

Introduction to GLSL

GLSL

- OpenGL Shading Language is a high-level language based on C programming language.
- Added since OpenGL 2.0 version.
- More flexible and efficient on rendering.

Rendering pipeline in OpenGL

Fixed function pipeline

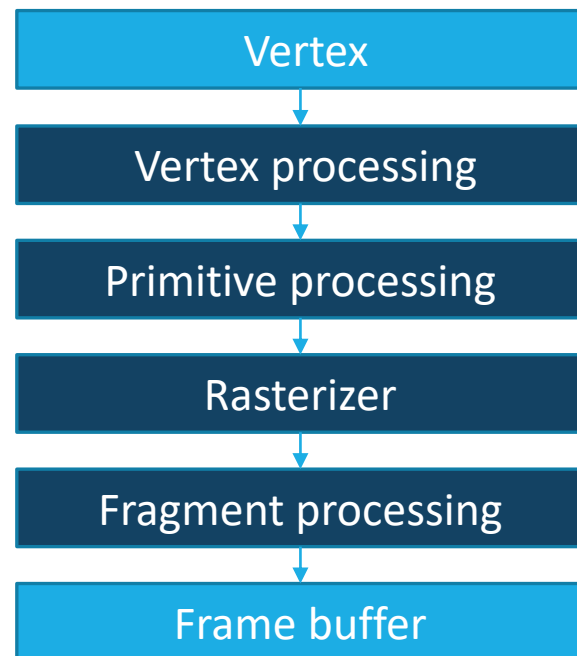
- You can't change each function and the order of execution.
- Deprecated since OpenGL 3.0
- Easy to learn, but less flexible.

Programmable pipeline

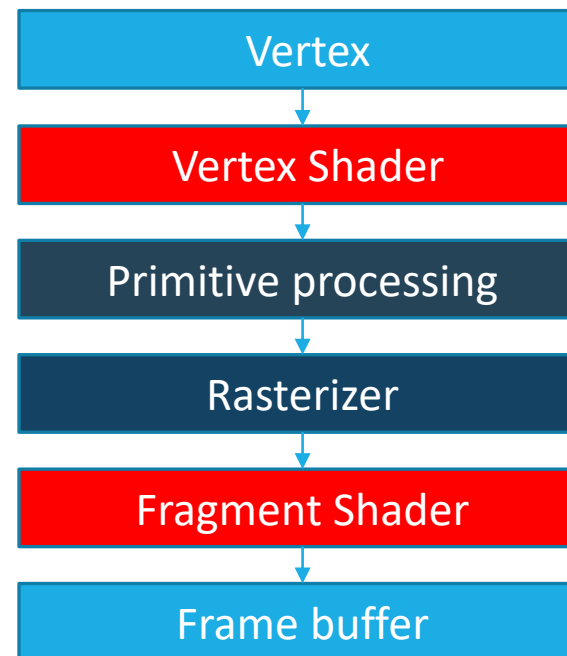
- Use shader programs, which was written in GLSL.
- More difficult to learn, but can achieve more advanced effects.

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Programmable pipeline



Shader

- A program designed by users.
- Run in GPU pipeline.

Vertex Shader

- **Input:** Single vertex
- **Output:** Single vertex

Fragment Shader

- **Input:** One pixel
- **Output:** One or no pixel

Shader Initialize

```
void shaderInit() {  
    // Create shader program  
    GLuint vert = createShader("Shaders/example.vert", "vertex");  
    GLuint frag = createShader("Shaders/example.frag", "fragment");  
    program = createProgram(vert, frag);  
  
    // Generate buffers  
    glGenBuffers(1, &vboName);  
    glBindBuffer(GL_ARRAY_BUFFER, vboName);  
  
    // Copy vertex data to the buffer object  
    VertexAttribute *vertices;  
    vertices = drawTriangle();  
    glBufferData(GL_ARRAY_BUFFER, sizeof(VertexAttribute) * verticeNumber, vertices, GL_STATIC_DRAW);  
    glEnableVertexAttribArray(0);  
    glVertexAttribPointer(0, 3, GL_FLOAT, GL_FALSE, sizeof(VertexAttribute), (void*)(offsetof(VertexAttribute, position)));  
    glBindBuffer(GL_ARRAY_BUFFER, 0);  
}
```

Shader setting

```
void shaderInit() {
    // Create shader program
    GLuint vert = createShader("Shaders/example.vert", "vertex");
    GLuint frag = createShader("Shaders/example.frag", "fragment");
    program = createProgram(vert, frag);
}
```

➤ In the function : createShader() (defined in shader.h)

➤ GLuint **glCreateShader** (GLenum shaderType);

- Specifies the type of shader to be created and creates an empty shader object.
- shaderType : GL_COMPUTE_SHADER, **GL_VERTEX_SHADER**, GL_TESS_CONTROL_SHADER, GL_TESS_EVALUATION_SHADER, **GL_GEOMETRY_SHADER**, **GL_FRAGMENT_SHADER**

➤ void **glShaderSource** (GLuint **shader**, GLsizei count, const GLchar ****string**, const GLint *length);

- Sets the source code in **shader** to the source code in the array of strings specified by **string**.
- Ex : **string** = & textFileRead("Shaders/example.vert")

➤ void **glCompileShader**(GLuint **shader**);

- Compile the **shader**.

Shader setting

```
void shaderInit() {  
    // Create shader program  
    GLuint vert = createShader("Shaders/example.vert", "vertex");  
    GLuint frag = createShader("Shaders/example.frag", "fragment");  
    program = createProgram(vert, frag);  
}
```

➤ In the function : `createProgram()` (defined in `shader.h`)

➤ `GLuint glCreateProgram(void);`

- creates a program object.

➤ `void glAttachShader (GLuint program, GLuint shader);`

- Attach the `shader` object to the `program` object.

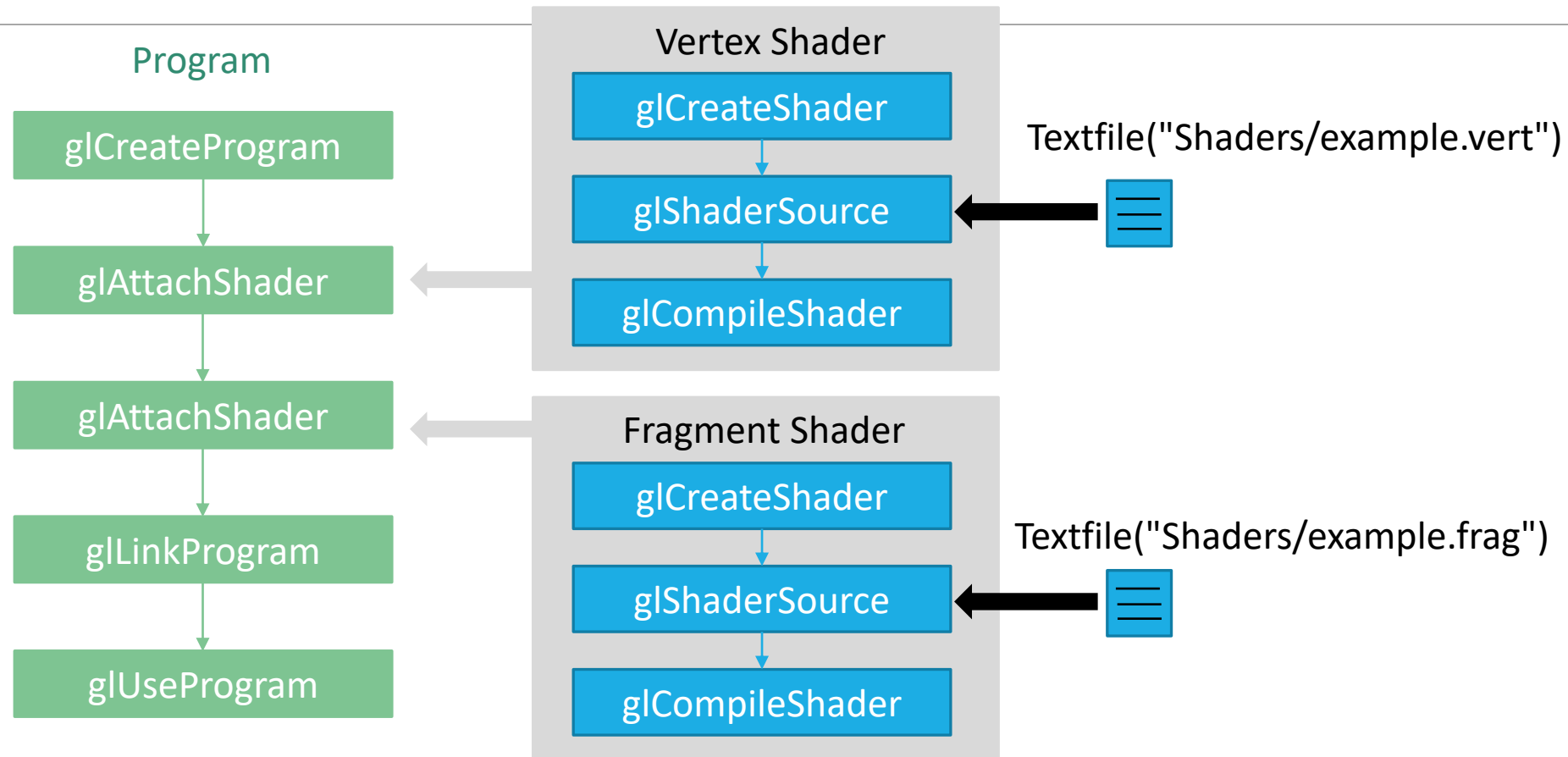
➤ `void glLinkProgram (GLuint program);`

- Link this program

➤ `void glDetachShader (GLuint program, GLuint shader);`

- Detaches the `shader` object from the `program` object.

Shader setting



```
GLuint vboName;
```

```
glGenBuffers(1, &vboName);
```

```
glBindBuffer(GL_ARRAY_BUFFER, vboName);
```

Vertex Buffer Objects (VBO)

➤ Since the vertex shader access only one vertex at one time, we use **Vertex Buffer Objects** to make the execution be faster. The advantage of using these buffered objects is that we can send a large amount of vertex data from system memory to GPU memory at one time instead of sending it once per vertex.

➤ Step 1 : Use **glGenBuffers()** to generate vertex buffer objects

- void **glGenBuffers** (GLsizei n, GLuint * buffers);

n : Specifies the number of buffer object names to be generated.

buffers : Specifies an array in which the generated buffer object names are stored.

➤ Step 2 : Use **glBindBuffer()** to bind the target buffer, which is GL_ARRAY_BUFFER here.

- void **glBindBuffer** (GLenum target, GLuint buffer);

target : GL_ARRAY_BUFFER 、 GL_TEXTURE_BUFFER 、

buffer : Specifies the name of a buffer object.

Vertex Buffer Objects (VBO)

```
class VertexAttribute {
public:
    GLfloat position[3];
    void setPosition(float x, float y, float z) {
        position[0] = x;
        position[1] = y;
        position[2] = z;
    };
};
```

➤ Step 3 : Set up vertices

➤ Step 4 : Use **glBufferData()** to copy the **data** into the **target**.

- void **glBufferData** (GLenum **target**, GLsizeiptr size, const GLvoid * **data**, GLenum usage);

target : GL_ARRAY_BUFFER 、 GL_TEXTURE_BUFFER 、

size : Specifies the size in bytes of the buffer object's new data store.

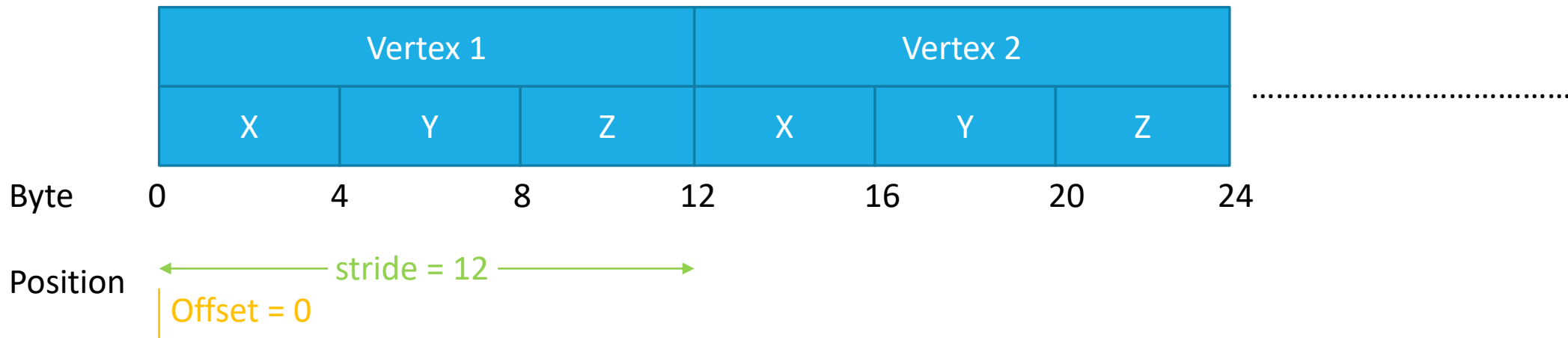
data : Specifies a pointer to data that will be copied into the data store for initialization, or NULL if no data is to be copied.

usage : Specifies the expected usage pattern of the data store. Ex: GL_STATIC_DRAW means the data store contents will be modified once and used at most a few times.

```
VertexAttribute *vertices;
vertices = drawTriangle();
glBufferData(GL_ARRAY_BUFFER, sizeof(VertexAttribute) * verticeNumber, vertices, GL_STATIC_DRAW);
```

Vertex Buffer Objects (VBO)

➤ Now the VBO looks like this



Vertex Attribute Pointer

- We can use **glVertexAttribPointer()** to link the vertex buffer with the vertex shader input.
- void **glVertexAttribPointer** (GLuint index, GLint size, GLenum type, GLboolean normalized, GLsizei stride, const GLvoid * pointer);
 - index : Specifies the index of the generic vertex attribute to be modified.
 - size : Specifies the number of components per generic vertex attribute.
 - type : Specifies the data type of each component in the array. Ex: GL_FLOAT
 - normalized : Specifies whether fixed-point data values should be normalized or not.
 - stride : Specifies the byte offset between consecutive generic vertex attributes.
 - pointer : Specifies a offset of the first component of the first generic vertex attribute in the array in the data store of the buffer currently bound to the GL_ARRAY_BUFFER target. The initial value is 0.

```
glVertexAttribPointer(0, 3, GL_FLOAT, GL_FALSE, sizeof(VertexAttribute), (void*)(offsetof(VertexAttribute, position)));
```

In vertex shader → `layout(location = 0) in vec3 position;`

Enable the vertex attribute arrays

- Remember to use **glEnableVertexAttribArray()** to enable the vertex attribute arrays because default it is disabled.
- **void glEnableVertexAttribArray (GLuint index);**
 - index : the same as the index of **glVertexAttribPointer()**.

```
glEnableVertexAttribArray(0);
```

Unbind the VBO

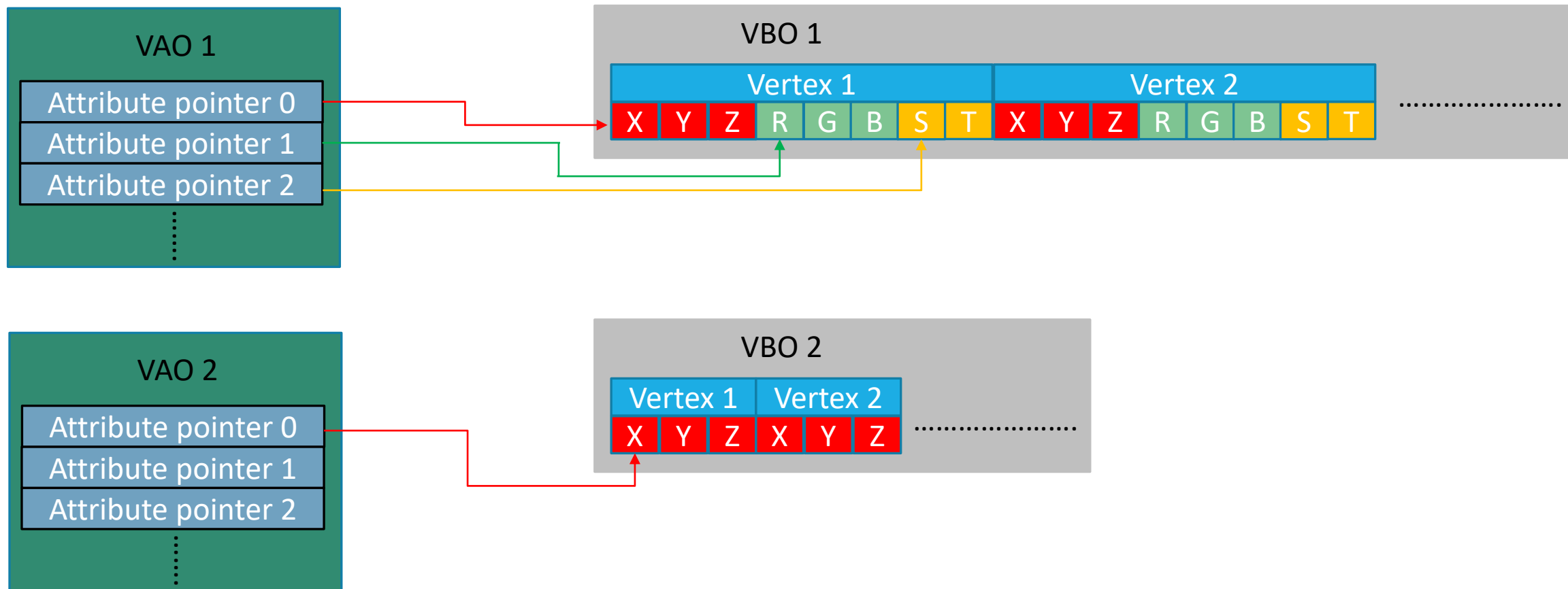
- Use **glBindBuffer()** with the buffer set to zero to unbind the target buffer.
- Ex: `glBindBuffer(GL_ARRAY_BUFFER, 0)` means to unbind the VBO previously bound.

```
glBindBuffer(GL_ARRAY_BUFFER, 0);
```

Supplement -- Vertex Array Object (VAO)

- If you want to render more than one objects, you have to repeat above steps (slides 10 ~15).
 - very troublesome
- Use VAO(Vertex Array Object) to handle this problem.
- First, you have to set up all the VAOs with its corresponding VBO, including all VertexAttribPointer. After that, every time you want to render a certain object, you just need to bind its VAO.

VAO



VAO setting (similar to VBO)

```
GLuint VAO;  
glGenVertexArrays(1, &VAO);  
glBindVertexArray(VAO);
```

➤ Step 1 : Use **glGenVertexArrays()** to generate vertex array objects

- void **glGenVertexArrays** (GLsizei n, GLuint * arrays);

n : Specifies the number of vertex array object names to be generated.

arrays : Specifies an array in which the generated vertex array object names are stored.

➤ Step 2 : Use **glBindVertexArray()** to bind a vertex array object.

- void **glBindVertexArray** (GLuint array)

array : Specifies the name of the vertex array to bind.

VAO setting (similar to VBO)

➤ Step 3 : Setting up its corresponding VBO, for example :

- `glBindBuffer(GL_ARRAY_BUFFER, VBO);`
- `glBufferData(GL_ARRAY_BUFFER, sizeof(vertices), vertices, GL_STATIC_DRAW);`
- `glVertexAttribPointer(0, 3, GL_FLOAT, GL_FALSE, 3 * sizeof(GLfloat), (GLvoid*)0);`
- `glEnableVertexAttribArray(0);`

➤ Step 4 : Use **`glBindVertexArray (0)`** with the array's name set to zero to unbind the array object.

- void **`glBindVertexArray`** (GLuint array)

Ex: `glBindVertexArray(0)` means to unbind the VAO previously bound.

When Rendering

➤ Step 1 : Use **glBindVertexArray(VAO)** to bind the VAO you want.

➤ Step 2 : Use **glDrawArrays()** to render primitives from vertex array data.

- void **glDrawArrays()** (GLenum mode, GLint first, GLsizei count);

mode : Specifies what kind of primitives to render. Ex: GL_POINTS, GL_LINES, GL_TRIANGLE_STRIP.....

first : Specifies the starting index in the enabled arrays.

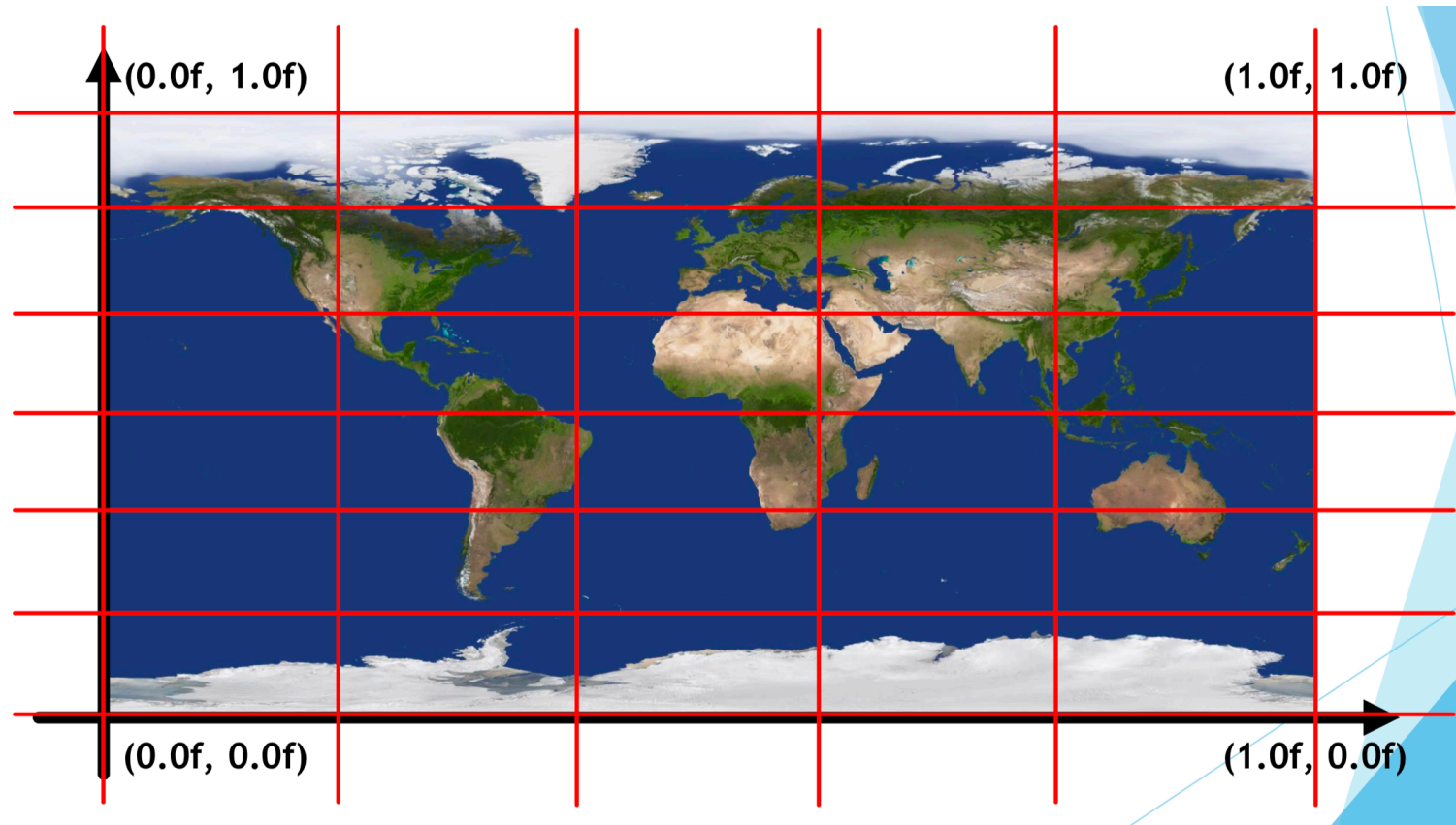
count : Specifies the number of indices to be rendered.

➤ Step 3 : Remember to unbind the VAO. (**glBindVertexArray(0)**)

*Every time you want to render another object, you just need to bind another VAO.

Texture

Texture coordinate



How to load and bind a texture

- Put “FreeImage.h” in folder “include”.
- Put “FreeImage.lib” in folder “lib”.
- Put “FreeImage.dll” in folder “dll”.

We will give you a visual studio project including these files and textures.

```
GLuint texture;

void LoadTexture(char* pFilename) {
    glEnable(GL_TEXTURE_2D);
    FIBITMAP* pImage = FreeImage_Load(FreeImage_GetFileType(pFilename, 0), pFilename);
    FIBITMAP *p32BitsImage = FreeImage_ConvertTo32Bits(pImage);
    int iWidth = FreeImage_GetWidth(p32BitsImage);
    int iHeight = FreeImage_GetHeight(p32BitsImage);
    glGenTextures(1, &texture);
    glBindTexture(GL_TEXTURE_2D, texture);

    glTexParameteri(GL_TEXTURE_2D, GL_TEXTURE_WRAP_S, GL_REPEAT);
    glTexParameteri(GL_TEXTURE_2D, GL_TEXTURE_WRAP_T, GL_REPEAT);
    glTexParameteri(GL_TEXTURE_2D, GL_TEXTURE_MIN_FILTER, GL_NEAREST);
    glTexParameteri(GL_TEXTURE_2D, GL_TEXTURE_MAG_FILTER, GL_LINEAR);
    glTexEnvf(GL_TEXTURE_ENV, GL_TEXTURE_ENV_MODE, GL_MODULATE);

    glTexImage2D(GL_TEXTURE_2D, 0, GL_RGBA8, iWidth, iHeight, 0,
        GL_BGRA, GL_UNSIGNED_BYTE, (void*)FreeImage_GetBits(p32BitsImage));

    glGenerateMipmap(GL_TEXTURE_2D);

    glBindTexture(GL_TEXTURE_2D, 0);
    FreeImage_Unload(p32BitsImage);
    FreeImage_Unload(pImage);
}
```

How to load and bind a texture

- void `glEnable`(GLenum cap);
 - Use `GL_TEXTURE_2D` to enable texture
- Use FreeImage library to **load** and **free** texture memory
- void `glGenTextures`(GLsizei n, GLuint * textures);
 - Takes as input how many textures we want to generate and stores them in a **unsigned int array**
- void `glBindTexture`(GLenum target, GLuint texture);
 - Bind a named texture to a texturing target
- void `glTexImage2D`(GLenum target, GLint level, GLint internalformat, GLsizei width, GLsizei height, GLint border, GLenum format, GLenum type, const GLvoid * data);
 - Generate a two-dimensional texture image

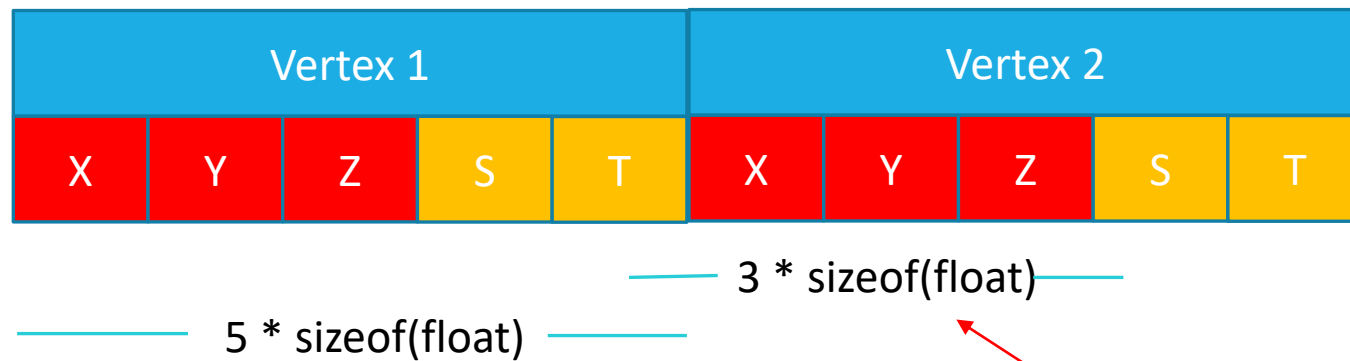
How to load and bind a texture

- `void glTexParameteri(GLenum target, GLenum pname, GLint param);`
- Texture wrapping
 - Texture coordinates usually range from (0,0) to (1,1) but if we specify coordinates outside this range, the default behavior of OpenGL is to **repeat** the texture images
 - `glTexParameteri(GL_TEXTURE_2D, GL_TEXTURE_WRAP_S, GL_REPEAT);`
 - `glTexParameteri(GL_TEXTURE_2D, GL_TEXTURE_WRAP_T, GL_REPEAT);`
- Texture filtering
 - Texture coordinates do not depend on resolution but can be any floating point value, thus OpenGL has to figure out which texture pixel to map the texture coordinate to
 - `glTexParameteri(GL_TEXTURE_2D, GL_TEXTURE_MIN_FILTER, GL_Nearest);`
 - `glTexParameteri(GL_TEXTURE_2D, GL_TEXTURE_MAG_FILTER, GL_LINEAR);`

How to load and bind a texture

- void `glTexEnvf`(GLenum target, GLenum pname, GLfloat param);
 - Set a texture environment parameter
- void `glGenerateMipmap`(GLenum target);
 - Generate mipmaps for a specified texture object

Applying texture



```
glVertexAttribPointer(1, 2, GL_FLOAT, GL_FALSE, sizeof(VertexAttribute), (void*)(offsetof(VertexAttribute, texcoord)));  
glEnableVertexAttribArray(1);
```

In vertex shader

- We need to let the vertex shader to accept the texture coordinates as a vertex attribute and then forward the coordinates to the fragment shader – using **location**
- Your output object name and type in vertex shader **must** be as same as the input object name and type in fragment shader

e.g. In vertex shader, our output object is called Texcoord

See next page



```
#version 430
```

```
layout(location = 0) in vec3 position;
```

```
layout(location = 1) in vec2 texcoord;
```

```
out vec2 Texcoord
```

```
void main() {
```

```
    gl_Position = vec4(position, 1.0);
```

```
    Texcoord = texcoord
```

```
}
```

```
glVertexAttribPointer(1, 2, GL_FLOAT, GL_FALSE, sizeof(VertexAttribute), (void*)(offsetof(VertexAttribute, texcoord)));  
glEnableVertexAttribArray(1);
```

In fragment shader

- How do we pass the texture object to the fragment shader?
 - GLSL has a built-in data-type for texture objects called a **sampler**
 - We can then add a texture to the fragment shader by simply declaring a **uniform sampler2D** that we later assign our texture to
- Your output object name and type in vertex shader **must** be as same as the input object name and type in fragment shader

e.g. In fragment shader, our input object is called Texcoord

```
#version 430

in vec2 Texcoord

out vec4 FragColor

uniform sampler2D ourTexture;

void main() {
    FragColor = texture(ourTexture, Texcoord)
}
```

Assign texture to fragment shader

- GLint `glGetUniformLocation`(GLuint program, const GLchar *name);
 - return the location of a uniform variable
- void `glActiveTexture`(GLenum texture);
 - Select active texture unit
- void `glUseProgram`(GLuint program);
 - Installs a program object as part of current rendering state
- void `glUniform1i`(GLint location, GLint v0);
 - specify the value of a uniform variable for the current program object

Main.cpp

```
GLint texLoc = glGetUniformLocation(program, "ourTexture");
glUseProgram(program);
glActiveTexture(GL_TEXTURE0);
glBindTexture(GL_TEXTURE_2D, texture);
glUniform1i(texLoc, 0);
```

Shader.frag

```
#version 430

in vec2 Texcoord

out vec4 FragColor

uniform sampler2D ourTexture;

void main() {
    FragColor = texture(ourTexture, Texcoord)
}
```

GLSL Shader Coding example

example.vert

Input : Single vertex



Vertex Shader

Output : Single vertex



In vertex shader, first, send the vertex's position to the shader using location. Then transform the position to clip space by model view and projection matrix.

➤ layout:

Layout qualifiers affect where the storage for a variable comes from.

➤ uniform:

A uniform is a global shader variable, they do not change from one shader invocation to the next within a particular rendering call.

```
#version 430

layout(location = 0) in vec3 position;

uniform mat4 Projection;
uniform mat4 ModelView;

void main() {
    gl_Position = Projection * ModelView * vec4(position, 1.0);
}
```


example.vert

Input : Single vertex

Vertex Shader

Output : Single vertex

➤ **gl_Position:**

Contain the clip space position of the current vertex.

/*HW2 HINT*/

Try to get the texture coordinate from the vertex. Then pass it to the fragment shader.

```
#version 430

layout(location = 0) in vec3 position;

uniform mat4 Projection;
uniform mat4 ModelView;

void main() {
    gl_Position = Projection * ModelView * vec4(position, 1.0);
}
```

example.frag

Input : One pixel

Fragment Shader

Output :
One or no pixel

In fragment shader, we output the final color of the pixel.

```
#version 430
out vec4 frag_color;

void main() {
    frag_color = vec4(0.0, 1.0, 0.0, 1.0);
}
```

*/*HW2 HINT*/*

To output the texture, we may need the coordinates from the previous shader.
See the instruction in the texture chapter...

Reference

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