# **Data Transfer**

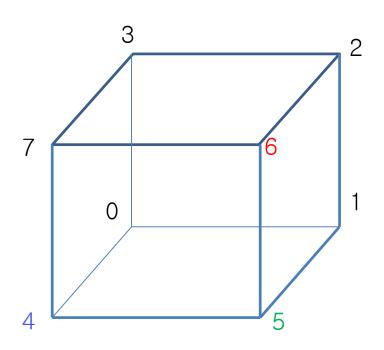




### **Data Transfer Problem**

- Every frame may have to process millions of graphics data:
  - Vertex coordinates, normals, colors, texture coordinates
  - Textures
  - OpenGL commands
- Are there more efficient ways?
  - Yes. OpenGL Extensions have been developed continuously for this purpose.
  - In this class, we study
    - Display list
    - Per vertex data array
    - Abstract Buffer Objects
      - VBO
      - PBO
      - FBO

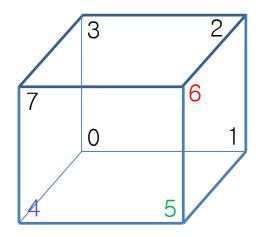
# **Our Example Cube**



# **Drawing the Cube**

24 vertex calls may be required.

```
float v[8][3] = {
            \{-1.f, -1.f, -1.f\}, \{1.f, -1.f\}, \{1.f, -1.f\}, \{-1.f, 1.f, -1.f\}, // back
            {-1.f, -1.f, 1.f}, { 1.f, -1.f, 1.f}, { 1.f, 1.f, 1.f}, {-1.f, 1.f, 1.f}
                                                                                     // front
};
float vv[24][3] = {
                                                                                     // back
            \{-1.f, -1.f, -1.f\}, \{-1.f, 1.f, -1.f\}, \{ 1.f, -1.f\}, \{ 1.f, -1.f\},
                                                                                     // front
            {-1.f, -1.f, 1.f}, { 1.f, -1.f, 1.f}, { 1.f, 1.f, 1.f}, {-1.f, 1.f, 1.f},
            { 1.f, 1.f, -1.f}, {-1.f, 1.f, -1.f}, {-1.f, 1.f, 1.f}, { 1.f, 1.f, 1.f}, // up
            \{-1.f, -1.f, -1.f\}, \{1.f, -1.f, -1.f\}, \{1.f, -1.f, 1.f\}, \{-1.f, -1.f, 1.f\},  // down
            { 1.f, -1.f, -1.f}, { 1.f, 1.f, -1.f}, { 1.f, 1.f, 1.f}, { 1.f, -1.f, 1.f}, // right
            {-1.f, 1.f, -1.f}, {-1.f, -1.f}, {-1.f, -1.f}, {-1.f, 1.f}, {-1.f, 1.f}
                                                                                     // left
};
```



```
glBegin(GL_QUADS);
  for(i=0; i<24; i++) {
    glVertex3fv(vv[i]);
  }
glEnd();</pre>
```

### Extra calls needed

- 24 vertex calls may be required.
  - There can be extra calls for normal, color, and texture.
  - Too many GL command calls in every frame!

```
glBegin(GL_LINES);
    for(int i = 0; i<24; i++)
    {
        glVertex3f(vertices[3*i+ 0], vertices[3*i + 1], vertices[3*i + 2]);
        glColor3f(colors[3*i+ 0], colors[3*i + 1], colors[3*i + 2]);
        glVertex3f(normals[3*i+ 0], normals[3*i + 1], normals[3*i + 2];
    }
glEnd();</pre>
```

# **Display List**

- Keeping a group of OpenGL commands in the device memory
  - Once created & compiled, all the command calls and associated data are copied into the device memory (i.e., GPU's memory)
  - Reduces CPU cycles taken for the transfer

#### Usage

```
// creating a display list
GLuint dlist = glGenLists(1);
// compiling the display list
glNewList(dlist, GL_COMPLIE);
glBegin(GL_QUADS);
...
glEnd();
glEndList();
```

```
// drawing the display list
glCallList(dlist);

// delete when not used any more
glDeleteLists(dlist, 1);
```

# Per vertex data array

- Instead of sending individual GL commands to GPU, it sends only the data and lets the drawing be done at the GPU side.
- One possible such data are per-vertex data arrays
  - Per-vertex data arrays can consist of
    - Vertex array
    - Normal array
    - Color array
    - Texture coordinate array

## **Usage of Per-Vertex Data Array**

#### With 24 (vertex + color)

```
// Activating..
glEnableClientState(GL VERTEX ARRAY);
glEnableClientState(GL COLOR ARRAY); // there can be more enabling..
// Specifying the data..
glVertexPointer(3, GL FLOAT, 0, vv);
glColorPointer(3, GL FLOAT, 0, cc); // glNormalPointer()..
// Now, the data are in the GPU side.
// With this context, drawing can be done by a single GL command..
glDrawArrays(GL_QUADS, 0, 24);
// Deactivating
glDisableClientState(GL VERTEX ARRAY);
glDisableClientState(GL_COLOR_ARRAY);
glVertexPointer(size, type, stride(offset), data);
glDrawArrays(mode, first index, count);
```

# **Texture Mapping - Review**

```
void init() {
   unsigned char bitmap[DIMX*DIMY*3]; I_{mage\ data\ residing\ in\ the\ host}
   GLuint texID;
   glEnable(GL TEXTURE 2D);
   glGenTextures(1, &texID); Generating a texture id
   glBindTexture(GL_TEXTURE_2D, texID); Start binding the texture
   glTexEnvi(GL_TEXTURE_ENV, GL_TEXTURE_ENV_MODE, GL_REPLACE); The details
   glTexParameteri(GL TEXTURE 2D, GL TEXTURE MAG FILTER, GL LINEAR);
   glTexParameteri(GL TEXTURE 2D, GL TEXTURE MIN FILTER, GL LINEAR);
   glTexParameteri(GL TEXTURE 2D, GL TEXTURE WRAP S, GL CLAMP);
   glTexParameteri(GL_TEXTURE_2D, GL_TEXTURE_WRAP_T, GL_CLAMP);
   glTexImage2D(GL_TEXTURE_2D, 0, GL_RGB, DIMX, DIMY, 0,
                  GL_RGB, GL_UNSIGNED_BYTE, bitmap);
                             Specify the image data for this texture object.
                             Now the copy of this texture is existing in the device
                             memory.
```

## Usage of Usage of Per-Vertex Data Array

With 8 (vertex + color + normal) and 24 index

```
// Activating..
glEnableClientState(GL_VERTEX_ARRAY);
glEnableClientState(GL COLOR ARRAY);
glEnableClientState(GL NORMAL ARRAY);
// Specifying the data..
glVertexPointer(3, GL FLOAT, 0, v);
glColorPointer(3, GL_FLOAT, 0, c);
glNormalPointer(GL FLOAT, 0, n);
// This time drawing is done with indices..
glDrawElements(GL QUADS, 24, GL UNSIGNED BYTE, ind);
// Deactivating as before..
glVertexPointer(size, type, stride(offset), data);
glDrawElements(mode, number of indices, type, data);
                                                   GLubyte ind[24] = {
                                                            0, 3, 2, 1, // back
                                                            4, 5, 6, 7, // front
                                                            2, 3, 7, 6, // up
                                                            0, 1, 5, 4, // down
                                                            1, 2, 6, 5, // right
                                                            3, 0, 4, 7 // left
                                                   };
```

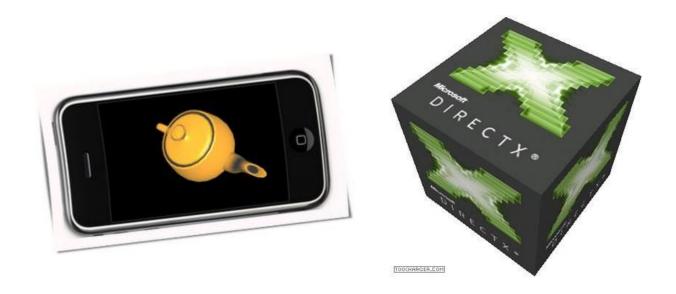
## Usage of Usage of Per-Vertex Data Array

#### Syntax of the Commands

```
glVertexPointer(size, type, stride(offset), data);
glDrawArrays(mode, first index, count);
glDrawElements(mode, number of indices, type, data);
```

# glVertex tends to be deprecated

- OpenGL ES, another OpenGL family for embedded system, does not have glVertex command.
- Microsoft's DirectX series also do not provide such immediate vertex command.



# Comparison

#### Display List

- id-based, thus once the display list is defined, no further transfer of that list is needed.
- Once a list is defined, however, it cannot be modified.
- Summary: flexibility ↓, reusability ↑

#### Per-Vertex Data Array

- Reduces command calls & redundant transfer of shared data.
- The context cannot be saved for further referencing.
  - There isn't any such thing as "vertex array id".
  - When program switches among multiple contexts, the arrays must be resent.
- Summary: flexibility ↑, reusability ↓

#### Abstract Buffer Objects

- They create buffer objects for vertex or pixel data on the device memory
- They provide functions to reference the data
- They can be read and updated by mapping the buffer
- Summary: flexibility ↑, reusability ↑

# **Abstract Buffer Objects**

#### Vertex Buffer Object (VBO)

- allows vertex array data to be stored in the device memory.
- GL\_ARB\_vertex\_buffer\_object

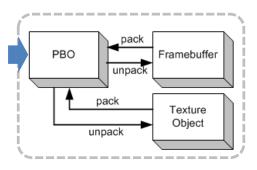
### Pixel Buffer Object (PBO)

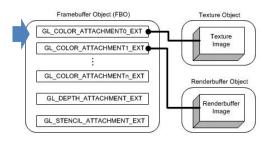
- allows pixel data to be stored in the device memory for further intra-GPU transfer
- GL\_ARB\_pixel\_buffer\_object

### Frame Buffer Object (FBO)

- allows rendered contents (color, depth, stencil) to be stored in non-displayable framebuffers (e.g., texture object, renderbuffer object)
- GL\_EXT\_framebuffer\_object

#### OpenGL controlled memory





# **Usage of Vertex Buffer Object**

### With 24 (vertex + color)

```
// Similar to creating texture
GLuint vboId;
float data[] = {...};
glGenBuffers(1, &vboId);
glBindBuffer(GL ARRAY BUFFER, vboId);
glBufferData(GL ARRAY BUFFER, sizeof(data), data, GL STATIC DRAW);
// Drawing is similar to vertex array..
glEnableClientState(GL VERTEX ARRAY);
glEnableClientState(GL COLOR ARRAY); // can enable more arrays..
glVertexPointer(3, GL FLOAT, 0, 0); // Starting offset of the buffer
glColorPointer(3, GL FLOAT, 0, (void *)(sizeof(data)/2));
glDrawArrays(GL QUADS, 0, 24); // glDrawElements() can be used instead
glDisableClientState(GL VERTEX ARRAY);
glDisableClientState(GL COLOR ARRAY);
// Unbinding vboId..
glBindBuffer(GL_ARRAY_BUFFER, 0);
// deleting vboId..
glDeleteBuffers(1, &vboId);
```

# **Usage of Vertex Buffer Object**

#### With 24x2 (vertex + color)

# **Usage of Vertex Buffer Object**

#### With 8 (vertex + color) and 24 index

```
float v[8][3] = {
                                    \{-1.f, -1.f, -1.f\}, \{1.f, -1.f, -1.f\}, \{1.f, -1.f\}, \{-1.f, -1.f\}, \{-1.
                                    {-1.f, -1.f, 1.f}, { 1.f, -1.f, 1.f}, { 1.f, 1.f, 1.f}, {-1.f, 1.f, 1.f}
};
float c[8][3] = {
                                     { 0.f, 0.f, 0.f}, { 0.f, 0.f, 0.f}, { 0.f, 0.f, 0.f}, { 0.f, 0.f},
                                     { 0.f, 0.f, 1.f}, { 0.f, 1.f, 0.f}, { 1.f, 0.f, 0.f}, { 1.f, 1.f, 1.f}
};
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                                    1, 2, 6, 5, // right
                                     3, 0, 4, 7 // left
};
// Suppose that VBO for vertex, color, normal is already created...
GLuint vboElementId;
glGenBuffers(1, &vboElementId);
glBindBuffer(GL ELEMENT ARRAY BUFFER, vboElementId);
glBufferData(GL_ELEMENT_ARRAY BUFFER, sizeof(ind), ind, GL STATIC DRAW);
glBindBuffer(GL ELEMENT ARRAY BUFFER, 0);
glBindBuffer(GL ELEMENT ARRAY BUFFER, vboElementId);
glDrawElements(GL QUADS, 24, GL UNSIGNED BYTE, 0); // Starting offset
glBindBuffer(GL ELEMENT ARRAY BUFFER, 0);
```

# **Another Example Code**

#### With 24 (vertex + normal + color) subdata sets

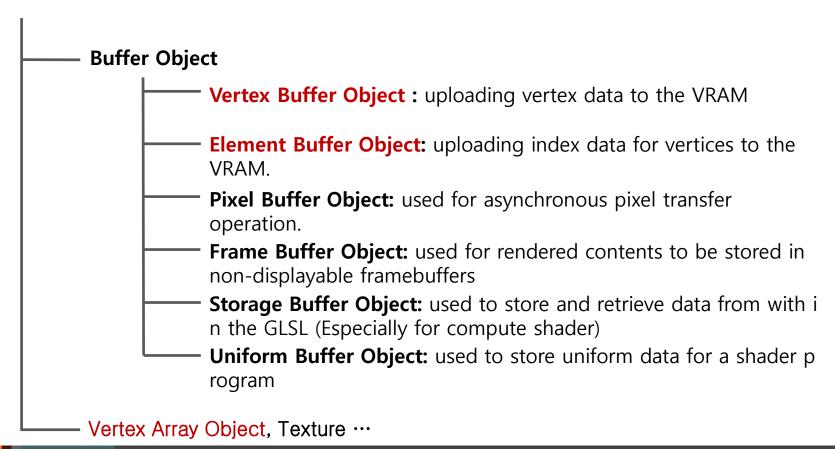
```
glGenBuffers(1, &vboID);
glBindBuffer(GL ARRAY BUFFER, vboID);
glBufferData(GL ARRAY BUFFER,
             sizeof(vv)+sizeof(nn)+sizeof(cc), 0, GL_STATIC_DRAW);
glBufferSubData(GL ARRAY BUFFER, 0, sizeof(vv), vv);
glBufferSubData(GL_ARRAY_BUFFER, sizeof(vv), sizeof(vv)+sizeof(nn), nn);
glBufferSubData(GL_ARRAY_BUFFER, sizeof(vv)+sizeof(nn),
                                           sizeof(vv)+sizeof(nn)+sizeof(cc), cc);
glEnableClientState(GL VERTEX ARRAY);
glEnableClientState(GL_NORMAL_ARRAY);
glEnableClientState(GL COLOR ARRAY);
glVertexPointer(3, GL FLOAT, 0, 0);
glNormalPointer(GL FLOAT, 0, (void*) sizeof(vv));
glColorPointer(3, GL FLOAT, 0, (void*) (sizeof(vv)+sizeof(nn)));
glDrawArrays(GL QUADS, 0, 24);
glDisableClientState(GL_VERTEX_ARRAY);
glDisableClientState(GL COLOR ARRAY);
glDisableClientState(GL NORMAL ARRAY);
glBindBuffer(GL ARRAY BUFFER, 0);
```

Data Transfer: VBO, VAO

# Data in OpenGL

- Everything you will ever do with OpenGL will involve buffers full of data.
  - We call buffers in OpenGL "buffer object"

#### **OpenGL Object**



# **Abstract Buffer Objects**

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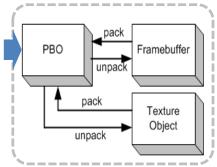
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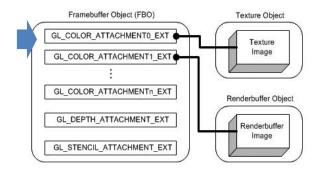
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## VBO, VAO and EBO

### Vertex Buffer Object

- Buffer for vertex data
- Position, Normal vector, Color, etc.

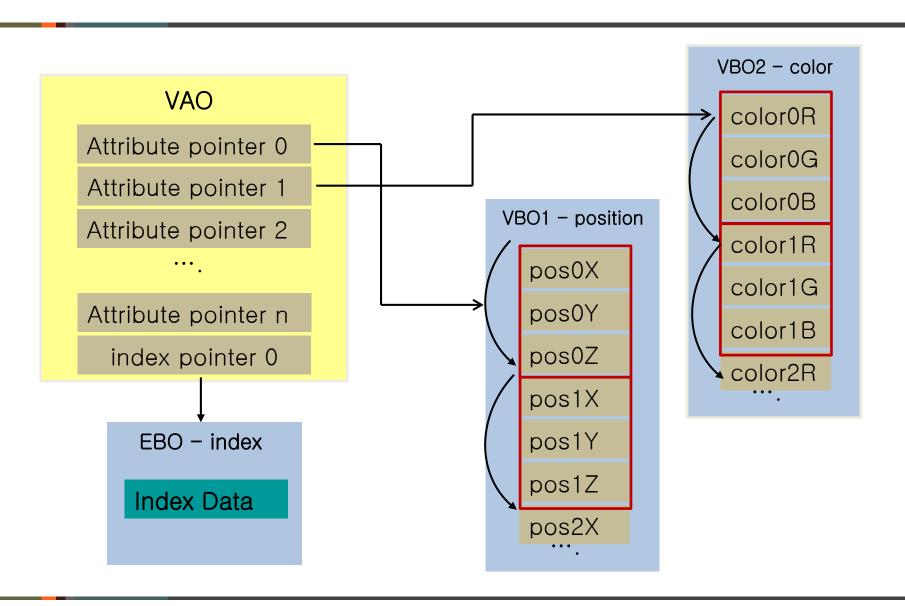
### Vertex Array Object

- Special type of object that encapsulates all the vertex data
- Instead of containing the actual data, it holds references to the vertex buffers, the index buffer

### Element Buffer Object?

Special type of object that encapsulates index data of vertices

## Concept of VBO, VAO and EBO



### **Create VBO**

#### Create & Initialize VBO

```
//ID
GLuint buffer;
//Generate buffers
glGenBuffers(1, &buffer);
//Bind
glBindBuffer(GL_ARRAY_BUFFER, buffer);
//Initialize & Transfer
1) glBufferData(GL_ARRAY_BUFFER, Number, data, GL_STATIC_DRAW);
glBufferData(GL_ARRAY_BUFFER, Number, NULL, GL_STATIC_DRAW);
glBufferSubdata(GL_ARRAY_BUFFER, 0, sizeof(data), data);
//Unbind
glBindBuffer(GL_ARRAY_BUFFER, 0);
```

# **Update VBO**

- There are two ways to update the VBO.
  - glBufferSubData() and glMapBuffer()

```
static const float data[] = { 1.0, 1.0, 1.0, 1.0 };

//First method - glbuffersubdata
glBufferSubdata(GL_ARRAY_BUFFER, 0, sizeof(data), data);

//Second method - mapping
void *ptr = glMapBuffer(GL_ARRAY_BUFFER, GL_WRITE_ONLY);

memcpy(ptr, data, sizeof(data));

glUnmapBuffer(GL_ARRAY_BUFFER);
```

# **Create & Update VAO**

- glBindBuffer(GL\_ARRAY\_BUFFER, buffer) tells that the VBO buffer is to be attached to VAO.
  - glVertexAttribPointer(...) tells the details of the above attachment.

```
//Create VAO
Gluint VAO;
qlGenVertexArrays(1, &VAO);
glBindVertexArray(VAO);
//Refer buffer(VBO)
glBindBuffer(GL_ARRAY_BUFFER, buffer);
glVertexAttribPointer(0, 4, GL_FLOAT, GL_FALSE, 0, NULL);
glEnableVertexAttribArray(0);
//unbind
glBindBuffer(GL_ARRAY_BUFFER, 0);
glBindVertexArray(0);
```

### **Draw VAO**

#### Draw without index

- glDrawArrays(mode, first, count);
- Constructs a sequence of geometric primitives using array elements starting at first index and ending at first + count - 1 of each enabled array.

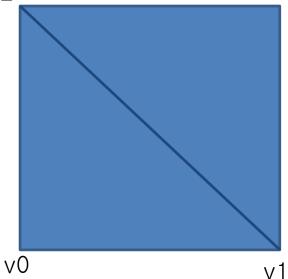
#### Draw with index

• glDrawElements(mode, number of indices, type, data);

## **Draw VAO Example**

- Draw without index
  - glDrawArrays(GL\_TRIANGLES, 0, 6);
- Draw with index

• glDrawElements(GL\_TRIANGLES, 6, GL\_UNSIGED\_SHORT,
 indx\_data);



### **Draw VAO without index**

**Draw without index** V3v2 static const float position[] = { -1.0f, -1.0f, 0.0f, //v0 -1.0f, -1.0f, 0.0f, //v1 -1.0f, -1.0f, 0.0f, //v2 -1.0f, -1.0f, 0.0f, //v1 -1.0f, -1.0f, 0.0f, //v3 -1.0f, -1.0f, 0.0f, //v2 **}**; **GLuint VAO**; **GLuint buffer:** glGenVertexArrays(1, &VAO); glGenBuffers(1, &buffer); **v**0 V1glBindVertexArray(VAO); glBindBuffer(GL ARRAY BUFFER, buffer); glBufferData(GL ARRAY BUFFER, sizeof(positions), positions, GL STATIC DRAW); glVertexAttribPointer(0, 3, GL FLOAT, GL FALSE, 0, NULL); qlEnableVertexAttribArray(0); //display function glDrawArrays(GL TRIANGLES, 0, 6);

### **Draw VAO with Index**

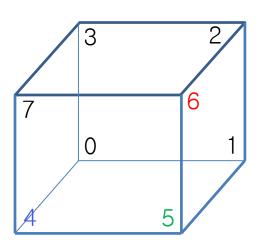
#### Draw with index

```
static const float position[] = \{-1.0f, -1.0f, 0.0f, //v0\}
                               -1.0f, -1.0f, 0.0f, //v1
                               -1.0f, -1.0f, 0.0f, //v2
                               -1.0f, -1.0f, 0.0f, //v3
};
static const unsigned short index[] = { 0, 1, 2, 1, 3, 2};
GLuint VAO:
                                                                                  v()
GLuint buffer
GLuint indice
glGenVertexArrays(1, &VAO);
glGenBuffers(1, &buffers);
                                                                                          VAO
glGenBuffers(1, &indice);
                                                                                     Attribute pointer 0
glBindVertexArray(VAO);
                                                                                     Attribute pointer 1
glBindBuffer(GL ARRAY BUFFER, buffer);
alBufferData(GL ARRAY BUFFER, sizeof(positions), positions, GL_STATIC_DRAW);
                                                                                     Attribute pointer 2
glVertexAttribPointer(0, 3, GL_FLOAT, GL_FALSE, 0, NULL);
glEnableVertexAttribArray(0);
glBindBuffer(GL ELEMENT ARRAY BUFFER, indice);
                                                                                     Attribute pointer 15
glBufferData(GL ARRAY BUFFER, sizeof(indice), indice, GL STATIC DRAW);
glBindBuffer(GL ELEMENT ARRAY BUFFER, 0);
                                                                                      Index pointer 0
//display function
glDrawElement(GL TRIANGLES, 6, GL UNSIGNED SHORT, 0);
```

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### Practice: Draw WireCube with VAO

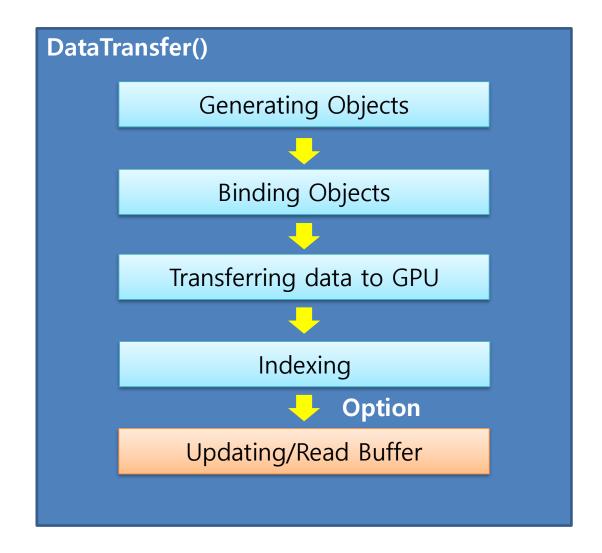
- Copy Sample Skeleton Code
  - vglconnect ID@163.152.20.246
  - cp –r /home/share/DataTransfer ./
  - cd DataTransfer
- Notepad: DataTransfer function 작성
- Compile & run program
  - make
  - vglrun ./EXE



# **Program structure**

```
#include "XWindow.h"
#include <stdio.h>
#include <stdlib.h>
#include <string>
using namespace std;
//function declaration//
//Global variables//
int main(int argc, char *argv[]) {
    //Window Initialization//
    InitGL();
    DataTransfer();
    while(1) {
         Display();
         KeyboardCallback();
```

## **Data Transfer function structure**



## DataTransfer Code@Main

void DataTransfer(){ //Generating Buffer Objects glGenVertexArrays(1, VAO); glGenBuffers(1, VBO); Vertex Attribute pointer glGenBuffers(1, EBO); //Transferring Vertex data to Device glBindVertexArray(VAO[0]); glBindBuffer(GL\_ARRAY\_BUFFER, VBO[0]); glBufferData(GL\_ARRAY\_BUFFER, 4 \* sizeof(vertices), vertices, GL\_STATIC\_DRAW); VBO: glVertexAttribPointe(0,3, GL\_FLOAT, GL\_FALSE, 3 \* sizeof(float), (void\*)0); glEnableVertexAttribArray(0); **VAO** glBindBuffer(GL ARRAY BUFFER,0); /Transferring Index data to Device **EBO** glBindBuffer(GL\_ELEMENT\_ARRAY\_BUFFER, EBO[0]); glBufferData(GL\_ELEMENT\_ARRAY\_BUFFER, 4 \* sizeof(indices), indices, GL\_STATIC\_DRAW); glBindBuffer(GL\_ARRAY\_BUFFER, 0);

qlBindVertexArray(0);

### Shader code

```
//Vertex Shader code
#version 130
layout(location = 0) in vec3 aPos;//Alternative to Attribute type variable
unitform mat4 modelview
Vertex Attribute pointer
          gl_Position = modelview * vec4(aPos.x, aPos.y, aPos.z, 1.0);
//Fragment Shader code
#version 130
void main()
          vec4 color = vec4(0.0,0.0,0.0,1.0);
          gl_FragColor = color;
```

## Display function@Main

```
void display(){
        glClearColor(1.0f, 1.0f, 1.0f, 1.0f);
        glClear(GL_COLOR_BUFFER_BIT|GL_DEPTH_BUFFER_BIT);
        glUseProgram(Program);
        glMatrixMode(GL_MODELVIEW);
        glLoadIdentity();
        glRotatef(15.0f, -1.0f, 1.0f, 0.0f);
        glBindVertexArray(VAO[0]);
        glDrawElements(GL_LINES, 24, GL_UNSIGNED_SHORT, 0);
        glXSwapBuffers(dpy, win);
        glUseProgram(0);
```

### Result

Result of the program is same with glBegin program.

However, Data Transfer is occurred only once!

As the amount of the data increases, Buffer objects

get more useful.

