



SI4 - CRÉATION DE MONDES VIRTUELS

INTRODUCTION TO 3D WORLDS

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1. Course overview
2. Fundamentals in computer graphics
3. 3D worlds and tools to create them
4. 3D modeling with Blender

COURSE OVERVIEW

By the end of this course, you will have:

1. Global understanding of the processes that allow one to go from idea to fully fledged 3D worlds
2. Synergy with domains of design, user experience, and interaction
3. Created an interactive 3D demonstration

In short: the knowledge that will enable you to pursue further advanced study and a professional research or industrial career in domains relevant to 3D virtual worlds.

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What this course will not teach:

1. Virtual and augmented reality (SI5-IHM)
2. How to make video games
3. How to become a 3D animator

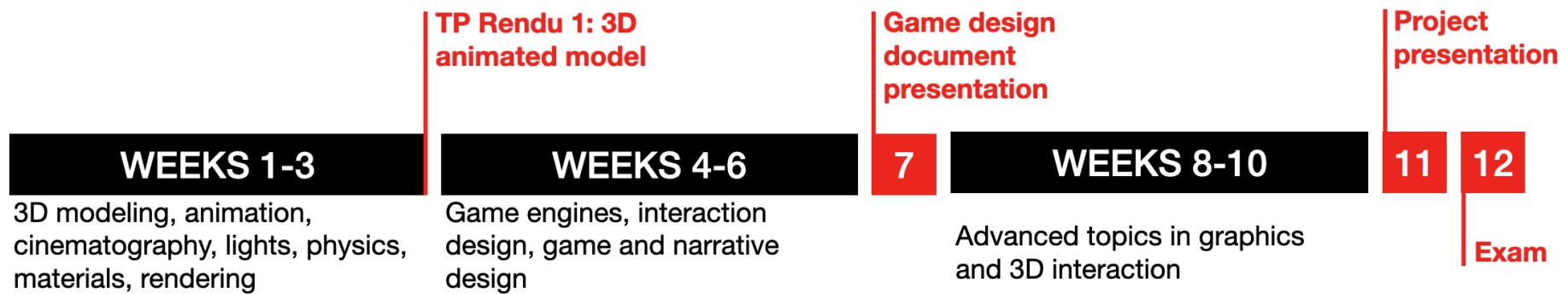
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In this course, you need to:

1. Submit two practicals (rendus TD) - 20%
2. Complete a team project - 40%
3. Pass an exam - 40%

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Key rules:

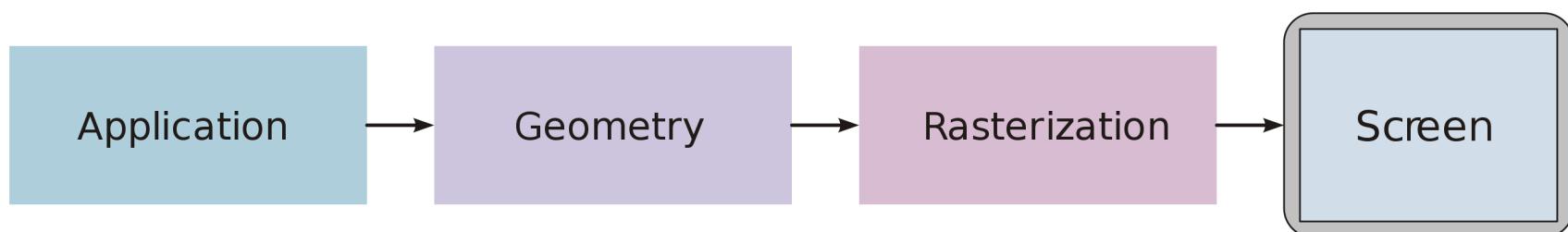
1. Objective score: 0-15, subjective score: 15+
2. Plagiarism = 0 (1st time the assignment, 2nd time the course)
3. Copying = score / N (where N = number of people involved)

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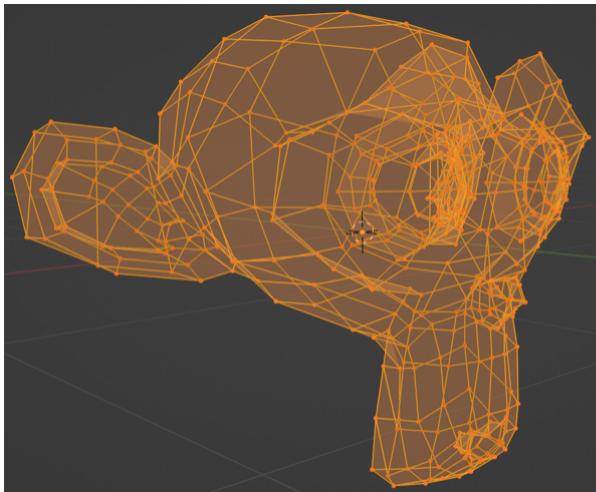
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The **graphics pipeline** concerns rendering a 3D scene onto a 2D screen. It is composed of four steps:

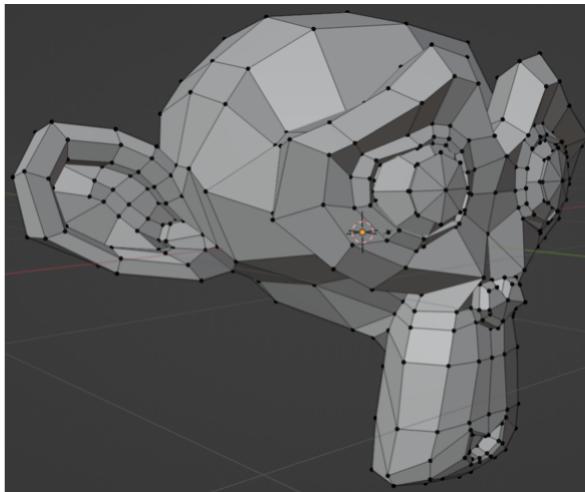


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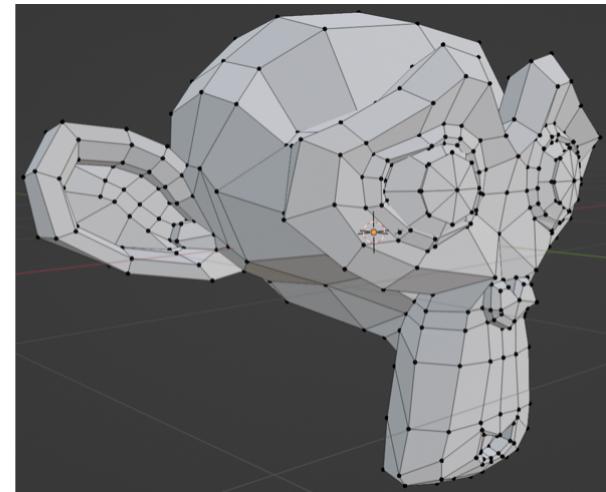
The **application step** concerns all that happen in the 3D world: user inputs, collisions, animations, physics, etc. and calculates the geometric primitives (triangles, vertices, edges ...) for the geometry step.



GEOMETRY



LIGHTING



VIEWPORT

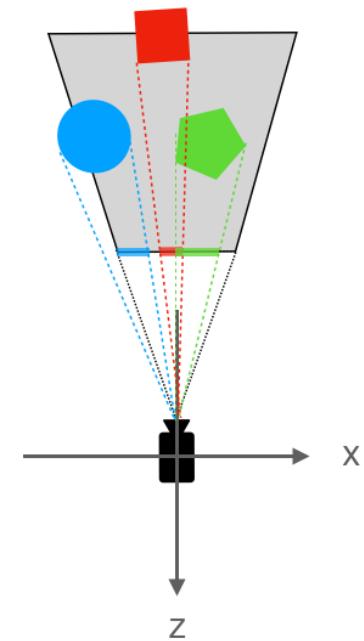
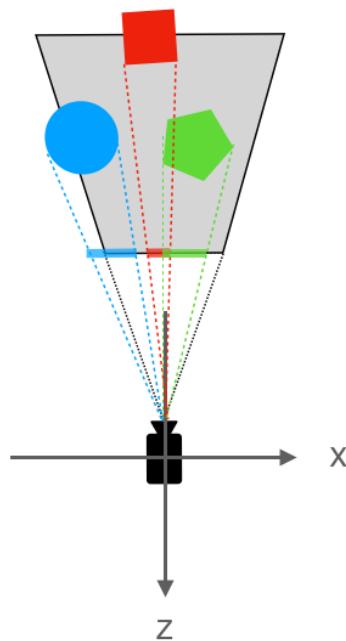
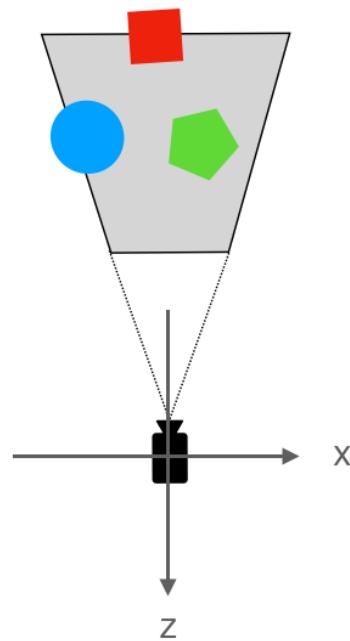
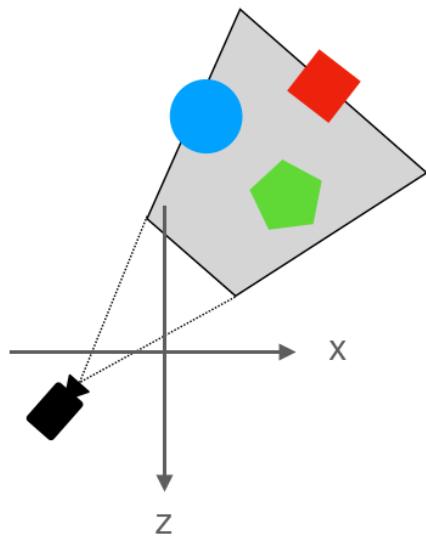
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The **geometry step** prepares the primitives from the previous step by:

- Transforming the 3D model into world coordinates
- Calculating the lighting (with raytracing for example)
- Projecting the 3D model into the visual volume (frustum)
- Clipping forms outside of the frustum
- Transforming the frustum into the 2D window (viewport)

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The geometry step visualized:



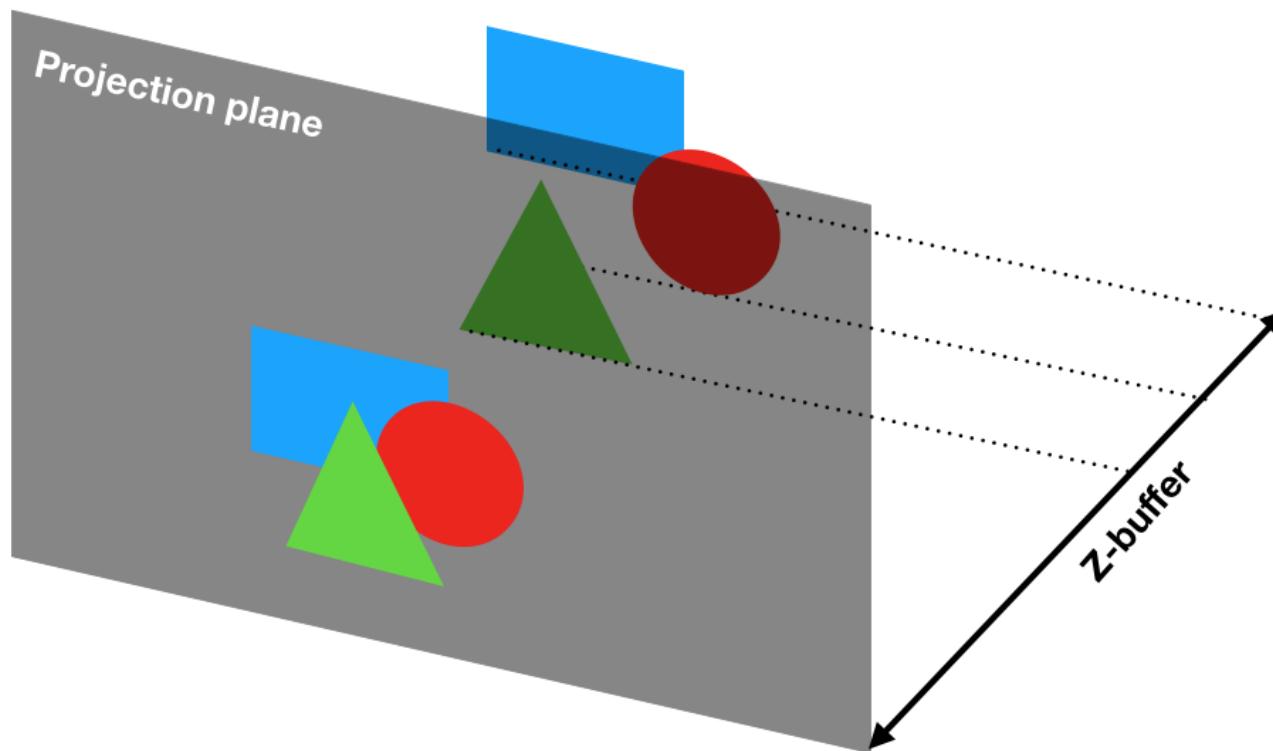
Transform

Projection

Clipping & occlusion

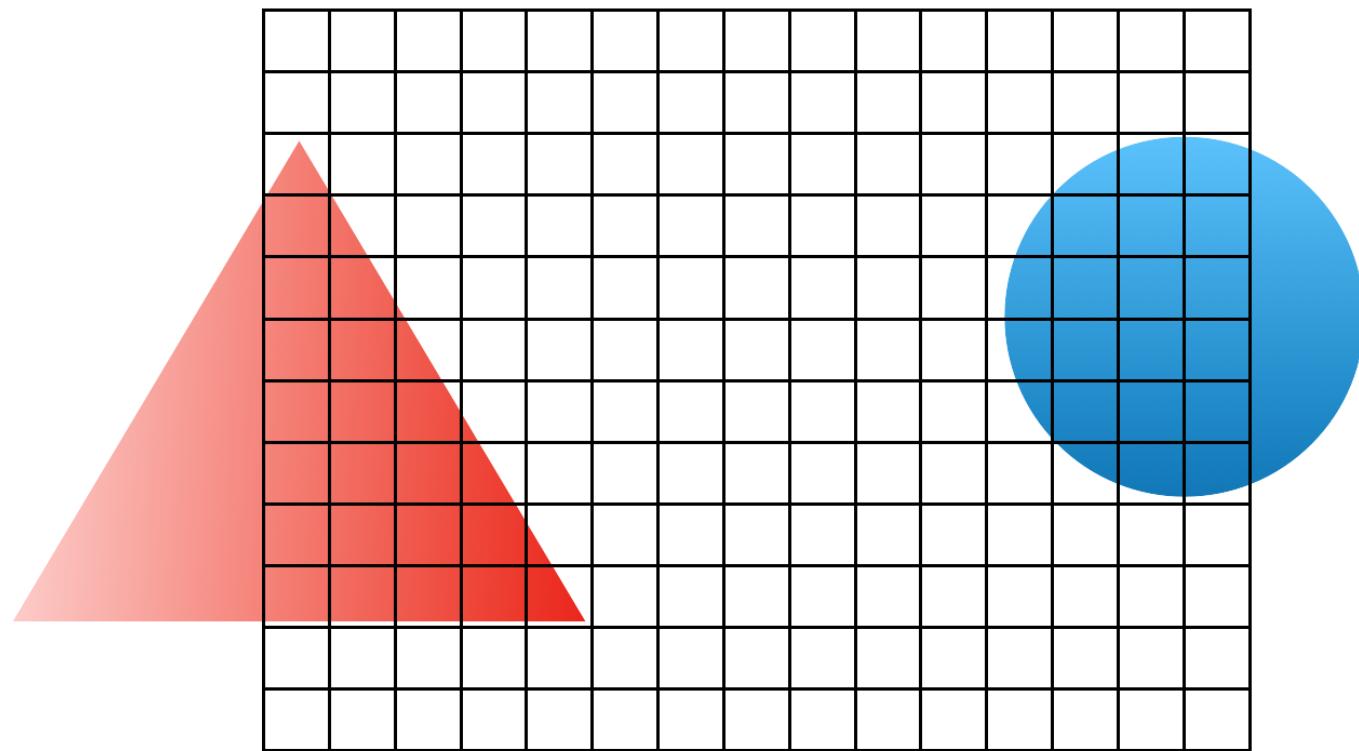
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The **rasterization step** then calculates for each primitive the colors on the 2D viewport, and uses the Z-buffer to determine the occlusion.



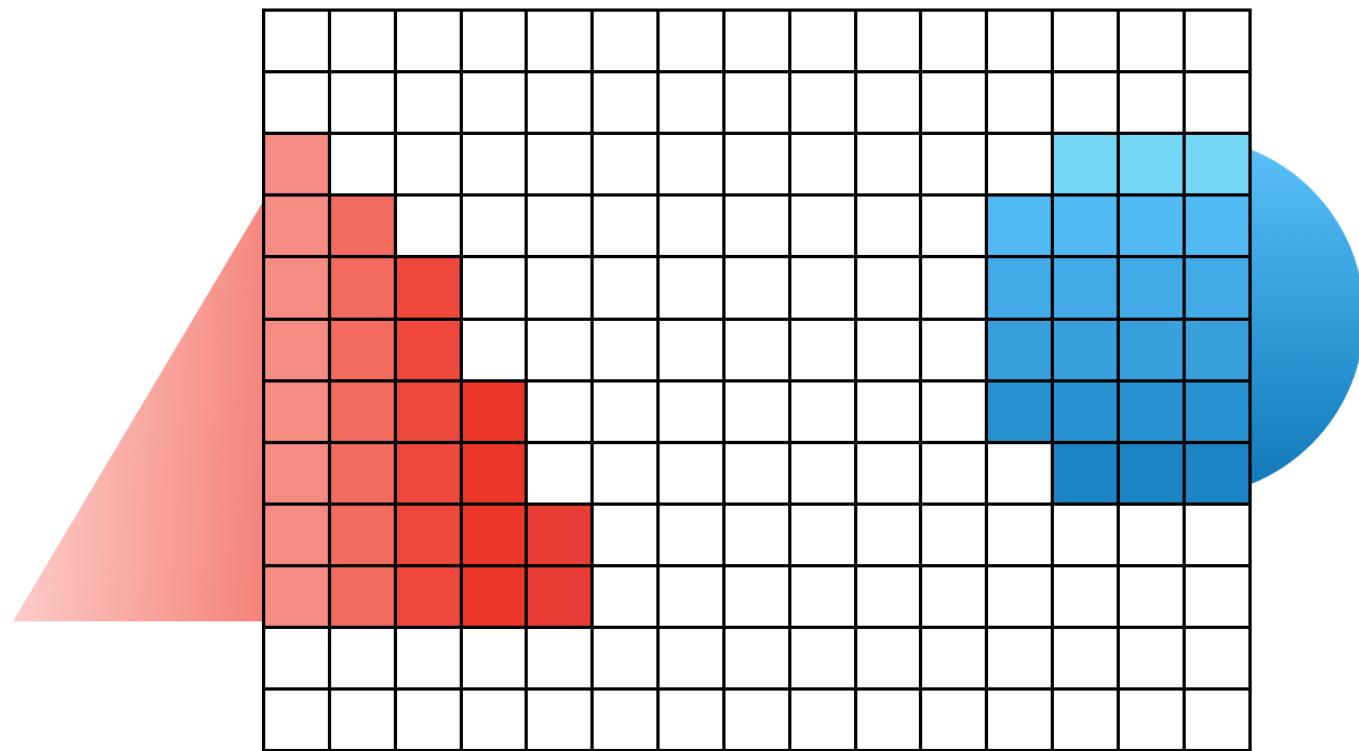
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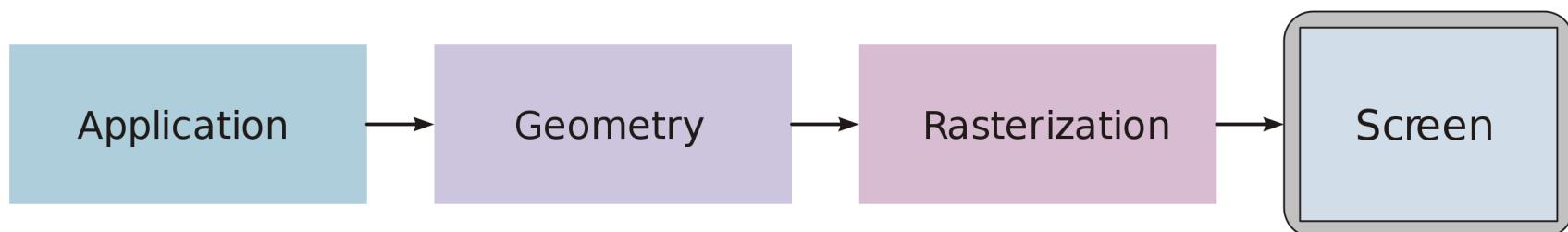
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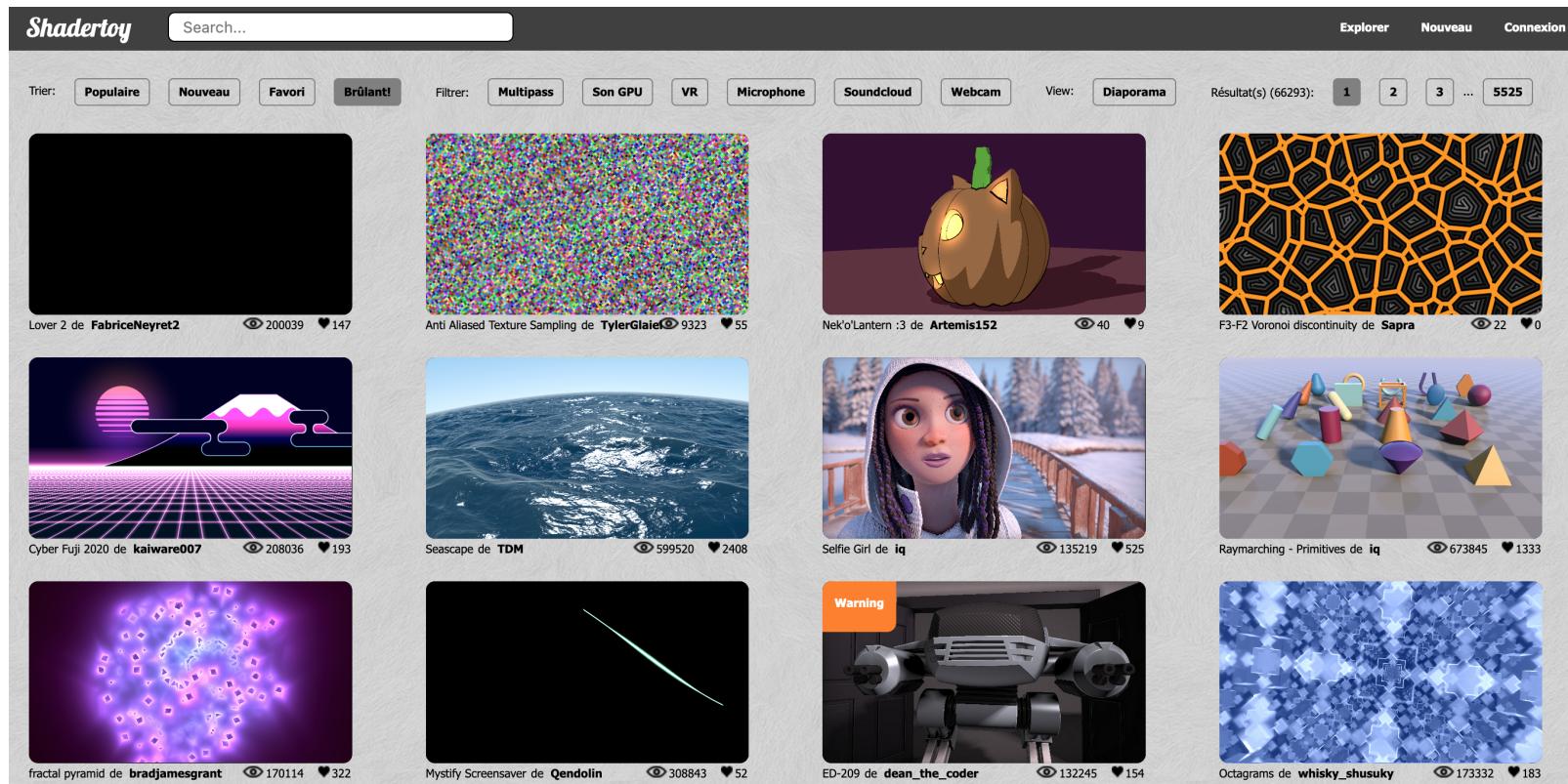
This course only deals with the application step.

So why talk about rendering in detail? Art, realism, efficiency -- the gap between the worlds we imagine and the final result



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[Shadertoy](#): cool stuff that the community is doing



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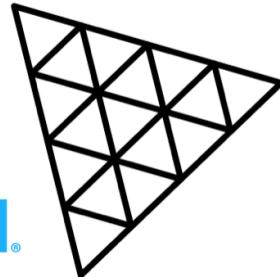
Important topics in the region

- Photorealistic rendering, animation, simulation (Inria GRAPHDECO)
- Geometric modeling, physics (Inria TITANE)
- Extended Reality, user experience, accessibility (Inria BIOVISION)
- XR2C2, MAJIC

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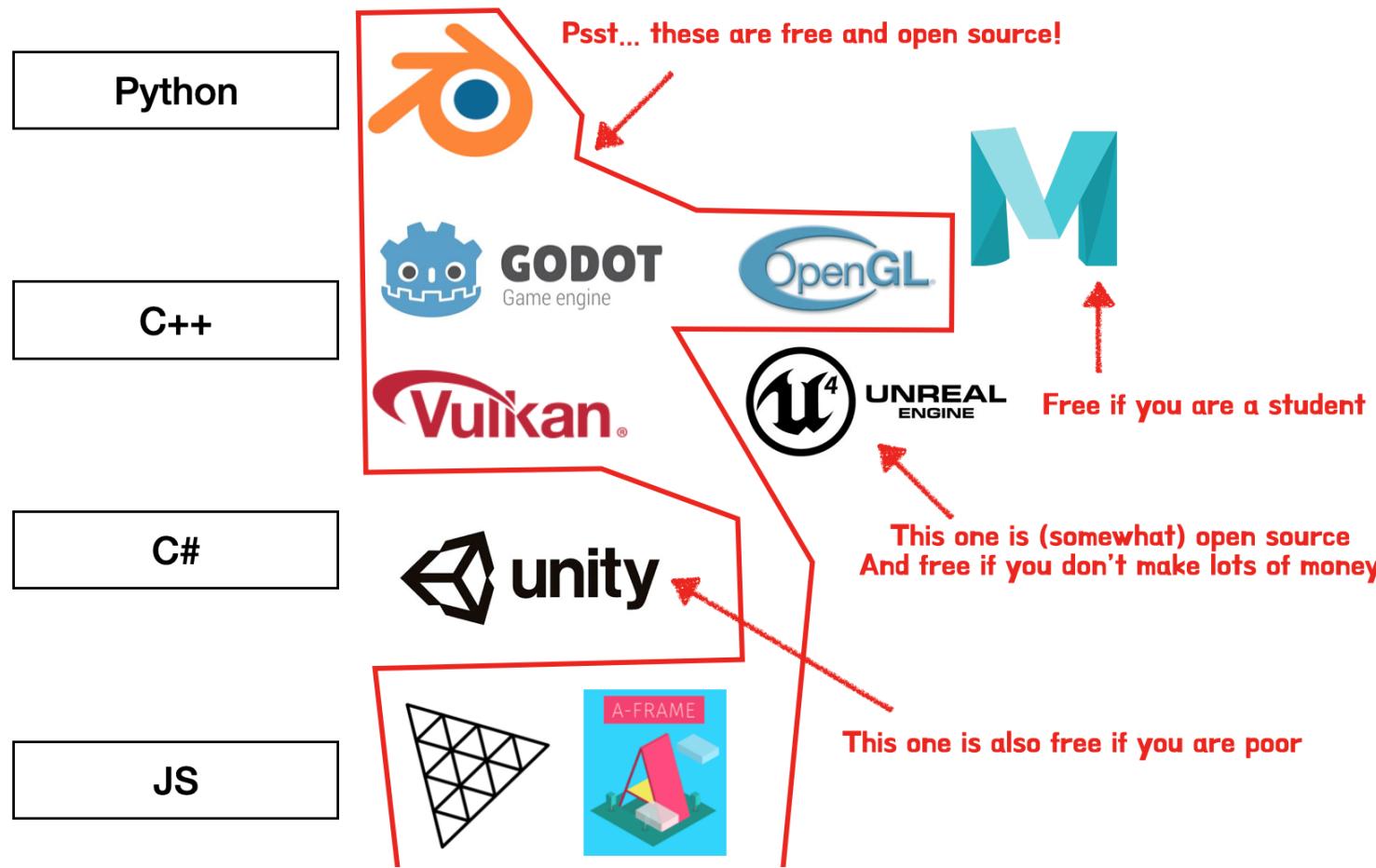
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3D WORLDS AND TOOLS TO CREATE THEM

Application		Graphics			
Media & Entertainment	Modeling and animation	Game engines		A-FRAME	
	 Blender	 Maya	 GODOT Game engine		
Architecture & Engineering	 3DS Max	 FreeCAD	 unity		 Three.js
			 UNREAL ENGINE		

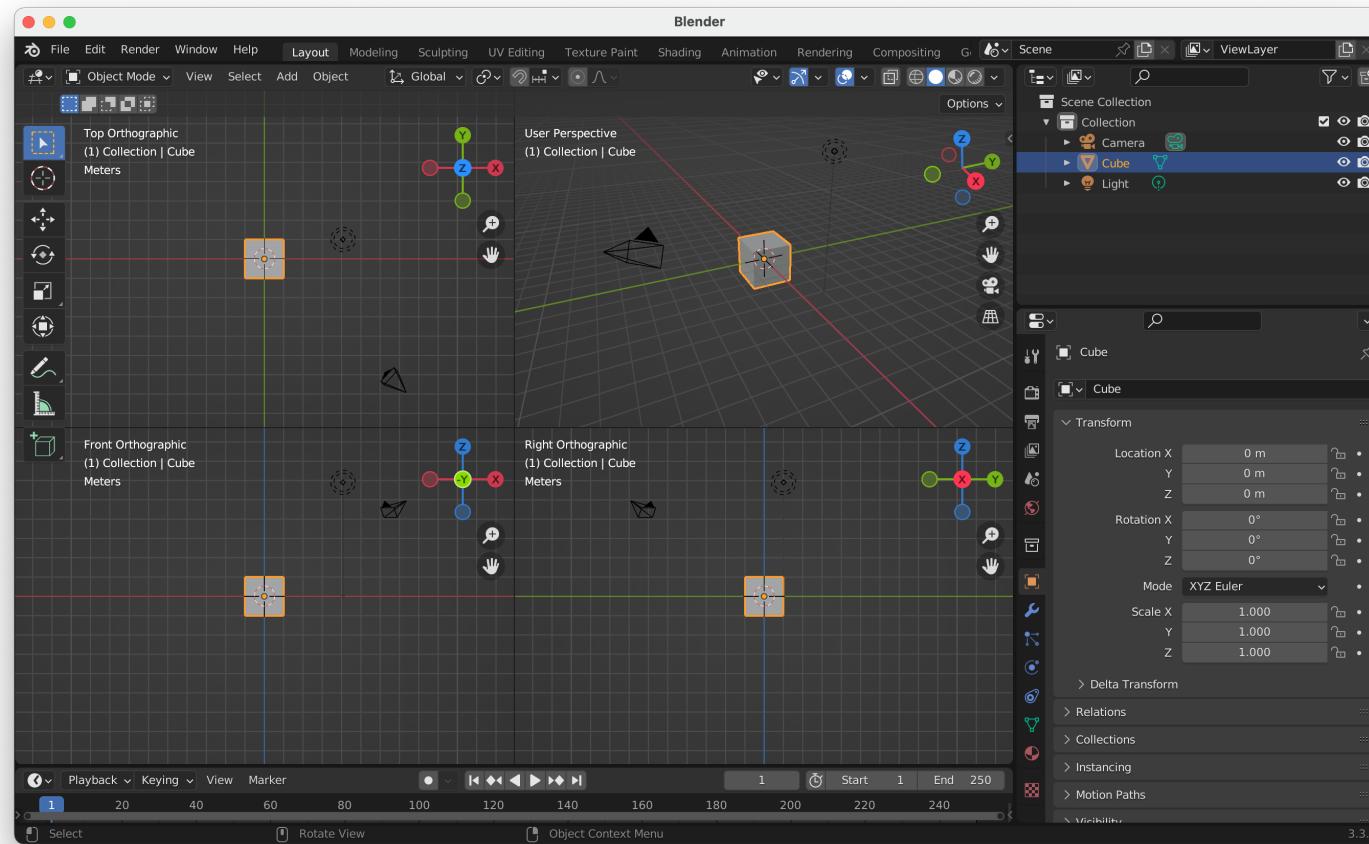
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FOSS (Free Open Source Software)



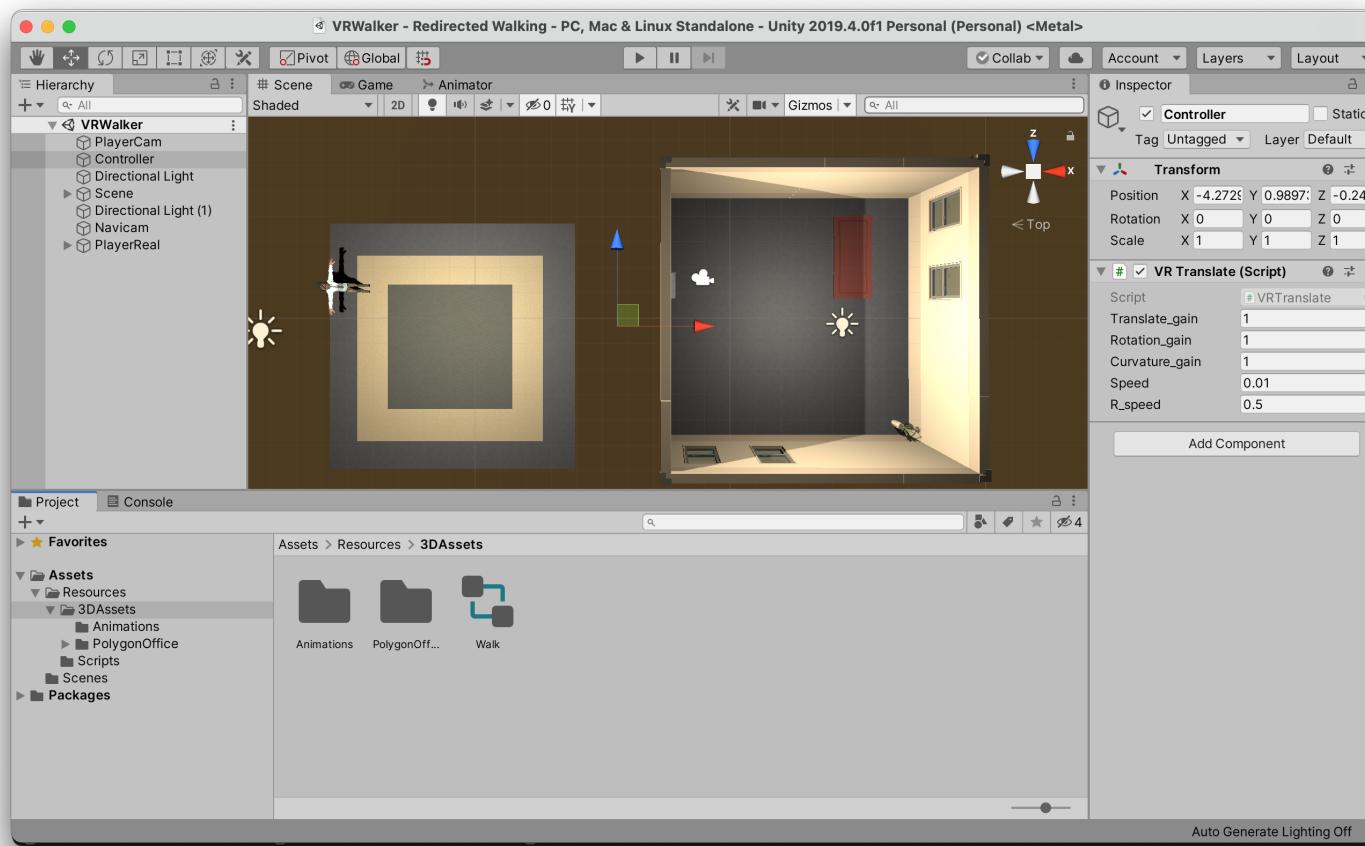
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First look at 3D software



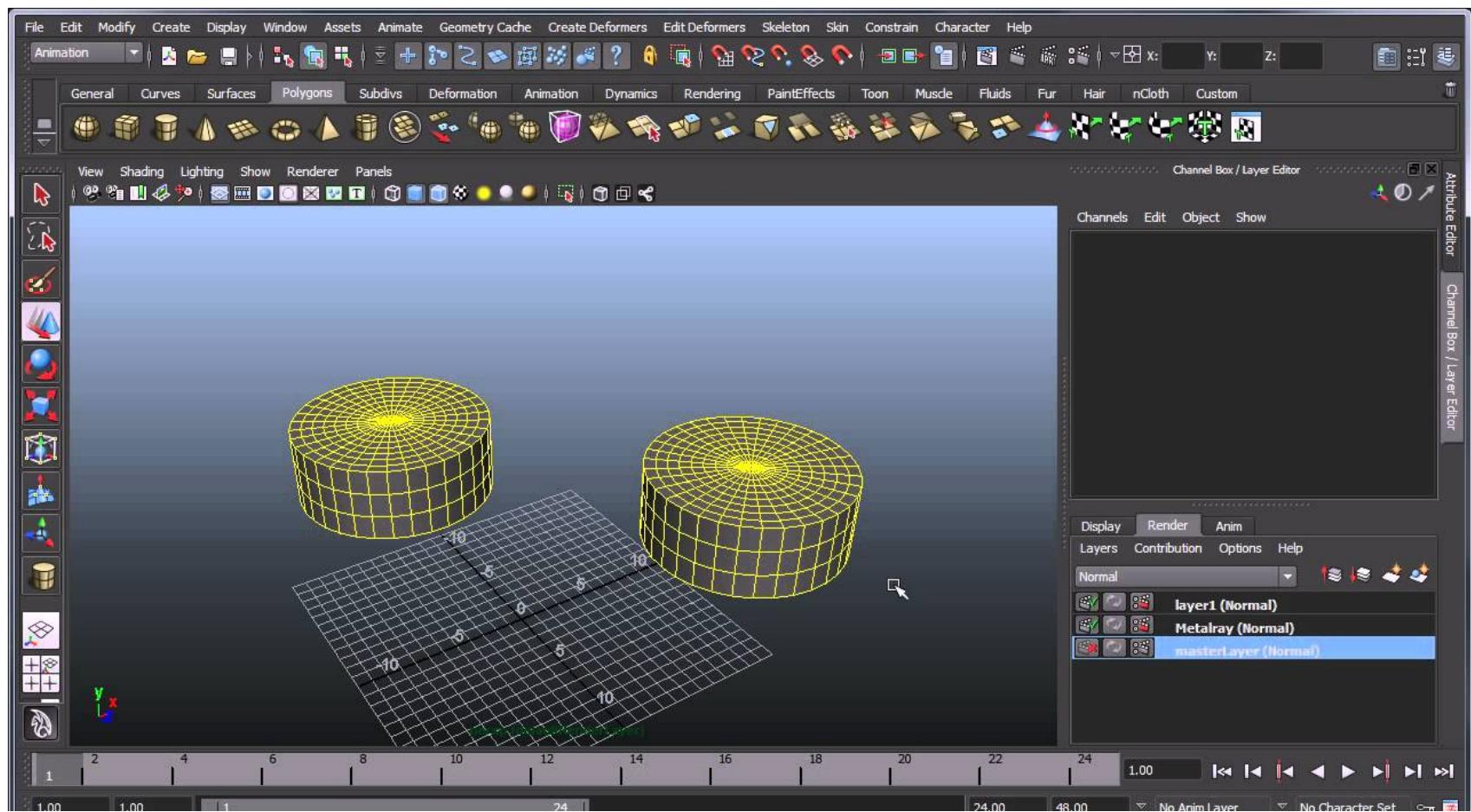
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3D WORLDS AND TOOLS TO CREATE THEM

First look at 3D software. Features:

- View for 3D environment
- Lots and lots of buttons
 - Timeline
 - Play / Pause
 - Manipulations
 - ...
- Lots and lots of properties
 - Coordinates
 - Materials
 - Scripts
 - ...

3D WORLDS AND TOOLS TO CREATE THEM

Blender

- Goal: create content
- Tools: modeling, lighting, texturing, physics, rigging, animation...
- Scripting: Python
- Output: image, video, 3D models, 3D animations (secondary: interactive experiences)

3D WORLDS AND TOOLS TO CREATE THEM

Unity

- Goal: create (interactive / dynamic) applications
- Tools: asset management, event handling, i/o handling, scene and game views
- Scripting: C#, javascript
- Output: image, video, 3D models, 3D animations (secondary: interactive experiences)

3D WORLDS AND TOOLS TO CREATE THEM

Keys to getting started with 3D environments

- Understanding the purpose of software
- Knowing how to move around in the 3D environment (using keyboard and mouse)
- Familiarizing with the functionalities of the software
- Putting in place or remembering common quick keys
- Lots and lots of trial and error

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TD1 -- DEMO OF BLENDER