Real-Time Rendering

Session 1: Introduction

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What we'll do in this series

- Explain & visualize the rendering process
- Overview over features, challenges & solutions
- Understand the big picture, not a detailed one

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- RTR is at its most efficient when there is nothing
- RTR is about managing losses and handling target framerate
- You can’t do RTR perfect

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It’s a tradeoff between gains & losses. You always sacrifice something to gain something else.

1. Everything needs to be efficient as possible
2. We need rigid pipelines & restrictions
3. We need to offload parts to pre-calculations
4. We need a mix of solutions

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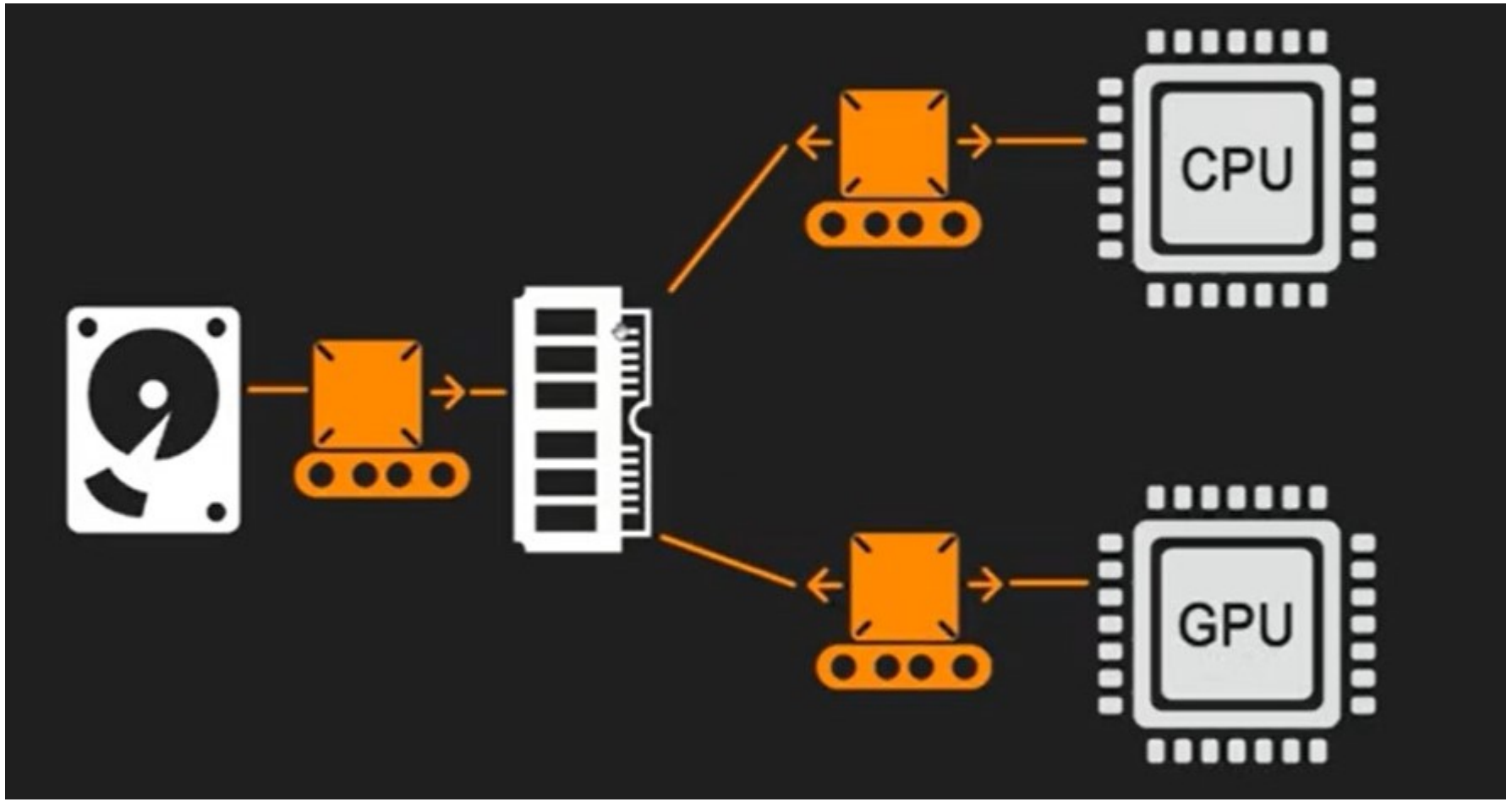
Triangles & vertices



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CPU vs GPU

1. Handle different parts of the rendering in sync
2. Can bottleneck each other
3. We should know how the load is distributed between the two

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Deferred vs Forward Rendering

Deferred

1. Shading happens in deferred passes
2. Good at rendering dynamic lighting
3. Good at stable predictable high-end performance
4. More flexible with disabling features, less flexible when it comes to surface attributes
5. No MSAA, just TAA

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Deferred vs Forward Rendering

Forward

1. Shading happens in the same pass as geometry/materials
2. More flexible in how lighting & materials are computed but less flexible when different features are mixed
3. Good at translucent surface rendering
4. Faster for simpler uses
5. Dynamic lighting has a big performance impact
6. MSAA possible

Coming up

Before Rendering & Occlusion

Thank you for your attention!