

Graphics

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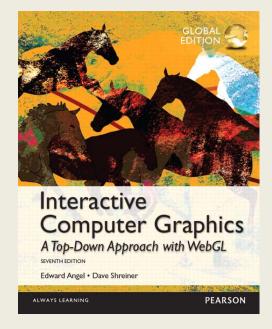


Textbook

Course Textbook:

Interactive Computer Graphics: A Top-Down Approach with WebGL (7th Edition), Edward Angel and Dave Shreiner, Pearson Global

Edition



Grading

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Objectives

- Broad introduction to Computer Graphics
 - Software
 - Hardware
 - Applications
- Top-down approach
- Shader-Based WebGL
 - □ Integrates with HTML5
 - Code runs in latest browsers



Prerequisites

- □ Good programming skills in C (or C++)
- Basic Data Structures
 - Linked lists
 - Arrays
- Geometry
- Simple Linear Algebra



Why is this course different?

- Shader-based
 - Most computer graphics use OpenGL but still use fixedfunction pipeline
 - does not require shaders
 - Does not make use of the full capabilities of the graphics processing unit (GPU)
- Web
 - With HTML5, WebGL runs in the latest browsers
 - makes use of local hardware
 - no system dependencies



References

- Interactive Computer Graphics (7th Edition)
- □ The OpenGL Programmer's Guide (the Redbook) 8th Edition
- OpenGL ES 2.0 Programming Guide
- WebGL Programming Guide
- WebGL Beginner's Guide
- WebGL: Up and Running
- JavaScript: The Definitive Guide



- Introduction
- Text: Chapter 1
 - What is Computer Graphics?
 - Applications Areas
 - History
 - Image formation
 - Basic Architecture



- Basic WebGL Graphics
- ☐ Text: Chapter 2
 - Architecture
 - JavaScript
 - Web execution
 - Simple programs in two and three dimensions
 - Basic shaders and GLSL (OpenGL Shading Language)



- Interaction
- □ Text: Chapter 3
 - Client-Server Model
 - Event-driven programs
 - Event Listeners
 - Menus, Buttons, Sliders
 - Position input



- Three-Dimensional Graphics
- □ Text: Chapters 4-6
 - Geometry
 - Transformations
 - Homogeneous Coordinates
 - Viewing
 - Lighting and Shading



- Discrete Methods
- □ Text: Chapter 7
 - Buffers
 - Pixel Maps
 - Texture Mapping
 - Compositing and Transparency
 - Off-Screen Rendering



- Hierarchy and Procedural Methods
- □ Text: Chapters 9-10
- □ Tree Structured Models
 - Traversal Methods
 - Scene Graphs
 - Particle Systems
 - Agent Based Models

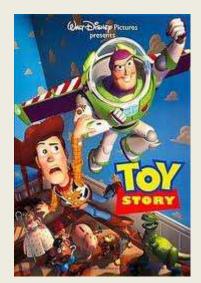


- Advanced Rendering
- ☐ Text: Chapter 12



What is computer graphics?

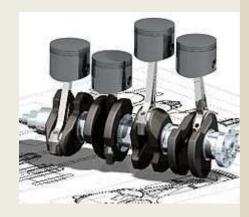
- Graphics created by using computers
 - Representation and manipulation of image data by a computer with help from specialized software and hardware



Toy Story



Dragonage II



Compute Aided Design

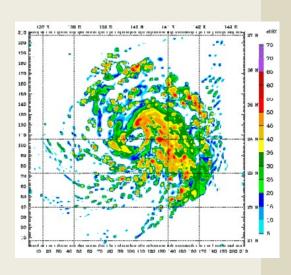


What is computer graphics?

- Computer graphics deals with all aspects of creating images with a computer
 - □ Hardware PC, gaming console, smartphone, ...
 - Software Maya (on top of OpenGL), Lightwave, ...
 - Application movie, computer gaming, design, art, ...

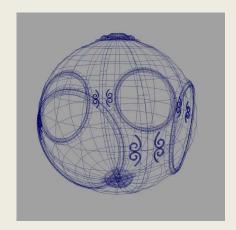








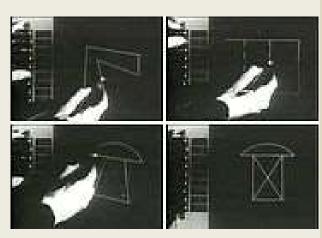
- Wireframe graphics
- SAGE (Semi-Automatic Ground Environment)
- Sutherland's Sketchpad



Wireframe



SAGE Project



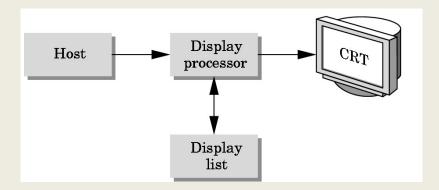
Sutherland's Sketchpad



- Sketchpad
 - Ivan Sutherland's PhD thesis at MIT
 - Recognized the potential of man-machine interaction
 - Even today, many standards of computer graphics interfaces has been inherited from Sketchpad
 - E.g. "select box, location and size" instead of drawing four lines
 - Software to draw objects by using CRT and light pen
 - Display something
 - User moves light pen
 - Computer automatically generates new display in real-time
 - Sutherland also created many of now common algorithms for computer graphics



- Display processor (DPU)
 - Special purpose computer to refresh display



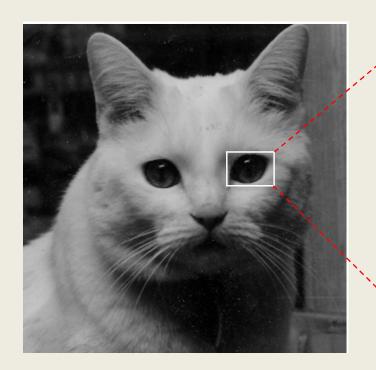
- Graphics stored in display list on display processor
- Host compiles display list and sends to DPU

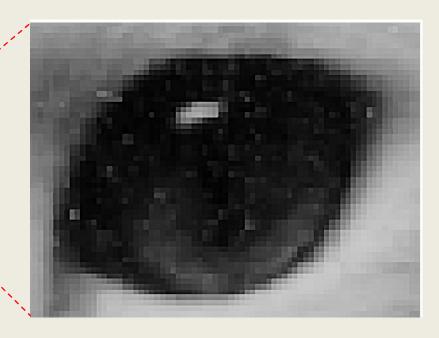


- Raster graphics
- Beginning of graphics standards
 - GKS (Graphical Kernel System)
 - □ First ISO standard for low-level computer graphics (1977)
 - Set of drawing features for 2D vector graphics
- New hardware: workstation and PC



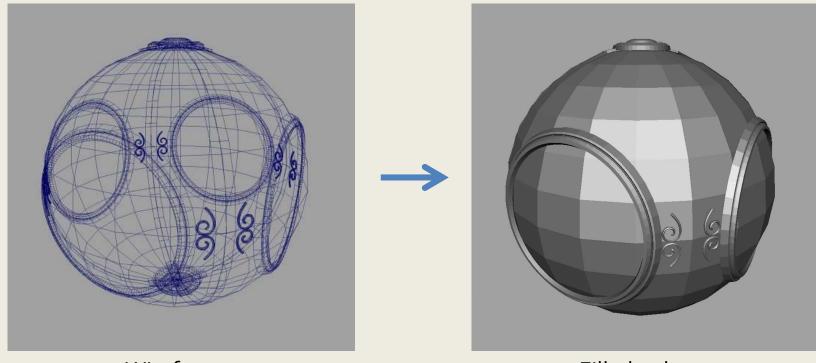
- Raster graphics
 - Image produced as an array (raster) of picture elements (pi xels) in frame buffer







From wireframe graphics to filled polygons



Wireframe

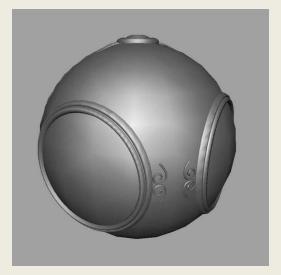
Filled polygons



- New hardware: workstation and PC
 - Workstation
 - Special purpose machine
 - Networked connection: client-server model
 - Dedicated graphics peripherals
 - Display processor, frame buffer, ...
 - PC (personal computer)
 - General purpose machine
 - Non-dedicated graphics peripherals
- Currently, there is no distinction between them



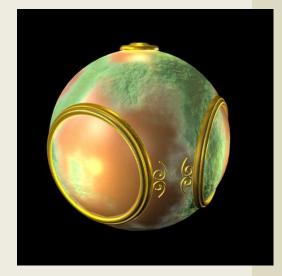
- Realism comes to computer graphics
 - Shading –smoothness with considerations of lighting
 - *Environment mapping* reflection from environments
 - Bump mapping bumps and wrinkles on surface



Shading



Environment mapping



Bump mapping



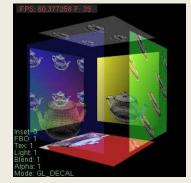
- Special purpose hardware
 - Silicon Graphics geometry engine
 - VLSI implementation of graphics pipeline
- Industry-based standards
 - PHIGS (Programmer's Hierarchical Interactive Graphics System)
 - API standard for rendering 3D computer graphics
 - Implemented as stand-alone systems (DEC PHIGS, IBM graPHIGS , SunPHIGS, ...)
 - Renderman network distributed rendering system
- Networked graphics: X Window System



- OpenGL (Open Graphics Library)
 - Cross-language, cross-platform API for 2D and 3D comput er graphics
 - Developed by Silicon Graphics
 - Widely used in computer-aided design (CAD), scientific visualization, flight simulation and video games

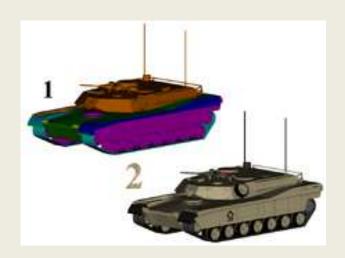
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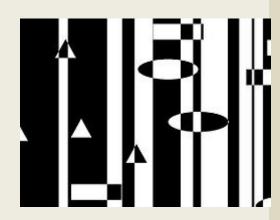
- New hardware capabilities
 - Texture mapping
 - Blending of multiple sources (c.f. transparency)
 - Stencil buffers for visibility control



Texture mapping



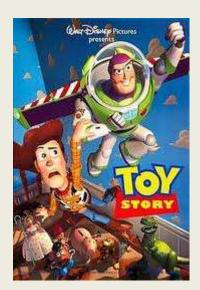
Alpha blending



Stencil buffer



- Completely computer-generated full-length movies are successfully launched
 - Computer-generated actors replaced human actors



Toy Story (1995)



Final Fantasy Movie (2001)



History: 2000-

- Photorealism
- Graphics cards for PCs dominate market
 - NVidia, ATI (now AMD)
- Game consoles and game players determine direction not market
 - PlayStation 3, Xbox 360, Nintendo Wii
- Mobile devices get powerful graphics hardware
 - □ Galaxy S₃, IPhone ₅, ...
- Become popular in movie industry
 - Maya, Lightwave, ...



Bonus

Screenshots of computer games



Wolfenstein 3D (1992)



Quake 2 (1997)



Doom (1993)



Quake 3 (1999)



Quake 1(1996)



Quake 4 (2005)



Bonus

Screenshots of computer games



Crysis 2 (2009)



Battlefield 3(2011)



Mass Effect 2 (2010)

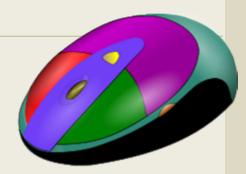


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Applications

- Computer-aided design (CAD)
 - Process of design and documentation
- Computer simulation
 - Simulates an abstract model of system
 - E.g. weather forecasting, typhoon
- Information visualization
 - A way to visualize complex behaviors
- Digital art
 - Artistic works using digital technology









Applications

- Video games
 - Improved reality through stunning 2D / 3D graphics
- Virtual reality
 - Computer-simulated environments
 - Simulate physical presence in places
- Augmented reality
 - Real-world environment
 - Elements are augmented by computergenerated sensory data



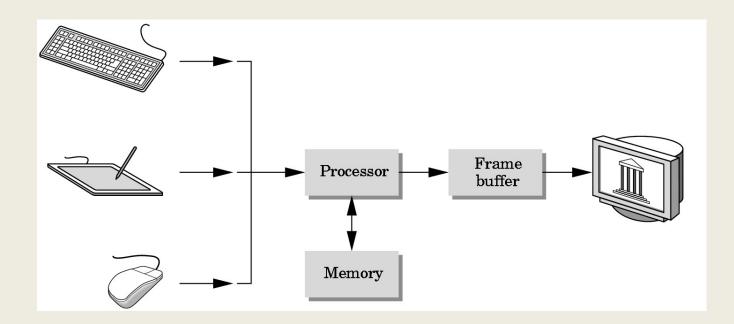




Basic Graphics System



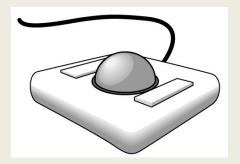
- Basic graphics system
 - Input devices, processor, memory, frame buffer, output de vices



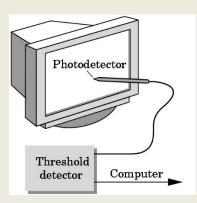


- Input devices
 - Mouse & trackball
 - Converts relative movement into two orthogonal directions



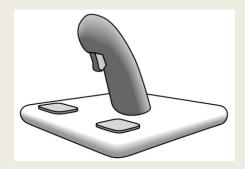


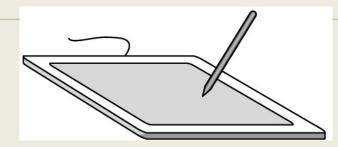
- Light pen
 - Used in Sutherland's Sketchpad
 - Contains light-sensing device
 - Converts lights into absolute position





- Input devices
 - Data tablet
 - Provides absolute position as light pen
 - Sometimes detects how strong light pen is pressed
 - Joystick
 - Motion of stick is converted into two orthogonal directions
 - *Variable-sensitivity device* degree of input strength
 - Well suited for flight simulators and game controllers



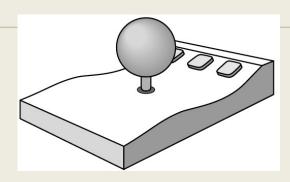




- Input devices
 - Space ball
 - 3-dimensional input device
 - Pressure sensors in the ball measures the forces by the user
 - □ 6 degrees of freedom up/down, left/right, front/back, 3 twists
 - Motion capture device
 - Array of cameras capture lights from small spherical dots

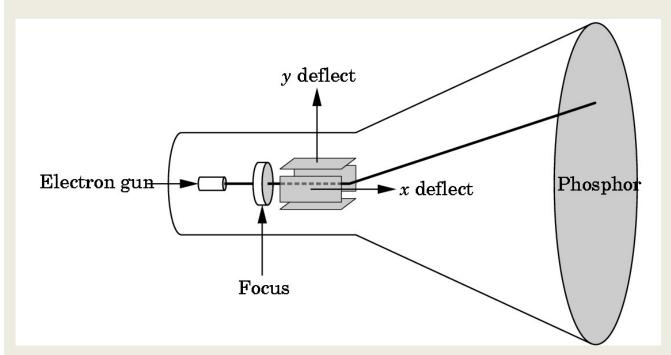








- Output devices
 - CRT (cathode ray tube) (1897~)
 - Vacuum tube containing an electron gun and a fluorescent screen







- Output devices
 - LCD (liquid crystal display)
 - Flat panel display uses the liquid crystals
 - Energy efficient than CRTs
 - Needs backlight
 - Plasma display
 - Flat panel display uses electronically charged ionized gases
 - Brighter, wider color gamut, easier to be produced in large size th an LCDs
 - Needs more energy than LCDs
 - Image burn-in image without movement can burn your TV
 - Large pixel pitch hard to develop high resolution screen



- Output devices
 - LED (light-emitting diode) display
 - □ Flat panel display uses light-emitting diodes
 - LED display is similar to LCD (e.g. backlight)
 - Reduces gap between plasma display
 - OLED (organic light-emitting diode) display
 - Flat panel display uses organic LED
 - Works without backlight
 - Lighter weight, better power efficiency, brighter, wider viewing a ngle than LCDs
 - Possibility of flexible OLED
 - Expensive, organic materials dies blue OLED: 14,000 hours



□ Frame buffer

- A picture is produced as an array (raster) of picture elements (pixels)
- Pixels are stored in a part of memory called frame buffer
- Two specifications for frame buffer
 - Resolution: number of pixels (width x height)
 - Depth (or precision) bits per color component
 - 8 bits / color component = 24 bits / pixel true-color system
 - High dynamic range (HDR) applications more than 24-bits
- Sometimes, frame buffer means multiple buffers
 - Three color buffers for R, G, B components + 3D depth (z-axis)



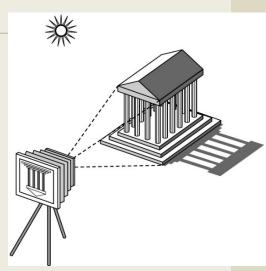
- Processor
 - Earlier system may have only one processor
 - CPU (central processing unit) does both (normal / graphical)
 - More than two processors are usual now
 - CPU does normal processing
 - GPU (special purpose graphics processing units) does graphical processing
 - Most graphics primitives are implemented via hard-wired logics
 - Graphic card embeds frame buffer and GPU directly accesses it
 - GPU has multiple cores inside it GeForce GTX590 (1024 cores)



- Elements of image formation
 - 1) Objects, 2) viewer and 3) light sources
 - They are independent each other

1) Object

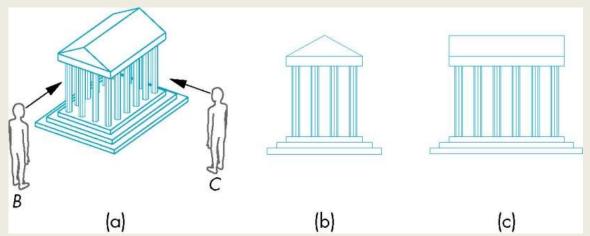
- Exists in space independent of viewer
- In most graphics systems, object is defined (approximately) as a set of locations in space called as vertices
 - E.g. Line can be specified by two vertices
 - E.g. Polygon can be specified by an ordered list of vertices
 - E.g. Sphere can be specified by two vertices giving its center and a ny point on its circumference





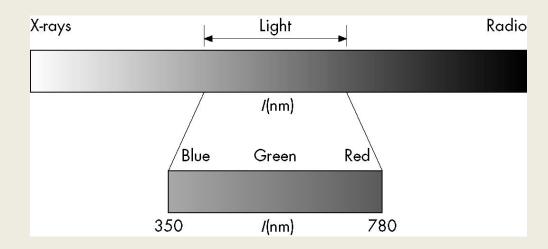
2) Viewer

- Someone who views objects
- Person, camera, digitizer, microscope, ...
- Image (2D) is formed
 - On the back of the eye in human visual system
 - In the film plane in camera
- Obtained image is different according to viewer's position





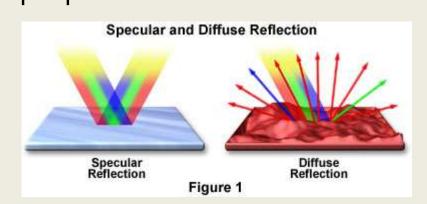
- 3) Light
 - Electromagnetic radiation
 - Characterized by its wavelength
 - Wavelengths of visible spectrum (called as light): are in the range of 350 to 780 nm





Lights and Materials

- Types of lights
 - Point sources vs distributed sources
 - Spot lights
 - Near and far sources
 - Color properties
- Material properties
- Point light Spot light Absorption: color properties
 - Scattering
 - Diffuse
 - Specular



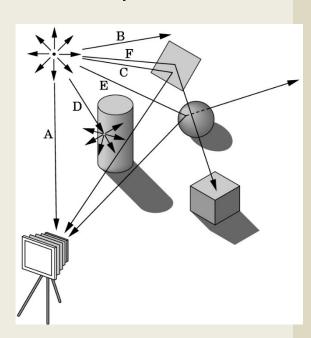


Area light

Directional light



- Ray tracing (or photon mapping)
 - A ray is a semi-infinite line that emanates from a point and travels to infinity in a particular direction
 - Rays of light emanating in all directions from point source
 - Collect all rays reaching film plane
 - Directly come from the source
 - Indirectly come through the objects (reflection, absorption, ...)
 - Good approximation of the world
 - Not good for real-time processing

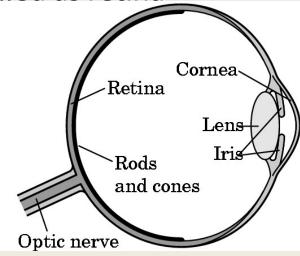


Imaging System



Imaging system

- Human visual system
 - Light enters the eye through lens and cornea
 - Iris controls the amount of light entering the eye
 - Image is formed on 2D structure called as retina
 - Two sensors: *rods* and *cones*
 - Rods: single type for brightness
 - Cones: three types for color
 - Reason why we use three primary colors (e.g. RGB)

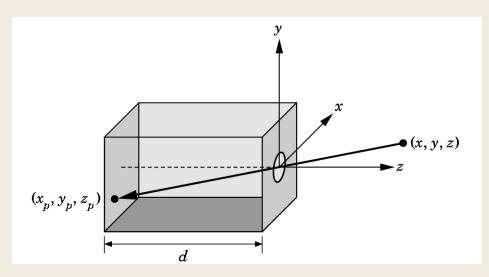




Imaging system

- Pinhole camera
 - Box with a small hole in the center of one side
 - Film is placed on the side opposite the pinhole
 - Relation between positions

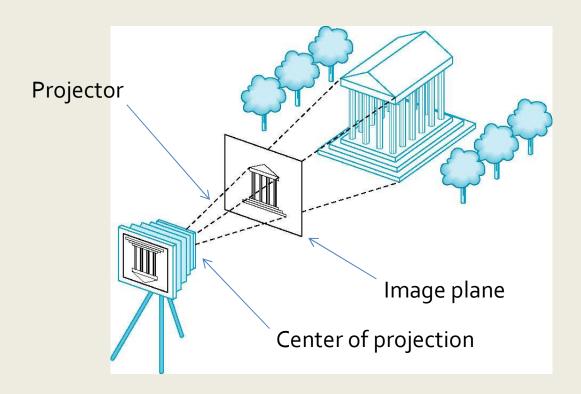
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Synthetic camera model

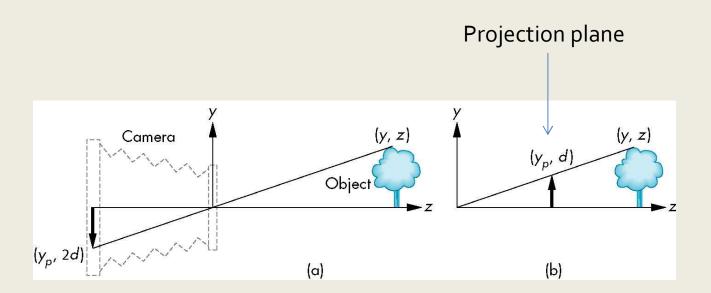
- Paradigm to create computer generated image
 - Similar to forming an image using an optical system





Synthetic camera model

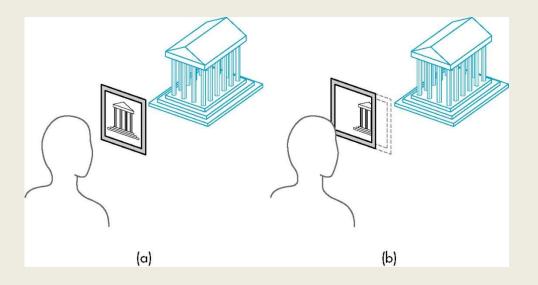
- Define virtual image plane in front of the lens
 - Called as projection plane
 - No need to consider "flipped" property of objects





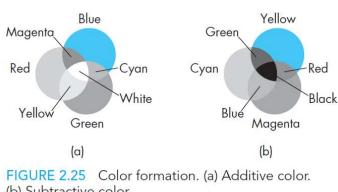
Synthetic camera model

- Clipping window
 - Not all objects can be imaged onto film plane
 - Defines viewing angle located in projection plane
 - We can determine which objects will appear in final image



Additive and Subtractive Color

- Additive color
 - Form a color by adding amounts of three primaries
 - CRTs, projection systems, positive film
 - Primaries are Red (R), Green (G), Blue (B)
- Subtractive color
 - Form a color by filtering white light with cyan (C), Magenta (M), and Yellow (Y) filters
 - Light-material interactions
 - Printing
 - Negative film



Models and Architectures



Objectives

- Learn the basic design of a graphics system
- Introduce pipeline architecture
- Examine software components for an interactive graphics system



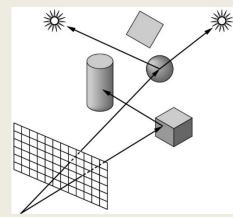
Image Formation Revisited

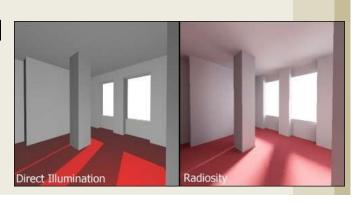
- Can we mimic the synthetic camera model to design graphics hardware software?
- Application Programmer Interface (API)
 - Need only specify
 - Objects
 - Materials
 - Viewer
 - Lights
- But how is the API implemented?



Physical Approaches

- Ray tracing: follow rays of light from center of projection until they either are absorbed by objects or go off to infinity
 - Slow, Great specular, approx. diffuse
 - View dependent
 - Can handle global effects
 - Multiple reflections
 - Translucent objects
 - Must have whole data base available at all times
- Radiosity: Energy based approach
 - Very slow, Great diffuse, specular ignored
 - View independent, mostly-enclosed volumes
- Advanced hybrids
 - Combine them







Graphics architectures

- Most graphics architecture uses pipelining
 - Similar to an assembly line in a car plant
 - Cons: significant delay between starts and ends
 - Pros: throughput (number of produced cars in a given time)
 is much higher than if single team builds each car
- Graphics pipeline
 - Vertex processing, clipping and primitive assembler, rasterizer and fragment processing
 - All steps can be implemented in hardware

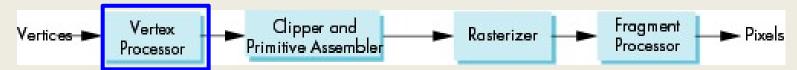


application program

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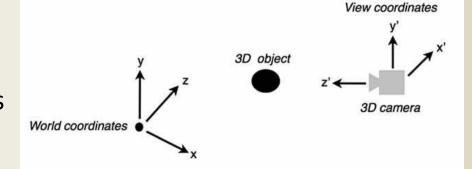
Vertex Processing



 Much of the work in the pipeline is in converting object representations from one coordinate system

to another

- Object coordinates
- Camera (eye) coordinates
- Screen coordinates



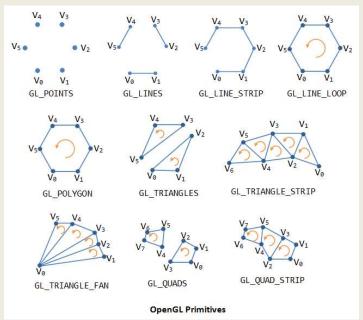
- Every change of coordinates is equivalent to a matrix transformation
- Vertex processor also computes vertex colors



Primitive Assembly



- Mainly due to the computational efficiency
- Vertices must be collected into geometric objects before clipping and rasterization can take place
 - Line segments
 - Polygons
 - Curves and surfaces

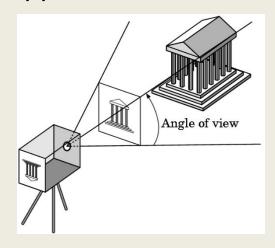


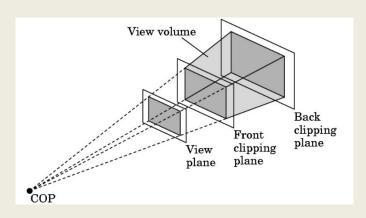


Clipping



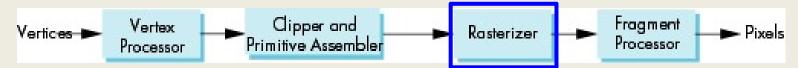
- Just as a real camera cannot "see" the whole world, the virtual camera can only see part of the world or object space
 - Objects that are not within this volume are said to be clipped out of the scene



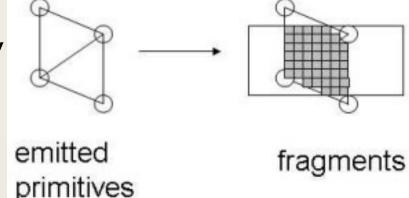




Rasterization



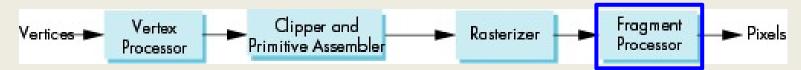
- If an object is not clipped out, the appropriate pixels in the frame buffer must be assigned colors
- Rasterizer produces a set of fragments for each object
- Fragments are "potential pixels"
 - Have a location in frame buffer, color, and depth attributes



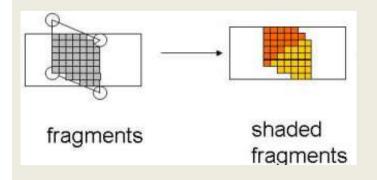
 Vertex attributes are interpolated over objects by the rasterizer

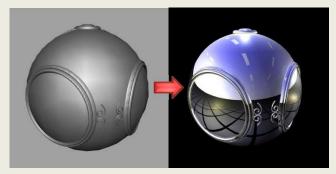


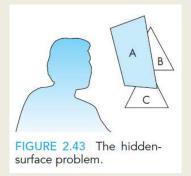
Fragment Processing

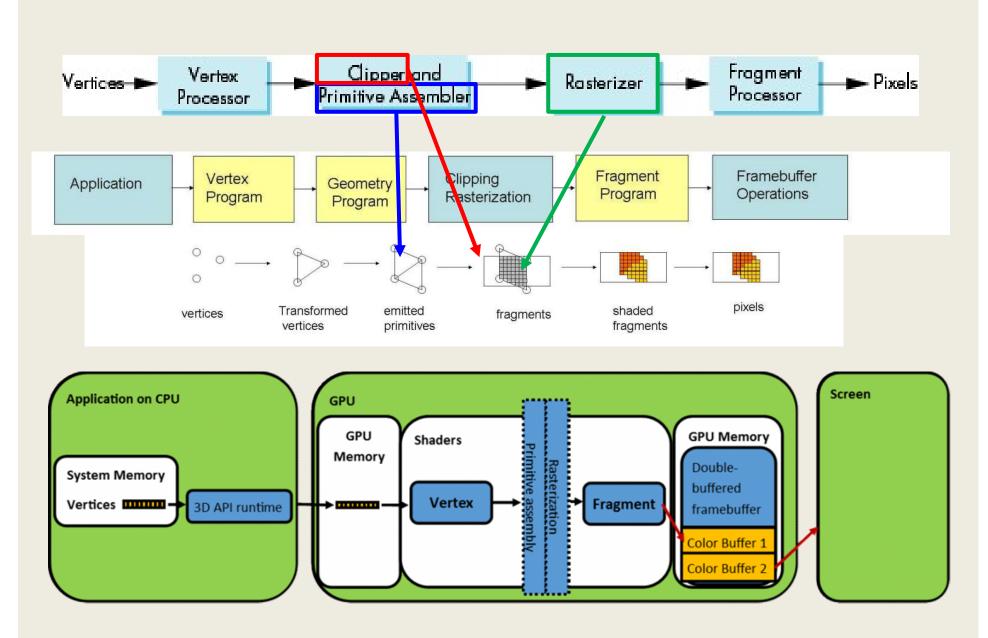


- Fragments are processed to determine the color of the corresponding pixel in the frame buffer
- Colors can be determined by texture mapping or interpolation of vertex colors
- Fragments may be blocked by other fragments closer to the camera
 - Hidden-surface removal









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