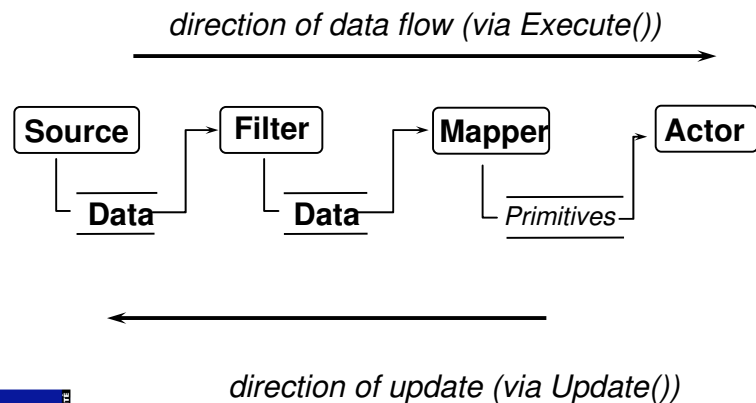
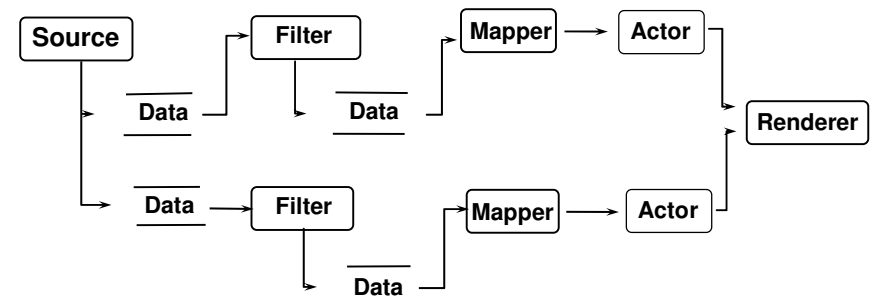


Pipeline Execution Model



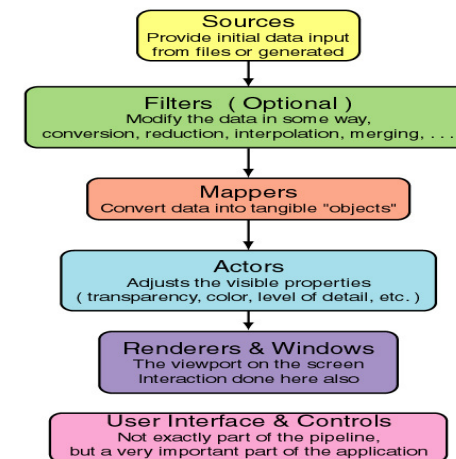
VTK Visualization Pipeline



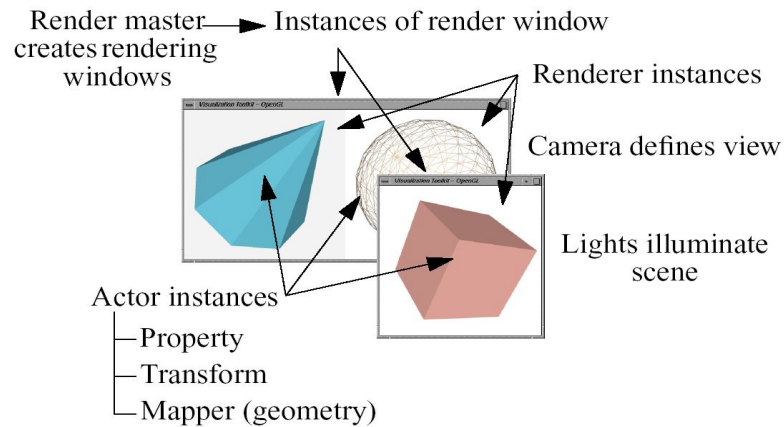
Main Graphics Objects in VTK

- Conversion of a data structure into graphical object in VTK performed by a **mapper**
- Graphics objects in VTK are **actors**
 - Controls graphics properties such as colour and shading
 - Position, rotation and surface properties also specified by actor methods
 - Transformation from object to world co-ordinates
- Actors rendered in the scene by the **renderer**
 - Controls camera and lighting properties
- Renderer draws to a **render window**
 - Controls window size
 - Can display or capture to an image file

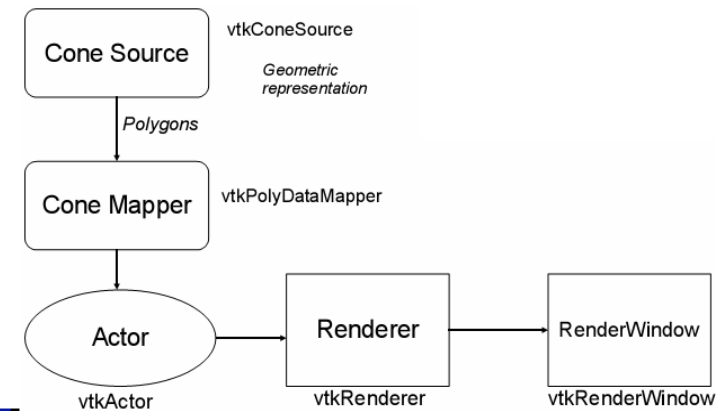
VTK Pipeline : summary



VTK Graphics Model



Drawing a cone in VTK



Drawing a cone : Tcl

package require vtk

create a cone geometry source object
vtkConeSource cone
cone SetResolution 8

create mapper object and map cone geometry
vtkPolyDataMapper coneMapper
coneMapper SetInput [cone GetOutput]

create an actor object and set mapper
vtkActor coneActor
coneActor SetMapper coneMapper

create a renderer
vtkRenderer ren1
ren1 SetBackground 0.1 0.2 0.4

assign actor to the renderer
ren1 AddActor coneActor

create a rendering window
vtkRenderWindow renWin

assign renderier to window
renWin AddRenderer ren1

render scene
renWin Render

no interaction window
wm withdraw .

Interactor

- Button 1 – rotate
- Button 2 – translate (<Shift> Button 1 on PC)
- Button 3 – zoom
- Keypress e or q – exit
- Keypress f – “fly-to” point under mouse
- Keypress s/w – surface/wireframe
- Keypress p – pick
- Keypress r – reset camera
- Keypress 3 – toggle stereo

Switch styles:
Keypress j – joystick; t - trackball style

Interacting with a cone

package require vtk

```
# create a cone geometry source object
vtkConeSource cone
cone SetResolution 8
```

```
# create mapper object and map cone
geometry
vtkPolyDataMapper coneMapper
coneMapper SetInput [cone GetOutput]
```

```
# create an actor object and set mapper
vtkActor coneActor
coneActor SetMapper coneMapper
```

```
# create a renderer
vtkRenderer ren1
ren1 SetBackground 0.1 0.2 0.4
# assign actor to the renderer
ren1 AddActor coneActor
# create a rendering window
vtkRenderWindow renWin
# assign renderier to window
renWin AddRenderer ren1
# render scene
renWin Render
```

```
# attach Interactor to Window
vtkRenderWindowInteractor iren
iren SetRenderWindow renWin
iren Initialize
```

```
# no interaction window
wm withdraw .
```



Accessing Actors Properties

- The appearance of each prop (e.g. vtkActor) is controlled by its property member (of type vtkProperty)
- To modify the appearance of the actor we use methods associated with the property member e.g.

Step 1 – get a reference to the property member

```
set property [ coneActor GetProperty ]
```

Step 2 – do something e.g. change the color etc.

```
$property SetColor 1 0 0
```

```
$property SetAmbient 1.0 (Default for surface 0.0)
```

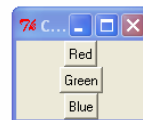
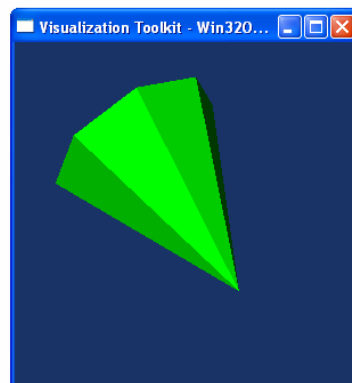
```
$property SetDiffuse 0.0 (Default for surface 1.0)
```

```
$property SetSpecular 0.0
```

```
$property SetRepresentationToWireframe
```



Exercise: change cone color



LegendSource

```
vtkLegendBoxActor lBar
lBar SetNumberOfEntries 1
lBar SetEntryString 0 CONE
lBar SetWidth 0.8
lBar SetHeight 0.06
lBar SetPosition 0.1 0.92
lBar BorderOff
```

```
vtkRenderer ren1
ren1 AddActor lBar
```



PolyDataSource

- `vtkConeSource` is a `vtkPolyDataSource`.

Other include:

- `vtkPolySphereSource`
- `vtkPolyDiskSource`
- `vtkPolyCylinderSource`
- `vtkArrowSource`

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