencil buffer.
antialias	false	If supported and true, enables antialiasing using an implementation-specific technique.
premultipliedAlpha	true	If true, enables premultiplied alpha in the drawing buffer. Ignored if alpha is false.
preserveDrawingBuffer	false	If supported and true, the drawing buffer is preserved until explicitly cleared.

Data types

WebGL inherits the data types used in OpenGL ES, including several numeric types that are all represented in JavaScript by the <u>basic</u> number type. Other data types are used in this appendix only to illustrate the types of values expected by the functions. Table B-2 lists the data types used in this appendix.

In addition to strings, objects, and numbers, WebGL also <u>uses symbolic constants</u> for many values. They are identified by uppercase properties on the webgl context object. This appendix uses the enum data type to refer to such constants.

Table B-2 Data types

Туре пате	Description
enum	WebGL enum value, for example, gl.buffer_Size
int	Signed integer value
uint	Unsigned integer value
float	Floating-point value

The data types in Table B-2 are a simplification of the ones described in the WebGL specification. You generally don't have to worry about these types, however, as they all translate to the number type in JavaScript.

NOTE

Typed arrays

WebGL uses the new typed array objects to handle various types of data. See www.khronos.org/registry/typedarray/specs/latest/ for further details on the Typed Array specification. Table B-3 lists the array types used here.

Table B-3 Array buffer views

Туре	Description
Uint8Array	Unsigned 8-bit integer values
Uint16Array	Unsigned 16-bit integer values
Uint32Array	Unsigned 32-bit integer values
Int32Array	Signed 32-bit integer values
Float32Array	32-bit floating-point values

Buffers

Table B-4 lists the functions related to <u>creating</u>, <u>deleting</u>, <u>and setting data for buffer</u> objects.

Table B-4 Buffer functions

Function	Description
gl.createBuffer()	Creates and returns a new WebGLBuffer object.
gl.deleteBuffer(Deletes a WebGLBuffer object.
WebGLBuffer buffer	
)	
gl.bindBuffer(Binds a WebGLBuffer object to the specified target.
enum target,	Valid values for target are gl.ARRAY_BUFFER and
WebGLBuffer buffer	gl.ELEMENT_ARRAY_BUFFER.
)	
gl.bufferData(Stores data for the WebGLBuffer object bound to the specified
enum target,	target. The second argument can be an ArrayBuffer object, an ArrayBufferView object, or a ulong value indicating the
Object data,	initial size of the data.
enum usage	Valid values for usage are gl.STREAM_DRAW, gl.STATIC_
)	DRAW, and gl.DYNAMIC_DRAW.
gl.bufferData(
enum target,	
uint size,	
enum usage	
)	
gl.bufferSubData(Updates a subsection of the data store of the buffer object
enum target,	bound to the target. The data argument can be an ArrayBuffer object or an ArrayBufferView object.
Object data,	·
enum usage	Valid values for usage are gl.STREAM_DRAW, gl.STATIC_ DRAW, and gl.DYNAMIC_DRAW.
)	
gl.getBufferParameter(Returns the value of a parameter for the buffer object cur-
enum target,	rently bound to the specified target.
enum pname	Valid values for name are gl.BUFFER_SIZE and gl.BUFFER_
)	USAGE.
gl.isBuffer(Returns true if buffer is a WebGLObject and has been bound
WebGLBuffer buffer	to a target with gl.bindBuffer().
)	

Shaders

Table B-5 lists the functions related to creating, deleting, and compiling shader objects.

Table B-5 Shader functions

Table D-9 Shauer functions		
Function	Description	
gl.createShader(Returns a new WebGLShader object.	
enum type	Valid values for type are gl.FRAGMENT_SHADER and	
)	gl.VERTEX_SHADER.	
gl.deleteShader(Deletes the specified WebGLShader object. The delete status is	
WebGLShader shader	stored in the gl.DELETE_STATUS parameter.	
)		
gl.shaderSource(Sets the GLSL source code of the specified WebGLShader	
WebGLShader shader,	object.	
string source		
)		
gl.getShaderSource(Returns a string containing the GLSL source code of the	
WebGLShader shader	specified WebGLShader object.	
)		
gl.compileShader(Compiles a WebGLShader object.	
WebGLShader shader		
)		
gl.getShaderInfoLog(Returns a string containing the information log for the speci-	
WebGLShader shader	fied WebGLShader object, including any compilation errors.	
)		
gl.isShader(Returns true if shader is a WebGLShader object that has not	
WebGLShader shader	yet been deleted; otherwise returns false.	
)		
gl.getShaderParameter(Returns the value of a parameter for the specified	
WebGLShader shader,	WebGLShader object.	
enum pname	Valid values for pname are gl.SHADER_TYPE, gl.DELETE_	
)	STATUS, and gl.COMPILE_STATUS.	

Program objects

Table B-6 lists the functions related to <u>creating</u>, <u>deleting</u>, <u>and linking program objects</u>.

Table B-6 Program object functions

Table D-0 Trogram object functions		
Function	Description	
gl.createProgram()	Creates and returns a new WebGLProgram program object.	
<pre>gl.deleteProgram(</pre>	Deletes the specified WebGLProgram object. The delete sta-	
WebGLProgram program	tus is stored in the g1.DELETE_STATUS parameter.	
)		
gl.linkProgram(Links the specified WebGLProgram object and creates exe-	
WebGLProgram program	cutables for the programmable vertex and fragment processors. The status is stored in the gl.LINK_STATUS	
)	parameter.	
gl.getProgramInfoLog(Returns a string containing the information log for the	
WebGLProgram program	specified WebGLProgram object, including any linker errors.	
)		
gl.validateProgram(Validates the specified WebGLProgram object and stores the	
WebGLProgram program	status in the g1.VALIDATE_STATUS parameter.	
)		
gl.attachShader(Attaches a WebGLShader object to the specified	
WebGLProgram program,	WebGLProgram object. The number of attached shaders is stored in the gl.ATTACHED_SHADERS parameter.	
WebGLShader shader		
)		
gl.detachShader(Detaches a WebGLShader object from the specified	
WebGLProgram program,	WebGLProgram object.	
WebGLShader shader		
)		
gl.getAttachedShaders(Returns an array containing the WebGLShader objects cur-	
WebGLProgram program	rently attached to the specified WebGLProgram object.	
)		
gl.getActiveAttrib(Returns information about the vertex attribute at the speci-	
WebGLProgram program,	fied index on the specified WebGLProgram object.	
uint index	The return value is a WebGLActiveInfo object with the properties size, type, and name.	
)		

Function	Description
gl.getActiveUniform(Returns information about the uniform variable at the spec-
WebGLProgram program,	ified index on the specified WebGLProgram object.
uint index	The return value is a WebGLActiveInfo object with the
)	properties size, type, and name.
gl.useProgram(Activates the specified WebGLProgram object for the current
WebGLProgram program	rendering.
)	
gl.isProgram(Returns true if program is a WebGLProgram object that has
WebGLProgram program	not yet been deleted; otherwise returns false.
)	
gl.getProgramParameter(Returns the value of a parameter for the specified
WebGLProgram program,	WebGLProgram object.
enum pname	Valid values for name are gl.DELETE_STATUS, gl.LINK_
)	STATUS, gl.VALIDATE_STATUS, gl.ATTACHED_SHADERS, gl.ACTIVE_UNIFORMS, and gl.ACTIVE_ATTRIBUTES.

Uniform variables

Table B-7 lists the functions related to accessing and setting values for uniform variables.

Table B-7 Uniform variable functions

Function	Description
gl.getUniformLocation(Returns a WebGLUniformLocation object pointing to
WebGLProgram program,	the location of the uniform with the specified name for the specified WebGLProgram object.
string name	
)	
gl.getUniform(Returns the value of the uniform variable at the speci-
WebGLProgram program,	fied location for the specified WebGLProgram object. The type of the return value depends on the type of
WebGLUniformLocation location	the uniform variable.
)	
gl.uniform[1234][fi](Sets the value of the uniform variable at the specified
WebGLUniformLocation location,	location for the active WebGLProgram object.
	Examples:
)	<pre>gl.uniform1i(location, 17);</pre>
	<pre>gl.uniform3f(location, 1.5, 2.3, 3.7);</pre>

Table B-7 continued

Table D-7 continued	
Function	Description
gl.uniform[1234][fi]v(Sets the values of the uniform at the specified
WebGLUniformLocation location,	location for the current WebGLProgram object.
Array value	Example:
)	<pre>gl.uniform3fv(location, new Float32Array([</pre>
	0.5, -2.0, 5.5,
	6.2, 1.0, -2.5
	1);
gl.uniformMatrix[234]fv(WebGLUniformLocation location, boolean transpose, Float32Array value	Sets the value of the matrix uniform at the specified location for the current WebGLProgram object. The transpose parameter must be set to false. If necessary, you must transpose the matrix manually before loading.
)	Example:
	<pre>gl.uniformMatrix3fv(location, new Float32Array([</pre>
	1.0, 0.0, 0.0,
	0.0, 1.0, 0.0,
	0.0, 0.0, 1.0
	1);

Vertex attributes

Table B-8 lists the functions related to enabling and setting values for vertex attributes.

Table B-8 Vertex attribute functions

Function	Description
gl.enableVertexAttribArray(Enables the vertex attribute at the specified index.
uint index	
)	
gl.disableVertexAttribArray(Disables the vertex attribute at the specified index.
uint index	
)	

Function	Description
gl.getAttribLocation(Returns the location of the vertex attribute with the specified name for the specified program.
WebGLProgram program,	
string name	
)	
gl.bindAttribLocation(Binds the vertex attribute with the specified name to the
WebGLProgram program,	specified index on the specified program.
uint index,	
string name	
)	
gl.getVertexAttrib(Returns information about the vertex attribute at the speci-
uint index,	fied index. The parameter, specified by pname, dictates the type of the return value.
enum pname	Valid values for pname are gl.VERTEX_ATTRIB_ARRAY_
)	ENABLED, gl.VERTEX_ATTRIB_ARRAY_SIZE, gl.VERTEX_ATTRIB_ARRAY_STRIDE, gl.VERTEX_ATTRIB_ARRAY_TYPE gl.VERTEX_ATTRIB_ARRAY_NORMALIZED, gl.CURRENT_ VERTEX_ATTRIB, and gl.VERTEX_ATTRIB_ARRAY_BUFFER_BINDING.
gl.getVertexAttribOffset(Returns the address of the pointer to the vertex attribute at
uint index,	the specified index. The value of pname must be gl.VERTEX ATTRIB_ARRAY_POINTER.
enum pname	
)	
gl.vertexAttrib[1234]f(Sets a constant value for the vertex attribute at the specifie
uint index,	index.
• • •	Example:
)	<pre>gl.vertexAttrib3f(index, 2.3, 5.4, 1.5);</pre>
gl.vertexAttrib[1234]fv(Sets a constant value for the vertex attribute at the specifie
uint index,	index.
Float32Array values	Example:
,	gl.vertexAttrib3fv(index, [2.3, 5.4, 1.5]);

Table B-8 continued

Function	Description
<pre>gl.vertexAttribPointer(uint index,</pre>	Assigns the currently bound WebGLBuffer object to the vertex attribute at the specified index.
int size, enum type,	The size parameter specifies the dimension of the elements in the data, for example, 3 for vec3 values. Must be 1, 2, 3, or 4.
<pre>boolean normalized, int stride, int offset)</pre>	The type parameter specifies the data type of the data and must be BYTE, UNSIGNED_BYTE, SHORT, UNSIGNED_SHORT, INT, UNSIGNED_INT, or FLOAT. The normalized parameter specifies whether the values should be normalized to [-1, 1].
	The stride parameter specifies the number of bytes from the start of one vertex to the start of the next. If the data is tightly packed, a value of 0 can be used to autocalculate the stride.
	The offset parameter specifies the first element.

Drawing

Table B-9 lists the functions related to drawing geometry on the canvas element.

Table B-9 Drawing functions

Function	Description
gl.viewport(Sets the viewport to a rectangle with its upper-left corner at (x, y) and
int x,	dimensions width x height.
int y,	The viewport specifies the area where content is rendered.
int width,	
int height	
)	
gl.drawArrays(Renders primitives from array data in the currently bound buffers.
enum mode,	The value of count specifies the number of elements to render. The value
int first,	of first specifies the first element to render.
int count	Valid values for mode are gl.POINTS, gl.LINES, gl.LINE_LOOP,
)	gl.LINE_STRIP, gl.TRIANGLES, gl.TRIANGLE_STRIP, and gl.TRIANGLE_FAN.

Function	Description
gl.drawElements(Draws indexed primitives from the currently bound buffers.
enum mode,	The value of count specifies the number of elements to render. The value
int count,	of offset specifies the first element to render.
enum type,	See the gl.drawArrays() description for valid values for mode.
int offset	
)	
gl.flush()	Causes any buffered WebGL commands to execute immediately.
gl.finish()	Does not return until all WebGL commands have executed and finished.

Textures

Table B-10 lists the functions related to creating, deleting, and loading textures.

Table B-10 Texture functions

Function	Description
gl.createTexture()	Returns a new WebGLTexture object.
gl.deleteTexture(Deletes the specified WebGLTexture object.
WebGLTexture texture	
)	
gl.bindTexture(Binds the specified WebGLTexture object to the specified target.
enum target,	Valid values for target are gl.TEXTURE_2D and gl.TEXTURE_
WebGLTexture texture	CUBE_MAP.
)	
gl.activeTexture(Activates the specified texture unit. Valid values for texture are
enum texture	<pre>g1.TEXTURE0 to g1.TEXTUREn where n = g1.MAX_COMBINED_ TEXTURE_IMAGE_UNITS</pre>
)	TEXTORE_IMAGE_UNITS
gl.generateMipmap(Generates mipmaps for the texture currently bound to the speci-
enum target	fied target. Valid values for target are gl.TEXTURE_2D and gl.TEXTURE_CUBE_MAP.
)	gi.ibnions_cobs_rmi.

Table B-10 continued

Table B-10 continued	
Function	Description
gl.texImage2D(Loads pixel data from the pixels array into the texture bound to
enum target,	the specified target. Valid values for target are g1.TEXTURI g1.TEXTURE_CUBE_MAP_POSITIVE_X, g1.TEXTURE_CUBE_1
int level,	NEGATIVE_X, gl.TEXTURE_CUBE_MAP_POSITIVE_Y,
enum internalformat,	gl.TEXTURE_CUBE_MAP_NEGATIVE_Y, gl.TEXTURE_CUBE_MAP_POSITIVE_Z, and gl.TEXTURE_CUBE_MAP_NEGATIVE_Z.
int width,	Valid values for format and internal format are gl.ALPHA,
int height,	gl.RGB, gl.RGBA, gl.LUMINANCE, and gl.LUMINANCE_ALPHA.
int border,	The type parameter indicates the type of data in pixels. Valid
enum format,	values for type and their corresponding ArrayBufferView types
enum type,	<pre>are gl.UNSIGNED_BYTE (UInt8Array), gl.UNSIGNED_ SHORT_4_4_4_4 (UInt16Array), gl.UNSIGNED_</pre>
ArrayBufferView pixels	SHORT_5_5_5_1 (UInt16Array), and
)	gl.UNSIGNED_SHORT_5_6_5 (UInt16Array).
	The value of border must be 0. The value of level indicates the mipmap level where 0 is the base image.
gl.texImage2D(Loads pixel data from the pixels object into the texture bound
enum target,	to the specified target.
int level,	The pixels object can be an img element, a canvas element, a video element, or an ImageData object created, for example, by
enum internalformat,	the ctx.getImageData() method of a 2d canvas context.
enum format,	See the previous gl.texImage2D() description for information
enum type,	on the other parameters.
Object pixels	
)	
gl.texSubImage2D(Loads pixel data into a subregion of the texture bound to the
enum target,	specified target.
int level,	The subregion has the dimensions width x height. The position (xoffset, yoffset) specifies the upper-left corner of the
int xoffset,	subregion.
int yoffset,	See the gl.texImage2D() description for information on the
int width,	other parameters.
int height,	
enum format,	
enum type,	
ArrayBufferView pixels	
)	

Function	Description
gl.texSubImage2D(Loads pixel data into a subregion of the texture bound to the specified target.
enum target,	
int level,	The position (xoffset, yoffset) specifies the upper-left corner of the subregion.
int xoffset,	The pixels object can be an img element, a canvas element, a
<pre>int yoffset, enum format,</pre>	video element, or an ImageData object created, for example, by the ctx.getImageData() method of a 2d canvas context.
enum type,	See gl.texImage2D() description for information on the other
Object pixels	parameters.
gl.copyTexImage2D(Copies image data from the frame buffer into the texture bound
enum target,	to the specified target.
int level,	See gl.texImage2D() description for information on the other
enum internalformat,	parameters.
int x,	
int y,	
int width,	
int height,	
int border	
)	
gl.copyTexSubImage2D(Copies image data from the frame buffer into a subregion of the
enum target,	texture bound to the specified target.
int level,	See the gl.texSubImage2D() description for information on the other parameters.
int xoffset,	the other parameters.
int yoffset,	
int x,	
int y,	
int width,	
int height	
)	
gl.isTexture(Returns true if texture is a WebGLTexture that has been bound
WebGLTexture texture	to a target with gl.bindTexture(); otherwise returns false.
)	

Table B-10 continued

Function	Description
<pre>gl.texParameterf(enum target,</pre>	Sets a texture parameter for the texture currently bound to the specified target.
enum pname,	Valid values for target are gl.TEXTURE_2D and gl.TEXTURE_CUBE_MAP.
<pre>float param)</pre>	If pname is gl.TEXTURE_MIN_FILTER, param must be gl.NEAREST, gl.LINEAR, gl.NEAREST_MIPMAP_NEAREST,
gl.texParameteri(gl.LINEAR_MIPMAP_NEAREST, gl.NEAREST_MIPMAP_LINEAR, or gl.LINEAR_MIPMAP_LINEAR.
enum target, enum pname,	If pname is gl.TEXTURE_MIN_FILTER, param must be gl.NEAREST or gl.LINEAR.
<pre>int param)</pre>	If pname is gl.TEXTURE_WRAP_S or gl.TEXTURE_WRAP_T, param must be gl.REPEAT, gl.CLAMP_TO_EDGE, or gl.MIRRORED_REPEAT.
gl.getTexParameter(enum target,	Returns the value of a texture parameter for the texture currently bound to target.
enum pname	See gl.texParameter[fi]() for valid pname values.
)	

Blending

Table B-11 lists the functions related to blending equations and functions.

Table B-11 Blending functions

Function	Description
gl.blendEquation(Sets the blending equation.
enum mode)	Valid values for mode are gl.FUNC_ADD, gl.FUNC_SUBTRACT, and gl.FUNC_REVERSE_SUBTRACT.
gl.blendEquationSeparate(Sets the blending equation separately for RGB and alpha.
enum modeRGB,	See description for gl.blendEquation() for valid values
enum modeAlpha	for mode.
)	

Function	Description
gl.blendFunc(Sets the source and destination blending factors.
<pre>enum sfactor, enum dfactor)</pre>	Valid values for sfactor and dfactor are gl.ZERO, gl.ONE, gl.SRC_COLOR, gl.ONE_MINUS_SRC_COLOR, gl.DST_COLOR, gl.ONE_MINUS_DST_COLOR, gl.SRC_ALPHA, gl.ONE_MINUS_SRC_ALPHA, gl.ONE_MINUS_DST_ALPHA, gl.CONSTANT_COLOR, gl.ONE_MINUS_CONSTANT_COLOR, gl.CONSTANT_ALPHA, and gl.ONE_MINUS_CONSTANT_ALPHA.
	Additionally, the value of sfactor can be gl.SRC_ALPHA_SATURATE.
	Constant alpha and constant color cannot be used at the same time.
gl.blendFuncSeparate(Sets the blending factors separately for RGB and alpha.
enum srcRGB,	See gl.blendFunc() for valid values for source and destina-
enum dstRGB,	tion factors.
enum srcAlpha,	
enum dstAlpha	
)	
gl.blendColor(Sets the constant blending color.
float red,	
float green,	
float blue,	
float alpha	
)	

Stencil buffer

Table B-12 lists the functions related to setting functions and operations for the stencil buffer.

Table B-12 Stencil buffer functions

Table D-12 Steller b	uner functions
Function	Description
gl.clearStencil(Sets the stencil index used when the stencil buffer is cleared.
int s	
)	
gl.stencilFunc(Sets the functions and reference value used for stencil testing.
enum func,	Valid values for func are gl.NEVER, gl.LESS, gl.EQUAL,
int ref,	gl.LEQUAL, gl.GREATER, gl.NOTEQUAL, gl.GEQUAL, and gl.ALWAYS.
int mask	gr. Alward.
)	
gl.stencilFuncSeparate(Sets the stencil functions and reference value separately for front-
enum face,	and back-facing polygons.
enum func,	Valid values for face are gl.FRONT, gl.BACK, and gl.FRONT_AND_ BACK.
int ref,	DACK.
int mask	
)	
gl.stencilMask(Sets the mask that controls writing of individual bits to the stencil
uint mask	buffer.
)	
<pre>gl.stencilMaskSeparate(</pre>	Sets the stencil mask separately for front- and back-facing polygons.
enum face,	See gl.stencilFuncSeparate() for valid face values.
uint mask	
)	
gl.stencilOp(Sets the operations used in the stencil test.
enum fail,	The fail value is the operation used when the stencil test fails. The
enum zfail,	zfail value is the operation used when the stencil test passes but the depth test fails. The zpass value is the operation used when
enum zpass	both tests pass.
)	Valid values for all parameters are gl.ZERO, gl.KEEP, gl.REPLACE,
	gl.INCR, gl.DECR, gl.INVERT, gl.INCR_WRAP, and gl.DECR_WRAP.
gl.stencilOpSeparate(Sets the stencil test operations separately for front- and back-facing
enum face,	polygons.
enum fail,	See gl.stencilOp() for valid operation values.
enum zfail,	
enum zpass	
)	

Depth buffer

Table B-13 lists the functions related to setting depth buffer values.

Table B-13 Depth buffer functions

Function	Description
gl.depthFunc(Sets the depth buffer function.
enum func	Valid values for func are gl.NEVER, gl.LESS, gl.EQUAL, gl.LEQUAL, gl.GREATER, gl.NOTEQUAL, gl.GEQUAL, and gl.ALWAYS.
gl.depthMask(Enables or disables writing to the depth buffer.
boolean flag	
)	
gl.depthRange(Sets the range of the depth buffer.
float zNear,	The value of zNear must be less than the value of zFar.
float zFar	
)	
gl.clearDepth(Sets the depth value used to clear the depth buffer.
float depth	
)	
gl.polygonOffset(Sets the scale factor and the offset units used to calculate
float factor,	depth values.
float units	
)	

Render buffers

Table B-14 lists the functions related to creating, deleting, and using render buffers.

Table B-14 Render buffer functions

Function	Description
gl.createRenderbuffer()	Returns a new WebGLRenderBuffer object.
gl.deleteRenderbuffer(Deletes the specified WebGLRenderBuffer object.
WebGLRenderbuffer renderbuffer	
)	

Table B-14 continued

Table D-14 continued	
Function	Description
gl.bindRenderbuffer(Binds a WebGLRenderBuffer object to the specified
enum target,	target.
WebGLRenderbuffer renderbuffer	The value of target must be gl.RENDERBUFFER.
)	
gl.renderbufferStorage(Initializes the data store for the currently bound ren-
enum target,	der buffer.
enum internalformat,	The width and height parameters specify the dimensions of the render buffer.
int width,	Valid values for internal format are gl.RGBA4,
int height	gl.RGB565, gl.RGB5_A1, gl.DEPTH_COMPONENT16,
)	and gl.STENCIL_INDEX8.
gl.framebufferRenderbuffer(Attaches the specified WebGLRenderbuffer object to
enum target,	the frame buffer currently bound to target.
enum attachment,	The value of target must be gl.FRAMEBUFFER.
enum renderbuffertarget,	The value of renderbuffertarget must be gl.RENDERBUFFER.
WebGLRenderbuffer renderbuffer	Valid values for attachment are gl.COLOR_
)	ATTACHMENTO, gl.DEPTH_ATTACHMENT,
	gl.STENCIL_ATTACHMENT, and gl.DEPTH_ STENCIL ATTACHMENT.
gl.isRenderbuffer(Returns true if renderbuffer is a
WebGLRenderbuffer renderbuffer	WebGLRenderBuffer object that has been bound
)	with gl.bindRenderBuffer(); otherwise returns false.
gl.getRenderbufferParameter(Returns the value of a parameter for the currently
	bound render buffer.
enum target,	Valid values for pname are gl.RENDERBUFFER_
enum pname	WIDTH, gl.RENDERBUFFER_HEIGHT,
)	gl.RENDERBUFFER_INTERNAL_FORMAT,
	gl.RENDERBUFFER_RED_SIZE, gl.RENDERBUFFER_
	GREEN_SIZE, gl.RENDERBUFFER_BLUE_SIZE, gl.RENDERBUFFER_ALPHA_SIZE,
	gl.RENDERBUFFER_DEPTH_SIZE, and
	gl.RENDERBUFFER_STENCIL_SIZE.

Frame buffers

Table B-15 lists the functions related to creating, deleting, and using frame buffers.

Table B-15 Frame buffer functions

Function	Description
<pre>gl.createFramebuffer()</pre>	Returns a new WebGLFramebuffer object.
gl.deleteFramebuffer(Deletes the specified WebGLFramebuffer object.
WebGLFramebuffer framebuffer	
)	
gl.bindFramebuffer(Binds the specified WebGLFramebuffer object to
enum target,	the specified target. The value of target must be gl.FRAMEBUFFER.
WebGLFramebuffer framebuffer	gi.framebuffer.
)	
gl.checkFramebufferStatus(Returns the status of the currently bound frame buffer.
enum target	Return value is one of gl . Framebuffer_
)	COMPLETE, gl.FRAMEBUFFER_INCOMPLETE_
	ATTACHMENT, gl. FRAMEBUFFER_INCOMPLETE_ MISSING_ATTACHMENT, gl. FRAMEBUFFER_
	INCOMPLETE_DIMENSIONS, or gl.FRAMEBUFFER_
	UNSUPPORTED.
gl.isFramebuffer(Returns true if framebuffer is a
WebGLFramebuffer framebuffer	WebGLFramebuffer object that has been bound with gl.bindFrameBuffer().
gl.framebufferTexture2D(Attaches the specified WebGLTexture object to the
enum target,	currently bound frame buffer.
enum attachment,	See gl.framebufferRenderbuffer() for valid attachment values.
enum textarget,	Valid values for textarget are gl.TEXTURE_2D,
WebGLTexture texture,	gl.TEXTURE_CUBE_MAP_POSITIVE_X,
int level	gl.TEXTURE_CUBE_MAP_NEGATIVE_X,
)	<pre>g1.TEXTURE_CUBE_MAP_POSITIVE_Y, g1.TEXTURE_CUBE_MAP_NEGATIVE_Y,</pre>
	gl.TEXTURE_CUBE_MAP_NEGATIVE_I, gl.TEXTURE_CUBE_MAP_POSITIVE_Z, and
	gl.TEXTURE_CUBE_MAP_NEGATIVE_Z.
	The value of level must be 0.

Table B-15 continued

Table D-15 commueu	
Function	Description
gl.getFramebufferAttachmentParameter(Returns the value of an attachment parameter for
enum target,	the currently bound frame buffer.
enum attachment,	Valid values for attachment are gl.COLOR_
enum pname	ATTACHMENTO, gl.DEPTH_ATTACHMENT, and gl.STENCIL_ATTACHMENT.
)	Valid values for pname are gl.FRAMEBUFFER_ ATTACHMENT_OBJECT_TYPE, gl.FRAMEBUFFER_ ATTACHMENT_OBJECT_NAME, gl.FRAMEBUFFER_ ATTACHMENT_TEXTURE_LEVEL, and gl.FRAMEBUFFER_ATTACHMENT_TEXTURE_ CUBE_MAP_FACE.
gl.colorMask(Enables or disables writing the red, green, blue,
boolean red,	and alpha components of the frame buffer.
boolean green,	
boolean blue,	
boolean alpha	
)	
gl.readPixels(Reads pixel data from the frame buffer.
int x,	The x, y, width, and height values specify the rectangular region that is read.
int y,	The value of format must be gl.RGBA. The value
int width,	of type must be gl.UNSIGNED_BYTE.
<pre>int height, enum format,</pre>	The pixel data is loaded into the pixels array,
enum type,	which must be an UInt8Array to match the gl.UNSIGNED_BYTE type.
ArrayBufferView pixels	
)	
gl.pixelStorei(Sets pixel storage modes. The data type of param
enum pname,	depends on the parameter.
any param	If pname is gl.PACK_ALIGNMENT or gl.UNPACK_ALIGNMENT, param must be an int value.
)	If pname is gl.UNPACK_FLIP_Y_WEBGL or gl.UNPACK_PREMULTIPLY_ALPHA_WEBGL, param must be a boolean value.
	If pname is g1.UNPACK_COLORSPACE_ CONVERSION_WEBGL, param must be g1.BROWSER_ DEFAULT_WEBGL or g1.NONE.

Other functions

Table B-16 lists functions that do not fit into any other sections.

Table B-16 Other functions

Function	Description
gl.enable(Enables a capability.
enum cap	Valid values for cap are gl.CULL_FACE, gl.BLEND, gl.DITHER, gl.STENCIL_TEST, gl.DEPTH_TEST, gl.SCISSOR_TEST, gl.POLYGON_OFFSET_FILL, gl.SAMPLE_ALPHA_TO_COVERAGE, and gl.SAMPLE_COVERAGE.
<pre>gl.disable(enum cap)</pre>	Disables a capability. See gl.enable() description for valid values for cap.
gl.isEnabled(enum cap)	Returns true if the specified capability is enabled; otherwise returns false. See gl.enable() description for valid values for cap.
gl.cullFace(Sets the face culling mode.
enum mode	Valid values for mode are gl.FRONT, gl.BACK, and gl.FRONT_AND_BACK.
gl.frontFace(Sets the winding order used for face culling.
enum mode	Valid values for mode are gl.CW and gl.CCW.
gl.clear(Clears the color, depth, and stencil buffers.
uint mask	The value of \mbox{mask} is a bitmask specifying which buffers to clear.
	Example:
	gl.clear(
	gl.DEPTH_BUFFER_BIT
	gl.STENCIL_BUFFER_BIT
	gl.COLOR_BUFFER_BIT
);

Table B-16 continued

Tuble B 10 continued	
Function	Description
gl.clearColor(Sets the color used to clear the color buffer.
float red,	
float green,	
float blue,	
float alpha	
)	
gl.lineWidth(Sets the width of rendered lines.
float width	
)	
gl.scissor(Sets the scissor box.
int x,	The \boldsymbol{x} and \boldsymbol{y} values specify the upper-left corner of the scissor
int y,	box. The width and height values specify the dimensions.
int width,	
int height	
)	
gl.sampleCoverage(Sets multisample coverage parameters.
float value,	The value of invert specifies whether the coverage masks are
boolean invert	inverted.
)	
gl.getError()	Returns an ${\tt enum}$ value indicating the error status of the last executed WebGL command.
	Possible return values are gl.INVALID_ENUM, gl.INVALID_VALUE, gl.INVALID_OPERATION, gl.OUT_OF_MEMORY, gl.CONTEXT_LOST_WEBGL, and gl.INVALID_FRAMEBUFFER_OPERATION.
gl.hint(Sets hints for the implementation.
enum target,	The value of target must be gl.GENERATE_MIPMAP_HINT.
enum mode	Valid values for mode are gl.DONT_CARE, gl.FASTEST, and
)	gl.NICEST.
gl.getSupportedExtensions()	Returns an array of strings, listing the supported extensions.

Function	Description
gl.getExtension(Returns an object if the extension with the specified name is
string name	supported; otherwise returns null.
)	
<pre>gl.getContextAttributes()</pre>	Returns the WebGLContextAttributes object specified when creating the webgl context.
gl.isContextLost()	Returns true if the webgl context is lost and must be re-created, for example, due to power events on mobile devices.
gl.getParameter(Returns the value of the WebGL parameter with the name
enum pname	pname. See Table B-17 for valid pname values.
)	

Parameters

 $Table \ B-17 \ lists \ the \ parameters \ that \ can \ be \ accessed \ with \ the \ gl.get \ Parameter \ () \ method.$

Table B-17 Parameters

Parameter name	Description
gl.ACTIVE_TEXTURE	An int value indicating the active texture unit. See gl.activeTexture() in Table B-10.
gl.ALIASED_LINE_WIDTH_RANGE	A Float32Array with two elements: the smallest and largest supported line widths for aliased lines.
gl.ALIASED_POINT_SIZE_RANGE	A Float32Array with two elements: the smallest and largest supported point sizes for aliased points.
gl.ALPHA_BITS	The number of alpha bitplanes in the current color buffer.
gl.ARRAY_BUFFER_BINDING	The WebGLBuffer object currently bound to the gl.ARRAY_BUFFER target. See gl.bindBuffer() in Table B-4.
gl.BLEND	A boolean value indicating whether blending is enabled. See gl.enable() in Table B-16.
gl.BLEND_COLOR	A Float32Array with four elements: the red, green, blue, and alpha components of the blend color. See gl.blendColor() in Table B-11.
gl.BLEND_DST_ALPHA	The enum value of the destination alpha blend function. See gl.blendFuncSeparate() in Table B-11.
gl.BLEND_DST_RGB	The enum value of the destination RGB blend function. See gl.blendFuncSeparate() in Table B-11.

Table B-17 continued

Table B-17 continued	
Function	Description
gl.BLEND_EQUATION_ALPHA	The enum value of the alpha blend equation. See gl.blendEquationSeparate() in Table B-11.
gl.BLEND_EQUATION_RGB	The enum value of the RGB blend equation. See gl.blendEquationSeparate() in Table B-11.
gl.BLEND_SRC_ALPHA	The enum value of the source alpha blend function. See gl.blendFuncSeparate() in Table B-11.
gl.BLEND_SRC_RGB	The enum value of the source RGB blend function. See gl.blendFuncSeparate() in Table B-11.
gl.BLUE_BITS	The number of blue bitplanes in the current color buffer.
gl.COLOR_CLEAR_VALUE	A Float32Array with four elements: the red, green, blue, and alpha components of the color used to clear the color buffer. See gl.clearColor() in Table B-16.
gl.COLOR_WRITEMASK	An array with four boolean values indicating whether the writing to the red, green, blue, and alpha components of the color buffer is enabled. See gl.colorMask() in Table B-15.
gl.COMPRESSED_TEXTURE_FORMATS	Always null because WebGL does not support any compressed texture formats.
gl.CULL_FACE	A boolean value indicating whether face culling is enabled. See gl.enable() in Table B-16.
gl.CULL_FACE_MODE	The enum value of the current face culling mode. See gl.cullFace() in Table B-16.
gl.CURRENT_PROGRAM	The active WebGLProgram object. See gl.useProgram() in Table B-6.
gl.DEPTH_BITS	The number of bitplanes in the current depth buffer.
gl.DEPTH_CLEAR_VALUE	A float value indicating the depth value used to clear the depth buffer. See gl.clearDepth() in Table B-13.
gl.DEPTH_FUNC	The enum value of the depth comparison function. See gl.depthFunc() in Table B-13.
gl.DEPTH_RANGE	A Float32Array with two elements indicating the depth range in the depth buffer. See gl.depthRange() in Table B-13.
gl.DEPTH_TEST	A boolean value indicating whether depth testing is enabled. See gl.enable() in Table B-16.
gl.DEPTH_WRITEMASK	A boolean value indicating whether writing to the depth buffer is enabled. See gl.depthMask() in Table B-13.
gl.DITHER	A boolean value indicating whether fragment dithering is enabled. See gl.enable() in Table B-16.

The WebGLBuffer object currently bound to the gl.ELEMENT_ARRAY_BUFFER target. See gl.bindBuffer() in Table B-4. The currently bound WebGLFramebuffer object. See gl.bindFramebuffer() in Table B-15.
,
An enum value indicating the triangle winding direction. See gl.frontFace() in Table B-16.
The enum value of the mipmap generation hint mode. See gl.hint() in Table B-16.
The number of green bitplanes in the current color buffer.
A float value indicating the current line width. See gl.lineWidth() in Table B-16.
The maximum supported texture units in the vertex shader and fragment shader combined. The value is at least 8.
An estimate of the largest cube map texture size. The value is at least 16.
The maximum number of four-element uniform variables in the fragment shader. The value is at least 16.
The largest supported width and height for the render buffer. The value is at least 1.
The maximum supported texture units in the fragment shader. The value is at least 8.
An estimate of the largest texture size. The value is at least 64.
The maximum number of four-element varying variables in the vertex and fragment shader. The value is at least 8.
The maximum number of four-element vertex attributes available in the vertex shader. The value is at least 8.
The maximum supported texture units in the vertex shader. Can be 0.
The maximum number of four-element uniform variables in the vertex shader. The value is at least 128.
An Int32Array with two elements: the maximum width and height of the viewport.
Always 0 because WebGL does not support any compressed texture formats.
An int value indicating the byte alignment used when writing pixel data to memory. See gl.pixelStorei() in Table B-15.

Table B-17 continued

Table B-11 Continued	
Function	Description
gl.POLYGON_OFFSET_FACTOR	The float scaling factor used for polygon offset. See gl.polygonOffset() in Table B-13.
gl.POLYGON_OFFSET_FILL	A boolean value indicating whether polygon offset mode is enabled for fill mode. See gl.enable() in Table B-16.
gl.POLYGON_OFFSET_UNITS	The float value that is used to create a constant depth offset. See gl.polygonOffset() in Table B-13.
gl.RED_BITS	The number of red bitplanes in the current color buffer.
gl.RENDERBUFFER_BINDING	The currently bound WebGLRenderbuffer object. See gl.bindRenderbuffer() in Table B-14.
gl.RENDERER	A string containing the name of the renderer.
gl.SAMPLE_BUFFERS	An int value indicating the number of sample buffers associated with the current frame buffer.
gl.SAMPLE_COVERAGE_INVERT	A boolean value indicating whether the coverage value should be inverted. See gl.sampleCoverage() in Table B-16.
gl.SAMPLE_COVERAGE_VALUE	A float value indicating the current coverage value. See gl.sampleCoverage() in Table B-16.
gl.SAMPLES	An int value indicating the coverage mask size of the current frame buffer.
gl.SCISSOR_BOX	An Int32Array with four elements: the x, y, width, and height values of the current scissor box. See gl.scissor() in Table B-16.
gl.SCISSOR_TEST	A boolean value indicating whether scissor testing is enabled. See gl.enable() in Table B-16.
gl.SHADING_LANGUAGE_VERSION	A string containing the version of the shader language used in the implementation. Example: WebGL GLSL ES 1.0
gl.STENCIL_BACK_FAIL	The enum value of the operation used for back-facing polygons when the stencil test fails. See gl.stencilOpSeparate() in Table B-12.
gl.STENCIL_BACK_FUNC	The enum value of the comparison function used for backfacing polygons. See gl.stencilFuncSeparate() in Table B-12.
gl.STENCIL_BACK_PASS_DEPTH_FAIL	The enum value of the operation used for back-facing polygons when the stencil test passes but the depth test fails. See gl.stencilOpSeparate() in Table B-12.

Function	Description
gl.STENCIL_BACK_PASS_DEPTH_PASS	The enum value of the operation used for back-facing polygons when both the stencil test and depth test pass. See gl.stencilOpSeparate() in Table B-12.
gl.STENCIL_BACK_REF	The reference value used for back-facing polygons. See gl.stencilFuncSeparate() in Table B-12.
gl.STENCIL_BACK_VALUE_MASK	An int mask that is used for back-facing polygons to mask the reference value and stencil buffer before comparison. See gl.stencilFuncSeparate() in Table B-12.
gl.STENCIL_BACK_WRITEMASK	An int mask that controls writing for back-facing polygons. See gl.stencilMaskSeparate() in Table B-12.
gl.STENCIL_BITS	The number of bitplanes in the stencil buffer.
gl.STENCIL_CLEAR_VALUE	The int index value used to clear the stencil buffer. See gl.clearStencil() in Table B-12.
gl.STENCIL_FAIL	The enum value of the operation used for front-facing polygons when the stencil test fails. See gl.stencilOpSeparate() in Table B-12.
gl.STENCIL_FUNC	The enum value of the comparison function used for front-facing polygons. See gl.stencilFuncSeparate() in Table B-12.
gl.STENCIL_PASS_DEPTH_FAIL	The enum value of the operation used for front-facing polygons when the stencil test passes but the depth test fails. See gl.stencilOpSeparate() in Table B-12.
gl.STENCIL_PASS_DEPTH_PASS	The enum value of the operation used for front-facing polygons when both the stencil test and depth test pass. See gl.stencilOpSeparate() in Table B-12.
gl.STENCIL_REF	The reference value used for front-facing polygons. See gl.stencilFuncSeparate() in Table B-12.
gl.STENCIL_TEST	A boolean value indicating whether stencil testing is enabled. See gl.enable() in Table B-16.
gl.STENCIL_VALUE_MASK	An int mask used for front-facing polygons to mask the reference value and stencil buffer before comparison. See gl.stencilFuncSeparate() in Table B-12.
gl.STENCIL_WRITEMASK	An int mask that controls writing for front-facing polygons. See gl.stencilMaskSeparate() in Table B-12.
gl.SUBPIXEL_BITS	An estimate of the number of subpixel bits. The value is at least 4.
gl.TEXTURE_BINDING_2D	The WebGLTexture object currently bound to the gl.TEXTURE_2D target. See gl.bindTexture() in Table B-10.

Table B-17 continued

Function	Description
gl.TEXTURE_BINDING_CUBE_MAP	The WebGLTexture object currently bound to the gl.TEXTURE_CUBE_MAP target. See gl.bindTexture() in Table B-10.
gl.UNPACK_ALIGNMENT	An int value indicating the byte alignment used when reading pixel data from memory. See gl.pixelStorei() in Table B-15.
gl.UNPACK_COLORSPACE_ CONVERSION_WEBGL	The enum value of the colorspace conversion used when loading image data. Initially set to gl.BROWSER_DEFAULT_WEBGL. See gl.pixelStorei() in Table B-15.
gl.UNPACK_FLIP_Y_WEBGL	A boolean value indicating whether texture image data is flipped along the vertical axis. See gl.pixelStorei() in Table B-15.
gl.UNPACK_PREMULTIPLY_ALPHA_ WEBGL	A boolean value indicating whether the alpha channel is multiplied into the RGB channels when loading image data. See gl.pixelStorei() in Table B-15.
gl.VENDOR	A string containing the name of the company responsible for the implementation.
gl.VERSION	A string containing the WebGL version used in the implementation. Example: WebGL 1.0
gl.VIEWPORT	An Int32Array with four elements: the x, y, width, and height values of the current viewport. See gl.viewport() in Table B-9.