

Chapter 9: Rendering 🥦 🗒

vkAcquireNextImageKHR()

- $\bullet \ \ https://vkdoc.net/man/vkAcquireNextImageKHR$
 - · .device Same as SwapChain
 - So, now you know which class this function has got to be inside ��
 - · .swapchain 🎆 💁
 - · .timeout 🐧 🕯 nanoseconds
 - specifies how long the function waits, in 🐧 🛊 nanoseconds , if no image is available.

uint64_t ns_per_second = 1'000'000'000;

- .semaphore 🔗 SubChapter 2
- .fench ChapterZZZ
- · .pImageIndex 🗗 😭
 - Well, this function doesn't return an VkImage but an index to it 🔄

• **Z** REY_DOCs

- VK_SUBOPTIMAL_KHR
 - if the window has been resized but the OS/platform's **GPU-DriverImplementation** / **PresentationEngine** is still able to scale the presented images to the new size to produce valid surface updates.
 - It is up to the application to decide whether it prefers to continue using the current swapchain in this state, or to re-create the swapchain to match resized window.
- VK_ERROR_OUT_OF_DATE_KHR
 - the images in the swapchain no longer matches the surface properties (e.g., the window was resized)
 - and the presentation engine can't present them,
 - so the application needs to create a new swapchain that matches the surface properties.
- REFs:- 1. minerva

2. Notes on RenderLoop

- There are a few ways that you can record CMDBUF
 - i. Recording a VkCommandBuffer only Once
 - ii. Recording a VkCommandBuffer more than Once
 - more than Once --> requires, CMDBUF to be reset by vkResetCommandBuffer() before recording again
 - Note:- vkBeginCommandBuffer() also does do an implicit reset
 - which I don't believe should exist
 - I always believe "Explicit is better than implicit"
 - REQ:-
 - VkCommandPoolCreateInfo.flags WK_COMMAND_POOL_CREATE_RESET_COMMAND_BUFFER_BIT
 - iii. Submitting a VkCommandBuffer only Once
 - REQ:-
 - VkCommandBufferBeginInfo.flags

 VK_COMMAND_BUFFER_USAGE_ONE_TIME_SUBMIT_BIT
 - People usually uses **SUBMIT_ONCE** with a **RESET_CMDBUF**
 - iv. Implementing Synchronization features is so fked up. After Present Image, call vkQueueWaitIdle()

3. Enabling \bigcirc Validation Layers \trianglerighteq

```
class amVK_InstanceProps {
  public:
    static inline REY_Array<VkLayerProperties> amVK_1D_InstanceLayers; #define amVK_LOOP_ILayers(_var_) for (uint32_t _var_ = 0, lim = amVK_1D_InstanceLayers.n;
                                                                                                        _var_ < lim; _var_++)
    static inline bool called_EnumerateInstanceLayerProperties = false;
    static void
                                EnumerateInstanceLayerProperties(void);
                                                                                             // amVK_1D_InstanceLayers
    static bool
                                        isInstanceLayerAvailable(const char *layerName); // amVK_1D_InstanceLayers
class amVK_Instance {
    static inline REY_ArrayDYN<char*> amVK_1D_Instance_Layers_Enabled;
                                      addTo_1D_Instance_Layers_Enabled(const char* layerName);
    static void
                                          log_1D_Instance_Layers_Enabled(VkResult ret); // CreateDevice() calls this
amVK_Instance::addTo_1D_Instance_Layers_Enabled("VK_LAYER_KHRONOS_validation");
```

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 $amVK_Instance.hh\#L25$ $amVK_InstanceProps.hh\#L13$ $amVK_InstanceProps.cpp\#L66$

- 4. Coloring Window
- 5. Semaphore & Synchronization
- $6.\ VkQueueWaitIdle$

4. VkSemaphore ChapterZZZ

- $\bullet \ \ https://vkdoc.net/man/VkSemaphore$
 - I wouldn't suggest reading it right now tho
 - But, basically,
 - SemaPhore will be used to synchronize the rendering and presentation of images

VkSemaphoreCreateInfo

- https://vkdoc.net/man/VkSemaphoreCreateInfo
 - .sType WK_STRUCTURE_TYPE_SEMAPHORE_CREATE_INFO
 - ∘ .pNext 💋 NULL
 - ∘ .flags □ 0

2. vkCreateSemaphore

- https://vkdoc.net/man/vkCreateSemaphore
 - .device
 - ∘ .pCreateInfo 🂹 💁
 - .pAllocator ChapterZZZ
 - ° .pSemaphore 🗗 🏟



5. Command Recording

1. VkCommandBufferBeginInfo

- https://vkdoc.net/man/VkCommandBufferBeginInfo
 - .sType WK_STRUCTURE_TYPE_COMMAND_BUFFER_BEGIN_INFO
 - .pNext nullptr
 - VkDeviceGroupCommandBufferBeginInfo
 - .flags AB VkCommandBufferUsageFlagBits
 - https://vkdoc.net/man/VkCommandBufferUsageFlagBits | ivirtex-github
 - ONE_TIME_SUBMIT
 - ② RENDER_PASS_CONTINUE [secondary command buffer]
 - SIMULTANEOUS_USE
 - .pInheritanceInfo **Ø** [secondary command buffer]

2. VkRenderPassBeginInfo

- https://vkdoc.net/man/VkRenderPassBeginInfo
 - .sType WK_STRUCTURE_TYPE_RENDER_PASS_BEGIN_INFO
 - ∘ .pNext **Ø** nullptr
 - · .renderPass 🎆 💁
 - · .framebuffer 🂹 💁
 - .renderArea
 - https://vkdoc.net/man/VkRect2D
 - .pClearValues
 - https://vkdoc.net/man/VkClearValue

6. amVK_SurfacePresenter

Can't have everything scatterred now, everything is getting too much sophisticating.... ? 🙊 nust Refactor....

Major Decision Change

Right now, amVK_Surface::CTOR creates amVK_SurfacePresenter. & SwapChain, RenderPass, CommandPool are supposed to be created from amVK_SurfacePresenter.

Problem #1:- I think this is just a little too much deep to handle....

Problem #2:- if amvK_SwapChain.hh included amvK_SurfacePresenter.hh, then the reverse can't happen. Thus a lot of 1-liner functions would have to be put inside .cpp even tho i don't want it to.

1. Problem #2:- in Details

- amVK SurfacePresenter.hh#L37
- amVK_SwapChain.hh#L48
- · The Solution
 - C1:- Don't include amVK_SurfacePresenter.hh in amVK_SwapChain.hh but rather inside amVK_SwapChain.cpp
 - C2:- Don't include amVK_SwapChain.hh in amVK_SurfacePresenter.hh but rather inside amVK_SurfacePresenter.cpp
- · Case 1:-
 - amVK_SwapChain::CONSTRUCTOR
 - sync_SurfCaps()
 - both of these have to go inside amVK_SwapChain.cpp
- · Case 2:
 - o amVK_SurfacePresenter::sync_SC_SurfCaps()
 - o amVK_SurfacePresenter::synced_ImageExtent()
 - both of these (& as of my plan right now, heck ton of other 1 liner function) are gonna have to go inside amVK_SurfacePresenter.cpp

2. Weeelll

- There is one other solution.... That is to change the design.... Which is what I figured is should do.... Not everybody would want to use amVK_SurfacePresenter anyway
- · 2 Ways:-
- i. Making amVK_SurfacePresenter Optional
 - a. None of the other amVK_Class is gonna depend on this anymore
 - b. amVK_SurfacePresenter serving as like a top level NODETREE system with extra PRESET Functions / soo. (If you are looking from a NodeEditor perspective)
 - c. This is like having a BIG BAD NODE, and then connecting everything into it
 - d. You can have anything you want in the header
 - e. Let's try the other one and see what happens
- ii. Making amVK_SurfacePresenter Code part
 - a. EveryBody is gonna depend on this
 - b. They are only gonna keep a pointer to this parent
 - c. from this one, they are gonna get everything that they need
 - d. even the VkDevice
 - e. It's like having all the nodes inside a TOP LEVEL FRAME NODE

- f. Separating Code into .hh & .cpp is kinda crazy..... You basically can't have anything in the header....
- g. i already tried this

 $Final\ Commit:-\ https://github.com/REYNEP/amGHOST/blob/7376cdb5c2c6eee19655dae436e6cf8edd02e1d5/amVK/amVK\ SurfacePresenter.hh$

So far, The result [GO GITHUB]

• 🗂 common

- **a**mVK.hh
- amVK_ColorSpace.hh
- amVK_Enum2String.cpp
- amVK_Enum2String.hh
- amVK_RenderPass_Descriptors.hh
- amVK_log.cpp
- **a**mVK_log.hh

• 🗂 core

- amVK_Instance.hh
- amVK_Device.hh
- amVK_DeviceQCI.hh
- amVK_Surface.hh
- amVK_SwapChain.hh
- amVK_SwapChainIMGs.hh
- amVK_RenderPass.hh
- amVK_RenderPassFBs.hh
- amVK_CommandPool.hh
- lacktriangledown amVK SurfacePresenter.hh

• 🛱 extras

- SCREENSHOT_STUDIO.hh
- amVK_CommandBuffer.hh
- amVK_FrameBuffer.hh
- **a**mVK_Image.hh
- amVK_SemaPhone.hh

• 🗂 guide

• (Directory placeholder – add guide files here if any)

• 🗂 impl

- **a**mVK_Device.cpp
- amVK_Instance.cpp
- amVK_InstanceProps.cpp
- amVK_InstancePropsExport.cpp
- amVK_InstancePropsExport_nloh...
- amVK_Surface.cpp
- amVK_SurfacePresenter.cpp
- amVK_SwapChain.cpp

7. Back 2 Command Recording

vkBeginCommandBuffer()

- https://vkdoc.net/man/vkBeginCommandBuffer
 - ° .commandBuffer 🂹 💁
 - ° .pBeginInfo 🂹 💁
- · </> TheCode

```
amVK_CommandPool {
  public:
    REY_Array<VkCommandBuffer>
                                   vk_CommandBuffers;
    REY_Array<VkCommandBuffer> AllocateCommandBuffers(void);
  public:
    VkCommandBufferBeginInfo BI = {
        .sType = VK_STRUCTURE_TYPE_COMMAND_BUFFER_BEGIN_INFO,
        .pNext = 0,
        .flags = VK_COMMAND_BUFFER_USAGE_ONE_TIME_SUBMIT_BIT,
        .pInheritanceInfo = nullptr
    };
    void BeginCommandBuffer(uint32_t CMDBUF_Index) {
        VkResult return_code = vkBeginCommandBuffer(vk_CommandBuffers[CMDBUF_Index], &BI);
        amVK_return_code_log( "vkBeginCommandBuffer()" );
    }
}
```

vkCmdBeginRenderPass()

- https://vkdoc.net/man/vkCmdBeginRenderPass
 - ° .commandBuffer 🏻 🔄
 - ∘ .pRenderPassBegin 🂹 💁
 - .contents (AB) VK_SUBPASS_CONTENTS_INLINE
 - https://vkdoc.net/man/VkSubpassContents | ivirtex-github
 - AB INLINE
 - SECONDARY_COMMAND_BUFFERS [secondary command buffer]
 - B INLINE_AND_SECONDARY_COMMAND_BUFFERS_KHR [VK_KHR_maintenance7]
 - B INLINE_AND_SECONDARY_COMMAND_BUFFERS_EXT [VK_EXT_nested_command_buffer]

5. vkCmdSetViewport()

- https://vkdoc.net/man/vkCmdSetViewport
 - ° .commandBuffer 🂹 💁
 - · firstViewport 0
 - .viewportCount1
 - ∘ .pViewports ₩ VkViewport
 - https://vkdoc.net/man/VkViewport

6. vkCmdSetScissor()

- https://vkdoc.net/man/vkCmdSetScissor
 - - https://vkdoc.net/man/VkRect2D

7. vkCmdEndRenderPass()

- https://vkdoc.net/man/vkCmdEndRenderPass
 - ° .commandBuffer 🎆 💁

8. vkEndCommandBuffer()

- https://vkdoc.net/man/vkEndCommandBuffer
 - ° .commandBuffer 🂹 💁

8. Submit Command Buffer

VkSubmitInfo

- https://vkdoc.net/man/VkSubmitInfo
 - .sType VK_STRUCTURE_TYPE_SUBMIT_INFO
 - ∘ .pNext 💋 NULL
 - .pWaitSemaphores & Chapter9.1
 - amVK_SwapChain::AcquireNextImage_SemaPhore
 - pWaitDstStageMask WK_PIPELINE_STAGE_COLOR_ATTACHMENT_OUTPUT_BIT
 - .pCommandBuffers 💹 💁
 - .pSignalSemaphores
 - amVK_SurfacePresenter::RenderingFinished_SemaPhore

2. vkQueueSubmit()

- https://vkdoc.net/man/vkQueueSubmit
 - .queue GraphicsQueue
 - .submitCount 1
 - · .pSubmits 🎆 💁
 - .fench WK_NULL_HANDLE

3. vkGetDeviceQueue()

- https://vkdoc.net/man/vkGetDeviceQueue
 - .device
 - .queueFamilyindex 🔗 Chapter2.7
 - amVK_Device::amVK_1D_QCIs::select_QFAM_Graphics()
 - .queueIndex 🔗 Chapter2.4
 - VkDeviceQueueCreateInfo.queueCount
 - · .pQueue 🔁 🕸

4. VkPresentInfoKHR

- https://vkdoc.net/man/VkPresentInfoKHR
 - .sType WK_STRUCTURE_TYPE_PRESENT_INFO_KHR
 - .pNext 💋 NULL
 - Maybe some interesting extensions, idk
 - .pWaitSemaphores & Chapter9.6
 - amVK_SwapChain::RenderingFinished_SemaPhore
 - · .pSwapchains 🎆 💁
 - .pImageIndices
 - pResults

5. vkQueuePresentKHR()

- https://vkdoc.net/man/vkQueuePresentKHR
 - · .queue 🂹 🔄
 - .pPresentInfo 🎆 💁
- 6. 👸 So far, The result 📂 GITHUB]
 - https://github.com/REYNEP/amGHOST/tree/805df077be97835083dd7716c3597b2f0e9347cb/amVK

9. RenderLoop

- 1. amGHOST Events <-- (Win32/XCB/X11/Wayland/macOS)
 - i. EventTypes
 - https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xnopUoZbMEk&list=PLlrATfBNZ98dC-V-N3m0Go4deliWHPFwT&index=9
- 2. EventLoop
- $3. \ \ Window \ ReSizing \ + \ (SwapChain \ ReCreation)$
- $4. \ REY_NoobTimer::wait(10);$
- 5. On windows, if you don't ask win32 for the Events of the WINDOW, then windows is gonna go insane, it's gonna flag your app as "Not Reposnding"

10. Windows WndProc

SCREENSHOT1

Feature	WM_PAINT	WM_PRINT
Purpose	Sent by the system to request that a window redraw its client area.	Sent by an application to request that a window draw itself into a specified device context (e.g., for printing or capturing).
Trigger	Automatically triggered by the system when the client area becomes invalid (e.g., resizing, minimizing).	Explicitly sent by an application using SendMessage to request the window to draw itself.
Message ID	0x800F	0x0317
Who Sends It	Sent by the system.	Sent by the application (e.g., using SendMessage(hwnd, WM_PRINT,)).
Default Behavior	Calls the window's WndProc to handle the redraw.	Calls the window's WndProc to handle the drawing into the specified device context.
Device Context	Uses the device context provided by BeginPaint and EndPaint.	Uses the device context passed in wParam.
Use Case	Used for normal window redrawing (e.g., after invalidation or resizing).	Used for off-screen rendering, printing, or capturing the window's content.
System- Generated	Yes, automatically generated when the client area is invalid.	No, must be explicitly sent by the application.
Parameters	- wParam : Not used 1Param : Not used.	- wParam : Handle to the device context (HDC) lParam : Flags specifying what to draw.
Flags in lParam	Not applicable.	Flags include: - PRF_CHECKVISIBLE: Only draw if the window is visible PRF_CHILDREN: Draw child windows PRF_CLIENT: Draw the client area.

Feature	WM_PAINT	WM_PRINT
		- PRF_NONCLIENT : Draw the non-client area.- PRF_ERASEBKGND : Erase the background.
Child Windows	Does not automatically draw child windows.	Can optionally draw child windows if the PRF_CHILDREN flag is set.
Non-Client Area	Does not draw the non-client area (e.g., title bar, borders).	Can optionally draw the non-client area if the PRF_NONCLIENT flag is set.
Example Usage	Used in the WndProc to handle normal window painting.	Used for capturing the window's content into a bitmap or for printing.

When to Use Each				
Scenario	Use WM_PAINT	Use WM_PRINT		
Normal window redrawing	Yes	No		
Off-screen rendering (e.g., capturing)	No	Yes		
Printing the window's content	No	Yes		
Drawing only the client area	Yes	Yes (with PRF_CLIENT flag).		
Drawing the non-client area (e.g., borders, title bar)	No	Yes (with PRF_NONCLIENT flag).		
Drawing child windows	No	Yes (with PRF_CHILDREN flag).		

Comparison Table			
Method	Blockin g	Removes Message	Use Case
▶ PeekMessage	No	Optional (PM_REMOVE or PM_NOREMOVE)	Real-time polling (e.g., game loops).
GetMessage	Yes	Yes	Event-driven applications (e.g., GUI programs).
MsgWaitForMultipleObjec	Option al	No	Wait for messages or other synchronization objects.
WaitMessage	Yes	No	Suspend thread until a new message arrives.
GetQueueStatus	No	No	Check if there are pending messages in the queue.
MsgWaitForMultipleObjectsEx	Option al	No	Extended version of MsgWaitForMultipleObjects with more control.
SetWindowsHookEx	No	No	Intercept and process messages globally or for specific threads.
PostThreadMessage	No	No	Send custom messages to a thread's message queue.

Here's a comparison table between	PeekMessage	and GetMessage	in Win32, highlighting	g their differences and behaviors:

Feature	PeekMessage	GetMessage
Purpose	Retrieves messages from the message queue without blocking the thread.	Retrieves messages from the message queue and blocks the thread if no messages are available.
Blocking Behavior	Non-blocking by default. Returns immediately, even if no messages are available.	Blocking. Waits until a message is available in the queue.
Message Removal	Can either remove the message from the queue (PM_REMOVE) or leave it (PM_NOREMOVE).	Always removes the message from the queue.
Message Range	Can retrieve messages within a specific range (e.g., WM_KEYDOWN to WM_KEYUP).	Retrieves all messages, regardless of type or range.
Use Case	Used for polling the message queue in real-time (e.g., in a game loop).	Used for traditional event-driven applications where blocking is acceptable.
Return Value	Returns TRUE if a message is available, FALSE otherwise.	Returns -1 on error, 0 if WM_QUIT is received, and non-zero otherwise.
Retrieves Multiple Messages	No, retrieves one message at a time.	No, retrieves one message at a time.
Thread Behavior	Does not yield control to other threads.	May yield control to other threads while waiting for a message.
Typical Usage	Real-time applications (e.g., games, rendering loops).	Event-driven applications (e.g., GUI programs).