

Introduction to Graphics Programming and its Applications

繪圖程式設計與應用

OpenGL Overview

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What is OpenGL ?



Yes or No?

- OpenGL = Open Game Library
- OpenGL is a programming language
- OpenGL is for windows programming
- OpenGL is OS independent
- OpenGL is windows system independent



About OpenGL

- Abbreviated from **Open Graphics Library**.
- OpenGL is a ***graphics rendering API***.
- Accessing features in graphics hardware.
- Over 500 commands to specify image, texture, object and shader programs.
- Producing interactive 3-dimensional computer-graphics applications.

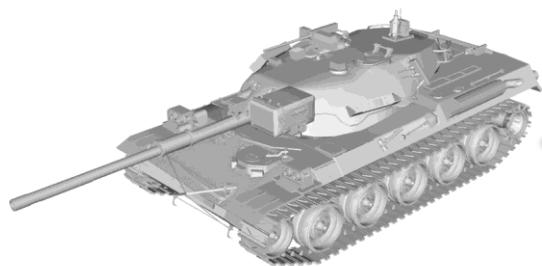


About OpenGL (cont'd)

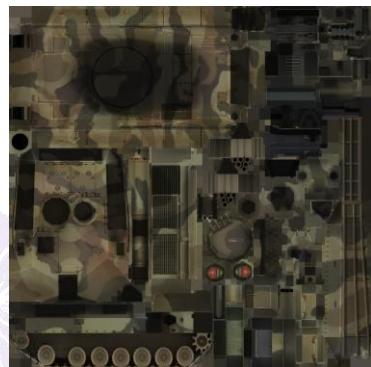
- OpenGL is designed as:
 - A streamlined, hardware-independent API.
 - A primitive-based rendering pipeline.
 - A client-server system.
- OpenGL is implemented by:
 - Video card manufacturer for each hardware/OS
 - NVidia, AMD.
 - OS provider (software rendering).
 - Yourself! (***Computer Graphics CS 5500***)



About OpenGL (cont'd)



3D Model



Texture

Light = $(1.5, 0.6, 0.2)$

Material=.....



Your OpenGL
application



Rendered image



SGI and GL

- Silicon Graphics (SGI) revolutionized the graphics workstation by implementing the pipeline in hardware (1982).
- Application programmers built a library called **GL** to access the system.
- The GL library largely simplifies programming 3D interactive applications.



The Birth of OpenGL

- The success of GL leads to OpenGL (1992), a platform-independent rendering API that is:
 - Easy to use.
 - Focusing on rendering.
 - Close enough to the hardware to achieve excellent performance.
 - Omitting windowing and input to avoid window system dependencies.



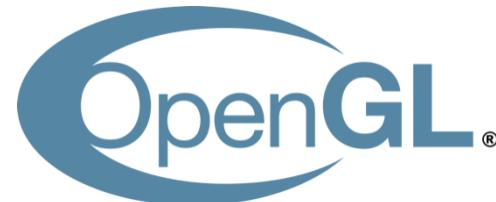
OpenGL Evolution

- Originally maintained by an Architectural Review Board (ARB)
 - Members include SGI, Microsoft, NVidia, HP, 3DLabs, IBM, etc.
- Current stable version is 4.5
 - Evolution reflects new hardware capabilities
 - 3D texture mapping and texture objects
 - Vertex programs
- Allowing platform specific features through extensions.
- ARB is substituted by Kronos group.



OpenGL for Different Platforms

- OpenGL
 - The industry's foundation for high performance graphics.
- OpenGL ES
 - The standard for embedded accelerated 3D graphics.
- WebGL
 - OpenGL ES 2.0 for the web.



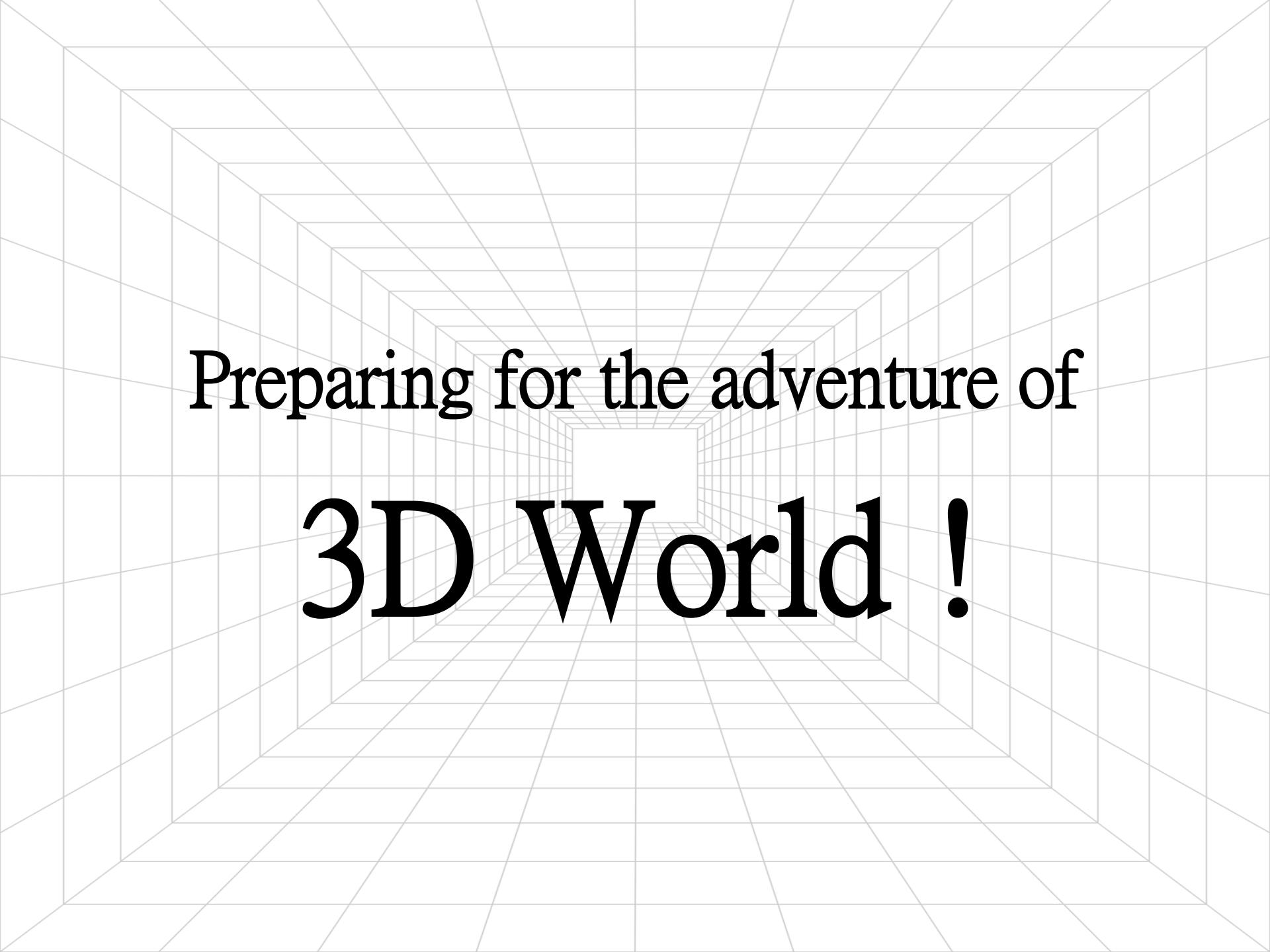
Vulkan

- A.K.A. OpenGL Next
- Idea similar to AMD Mantle and Direct3D 12
- A Fully cross-platform API
 - Windows, Linux, Android...
 - Google has acquired the mobile group of [LunarG](#),
the develop team of the Vulkan driver



Vulkan

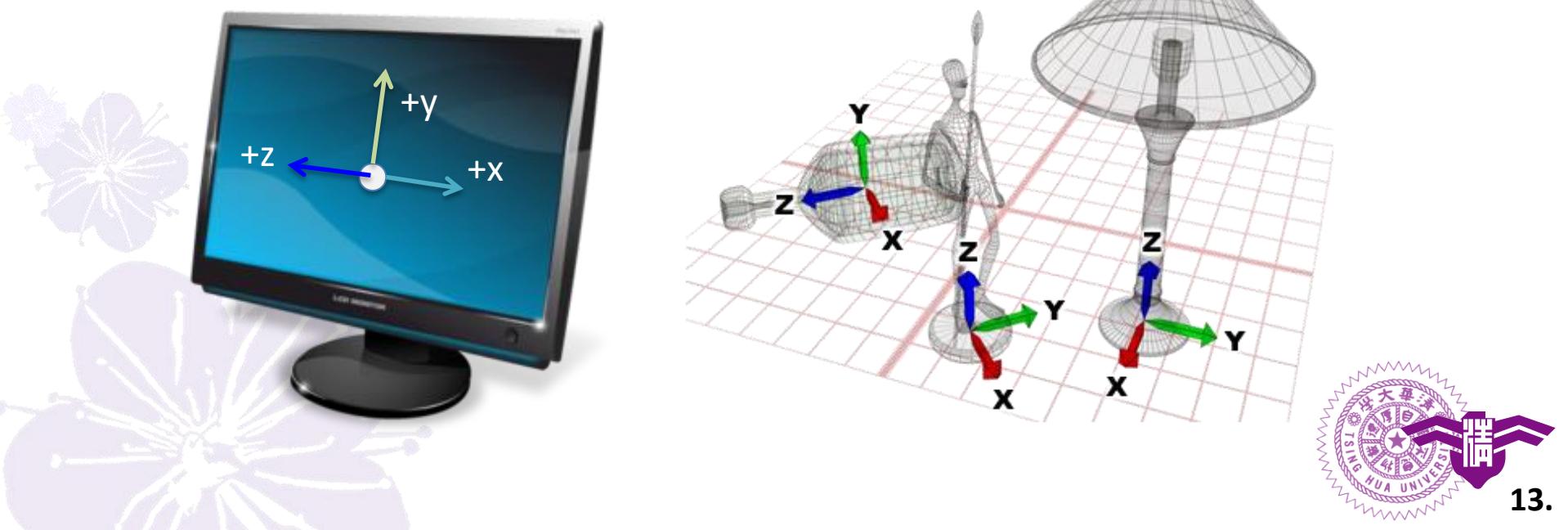




Preparing for the adventure of
3D World !

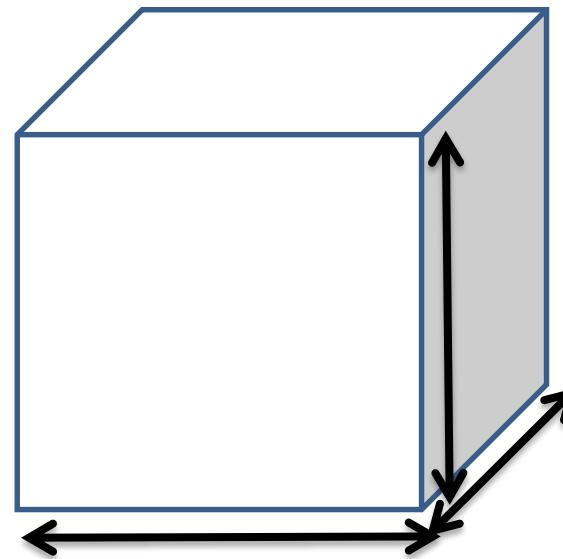
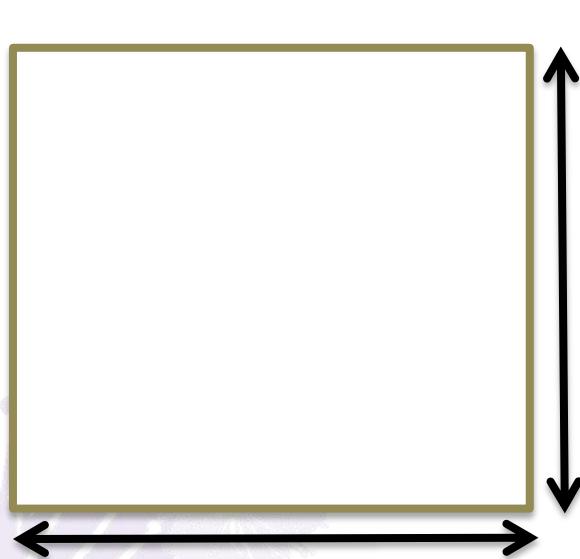
Cartesian Coordinate System

- A space where you draw things.
- 3D world/local coordinate.
- 2D screen coordinate.



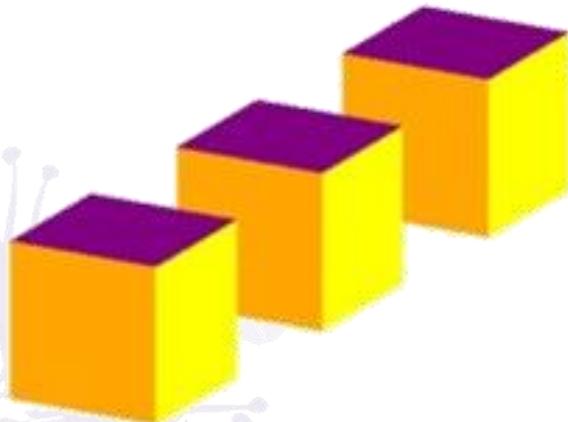
3D Primitives

- Objects with “three” dimensional measurements.

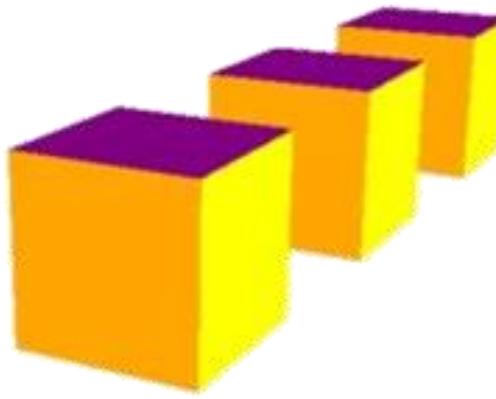


A Viewing Camera

- Orthographic view
 - The length of a projected 3D line segments is invariant to its distance from camera.
- Perspective view
 - Distant objects look smaller than near ones.

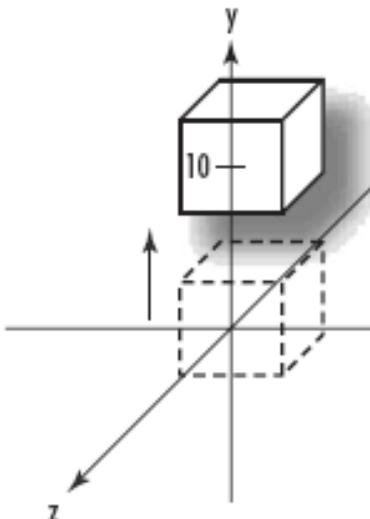


orthographic view

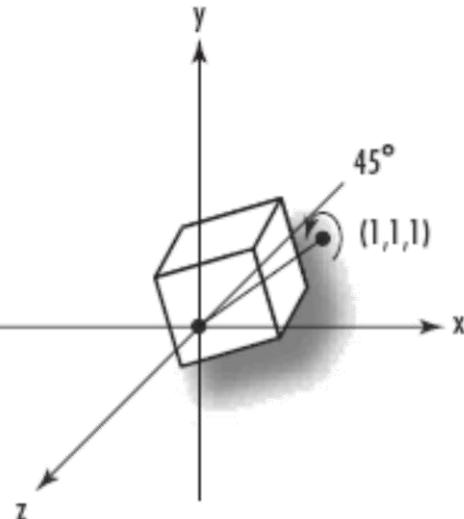


perspective view

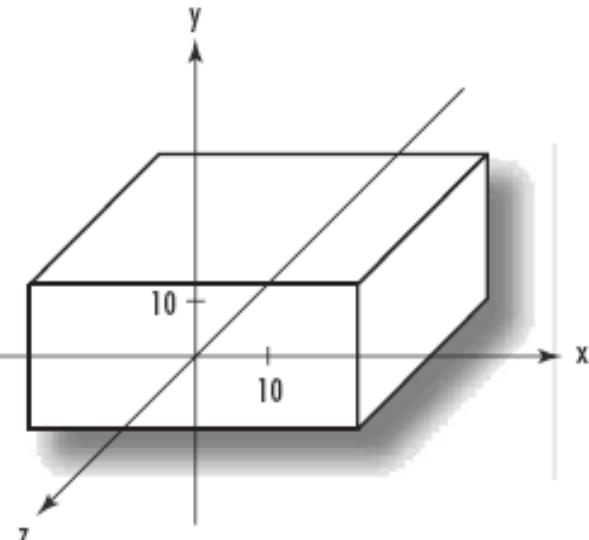
3D Transformations



translation



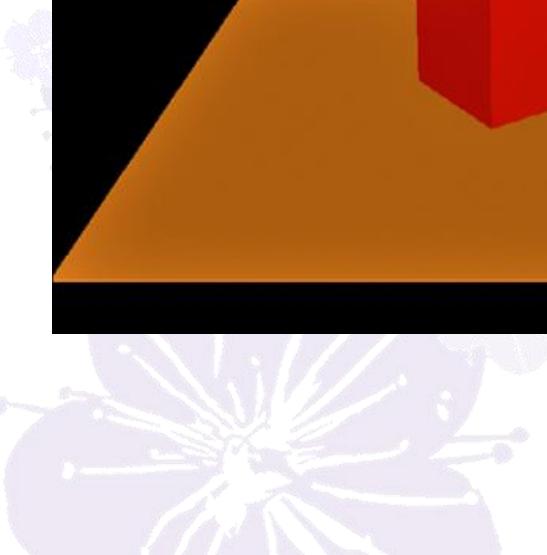
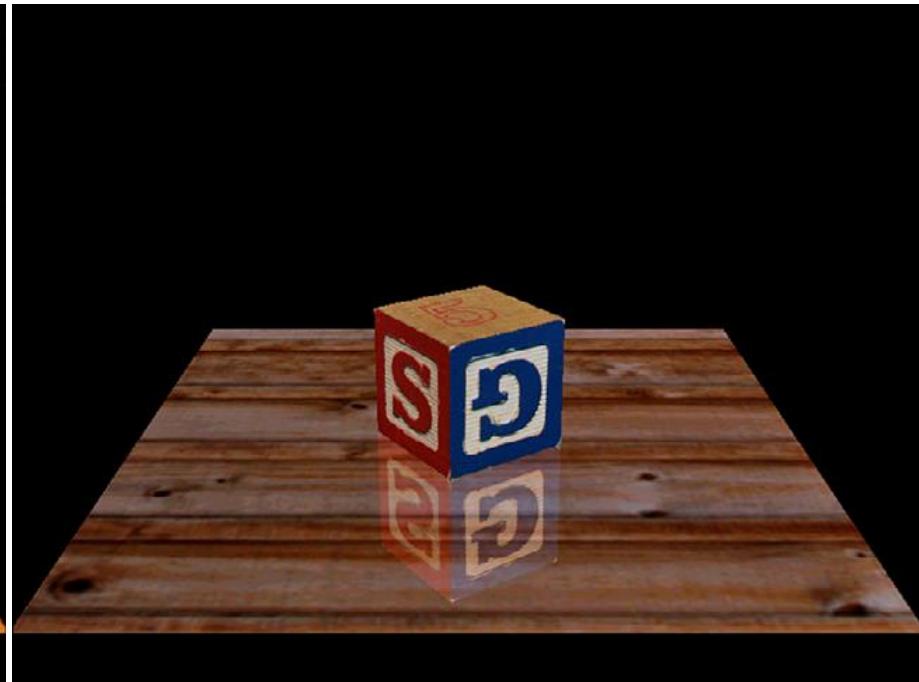
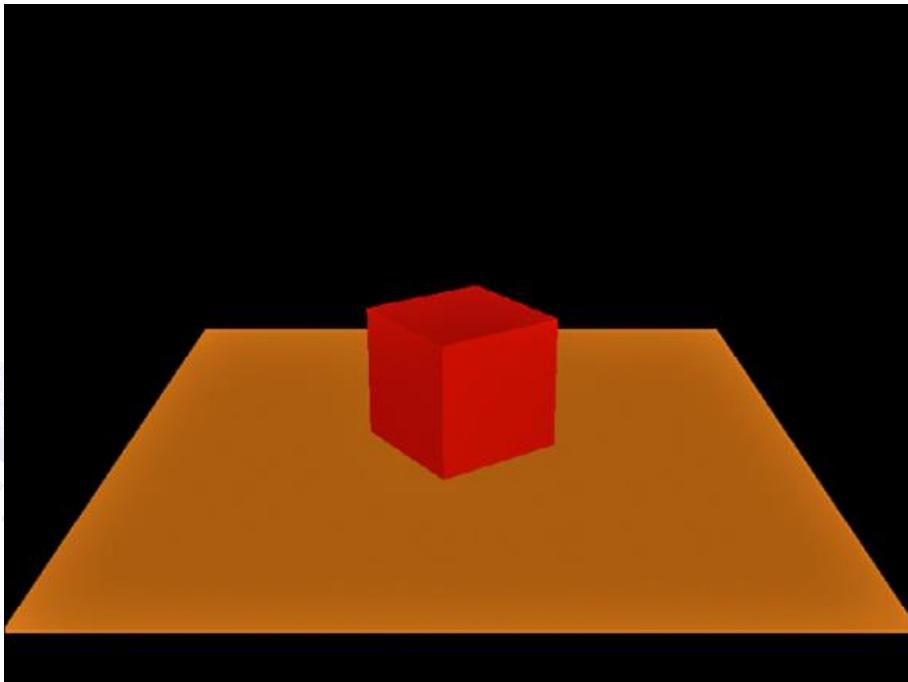
rotation



scaling

Material and Lighting

- Color, texture, shading...etc.



Render to Frame-Buffer (Screen)



So…What does OpenGL Concern?



The Spirit of OpenGL

- OpenGL works as a *state machine*
- There are roughly two types of APIs:

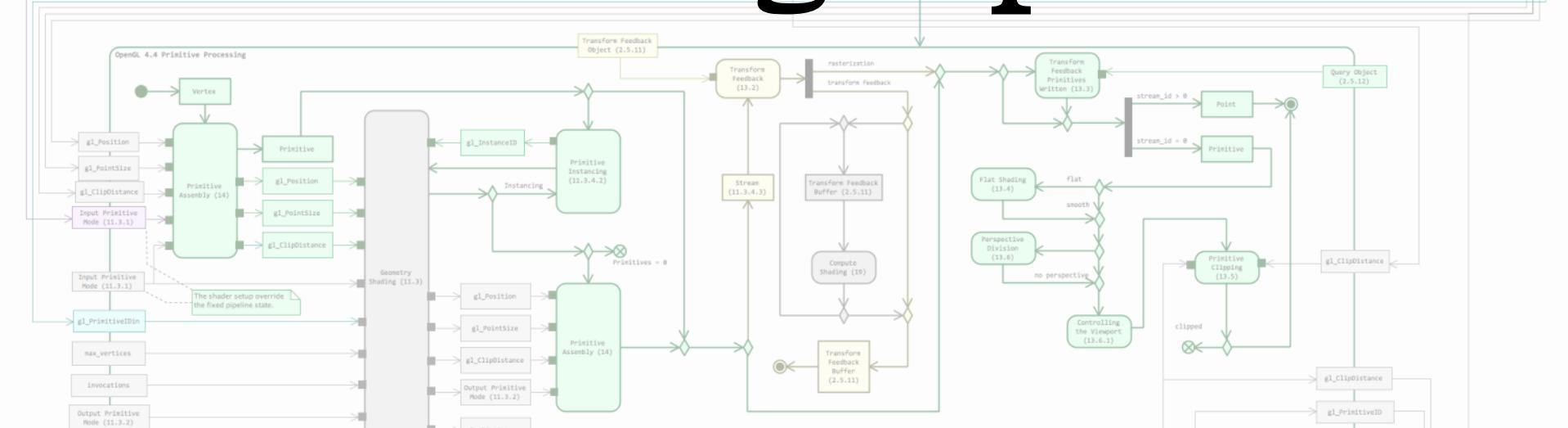
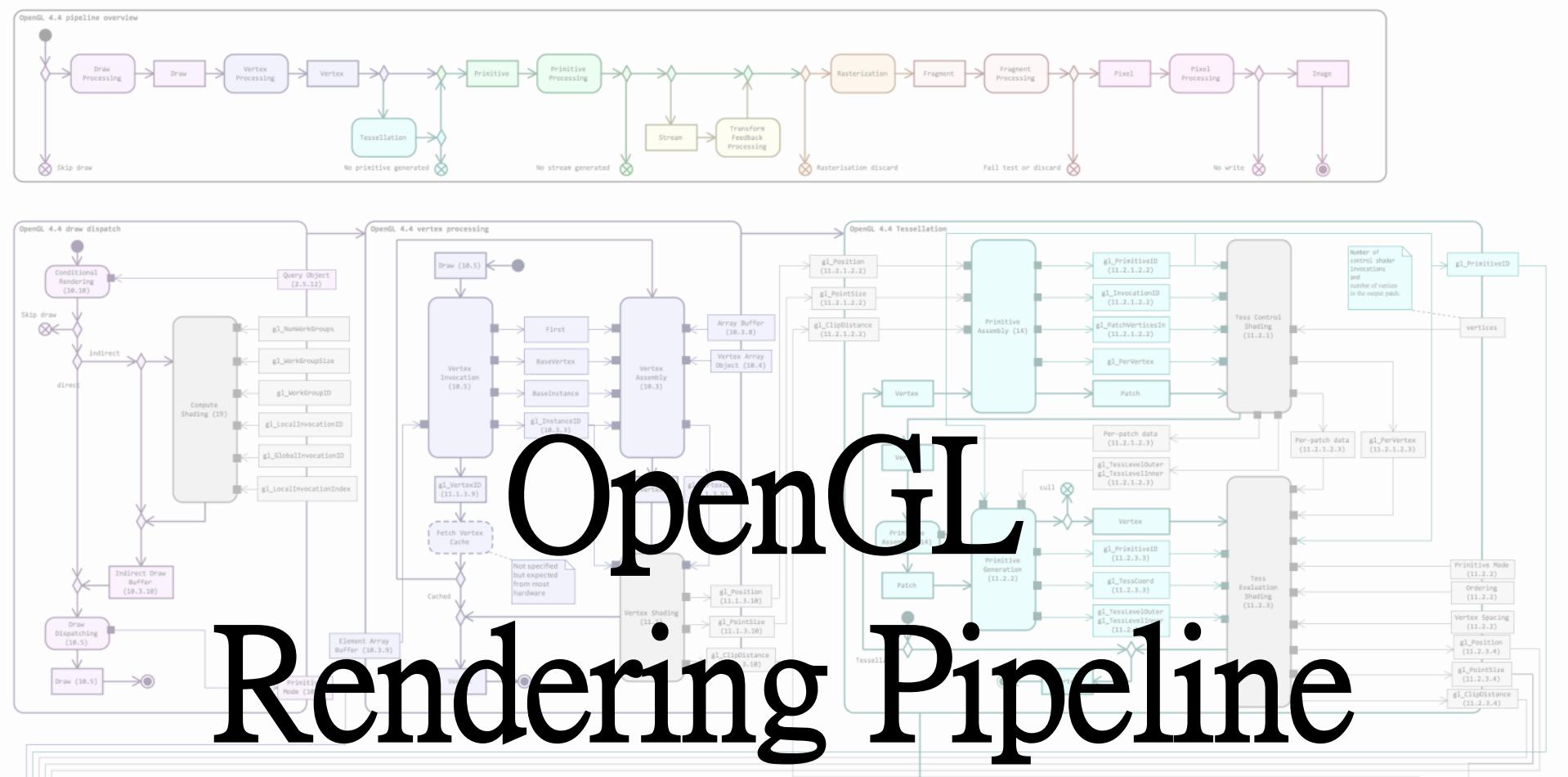
APIs to Specify Objects

- Vertex or Index Buffers
- 1D, 2D, 3D Textures
- Shader Programs
- Framebuffer Objects

APIs to Configure the Pipeline

- State of Fixed Function Stages
- Specify the Shader Program being Used
- Specify the Render Target being Used



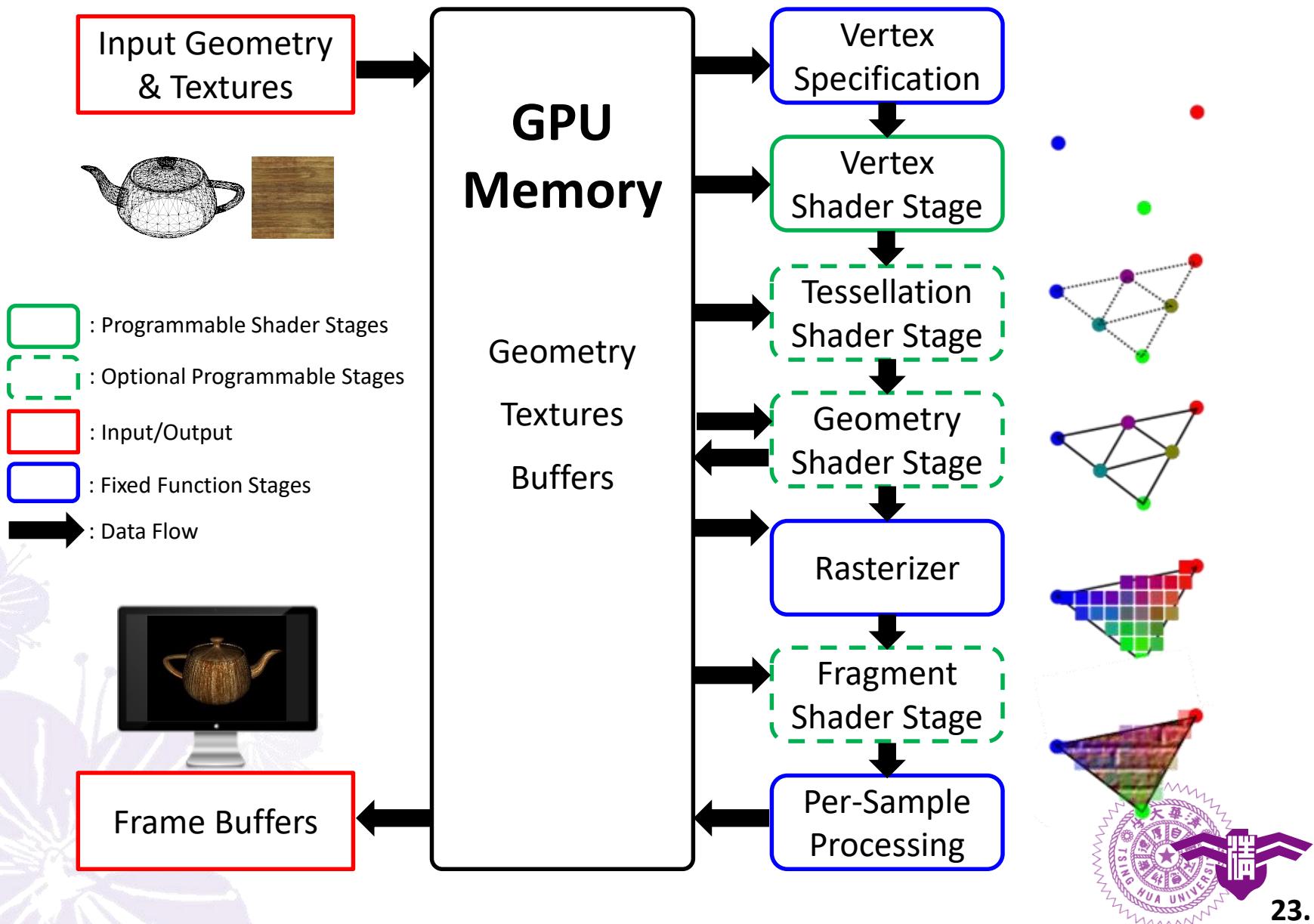


Rendering Pipeline

- Pipeline: consists of multiple stages. Data flows in, being processed in each stages, then flows out
- Stages: each stage represents an unique function to process the input data
 - **Fixed function** stages: limited customization capability, typically exposes states for configuration
 - **Programmable shader** stages: allow custom shader programs to be executed within, providing broader capability of customization



The OpenGL Rendering Pipeline

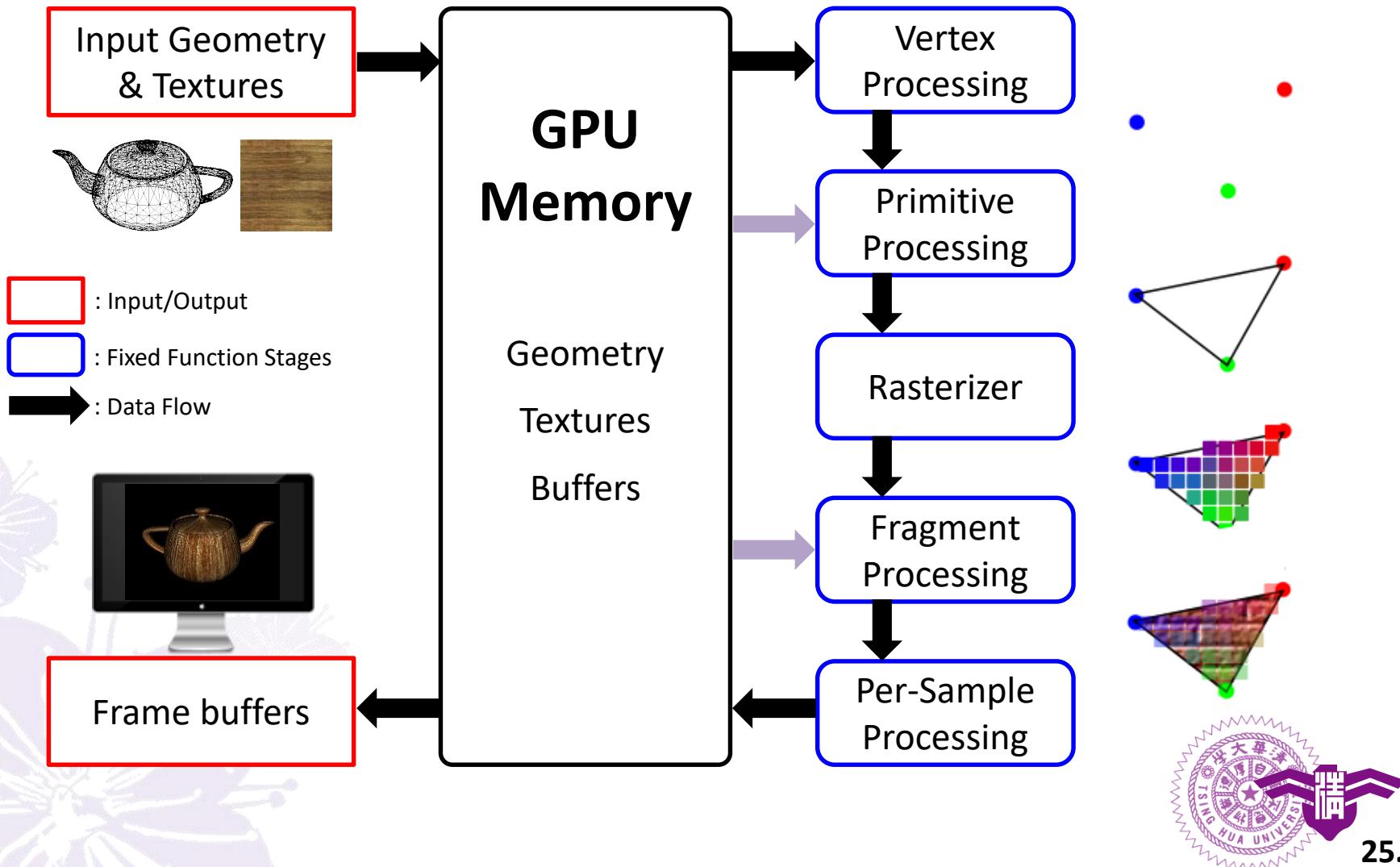


Fixed Function Pipeline (Legacy)

- Before OpenGL 3.0, OpenGL rendering is done in a fixed function pipeline
- Fixed pipeline is like a machine with a lot of switches/values to configure
- One cannot change how the function is implemented as well as the order of execution



Fixed Function Pipeline (Legacy)



Fixed Function Pipeline: Metaphor

OpenGL Fixed Function Pipeline



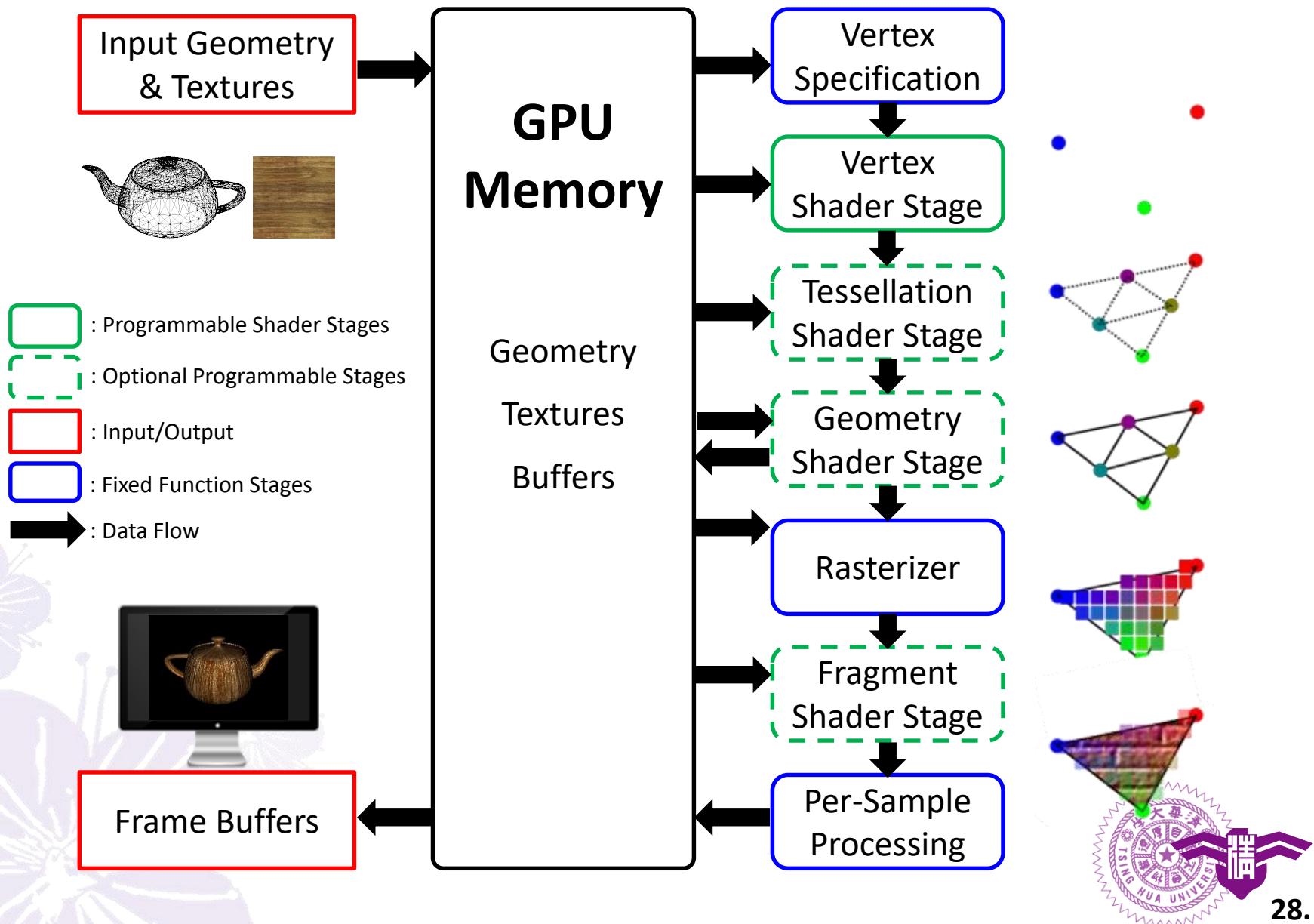
How do I press these
buttons to get desired
effect?

Programmable Pipeline

- Shader programs are introduced in OpenGL 2.0, and included in the core profile in OpenGL 3.0
- Fixed function pipeline is deprecated since OpenGL 3.0
- Shader programs, written in OpenGL Shading Language(GLSL), allow the programmers to customize certain stages in the OpenGL rendering pipeline



The OpenGL Rendering Pipeline



Programmable Pipeline: Metaphor

Shader Programs



```
uniform float t;      // Time (passed in from the application)
attribute vec4 vel; // particle velocity

const vec4 g = vec4( 0.0, -9.80, 0.0 );

void main()
{
    vec4 position = gl_Vertex;
    position += t*vel + t*t*g;

    gl_Position = gl_ModelViewProjectionMatrix * position;
}
```



Let's write a program
to create the effect!



Programmable Pipeline V.S. Fixed Function Pipeline

	Programmable Pipeline	Fixed Function Pipeline
Flexibility	+implement various algorithms in shader programs	-limited customization capability
For Simple Application	-must configure the whole pipeline	+performs simple task with less configurations
For Complex Application	+can achieve various effects	-most advanced effects are impossible
Learning Curve	-one must have full knowledge of the pipeline and GLSL before writing an application	+can create simple applications without much knowledge
Deploy	-should consider all graphics driver environment	+works in most graphics driver environment



OpenGL Library (1.1)

- OpenGL core library
 - OpenGL32 on Windows
 - GL on most Unix/Linux systems (libGL.a)
- OpenGL Utility Library (GLU)
 - Providing functionality in OpenGL core but avoiding having to rewrite code
 - NURBS, tessellators, quadric shapes, etc
- Links with windows system
 - GLX for X windows system
 - WGL for Windows
 - AGL for Macintosh



GLUT (OpenGL Utility Toolkit)

- Configuring a windows program
- Registering input callback functions
 - Rendering
 - Resizing
 - Input: keyboard, mouse, etc
- Entering event processing loop
- freeglut
 - <http://freeglut.sourceforge.net/>



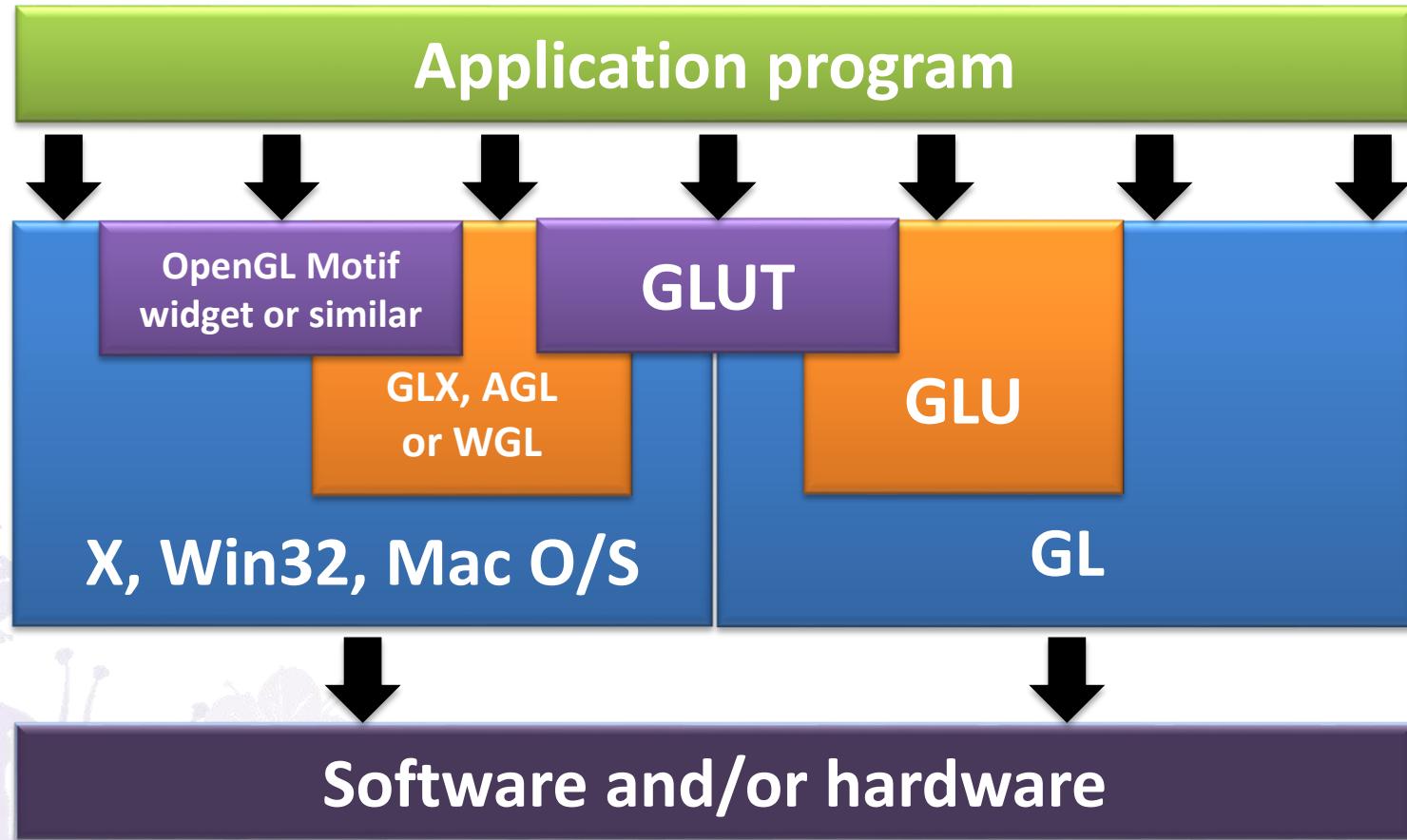
GLUT Callback Functions

- Routines to call when something happen
 - Window resize or redraw
 - User inputs
 - Animation
- “Register” callbacks with GLUT

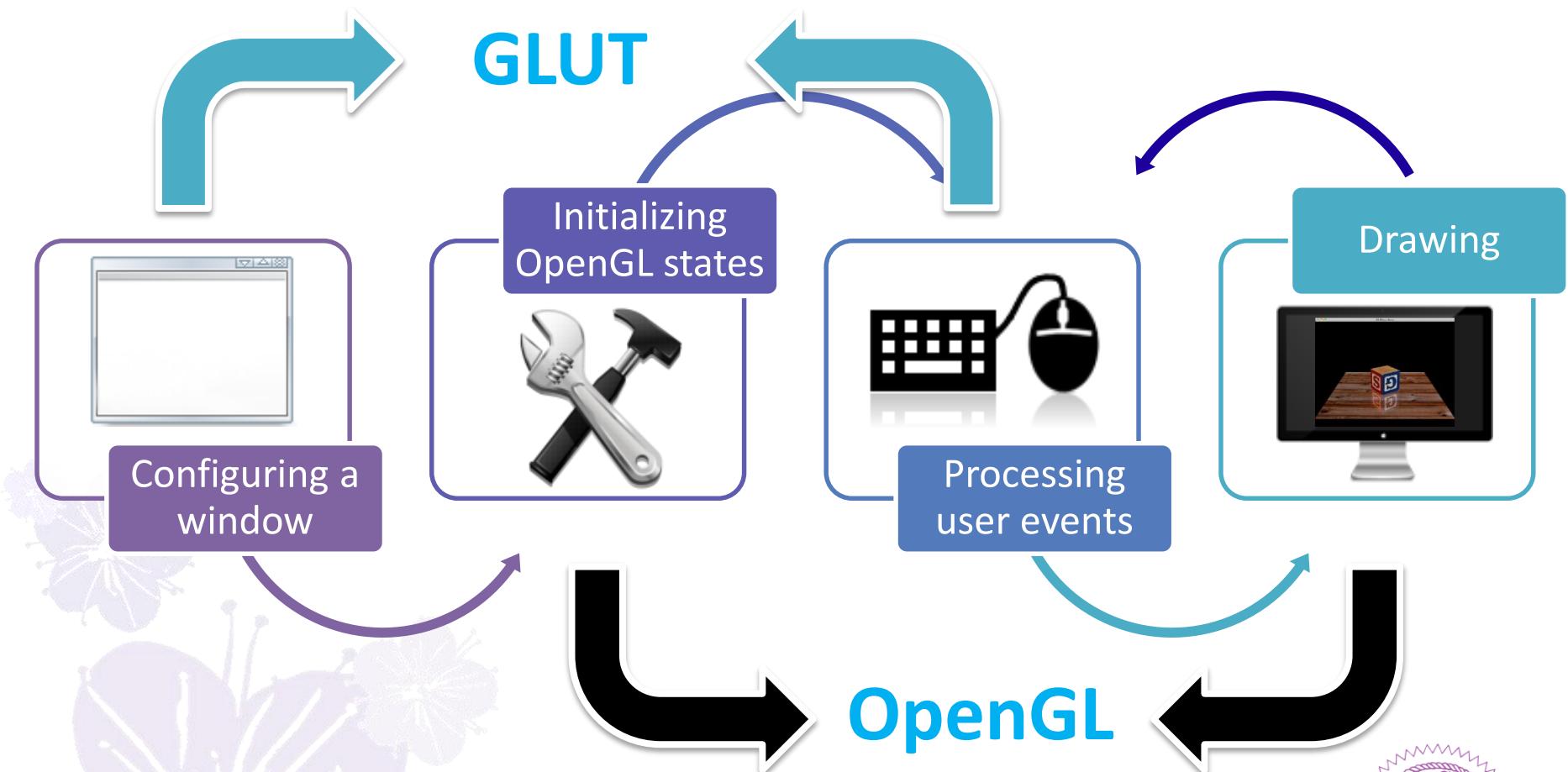
```
glutDisplayFunc( display ) ;  
glutIdleFunc( idle ) ;  
glutKeyboardFunc( keyboard ) ;
```



Software Architecture



General Structure of an OpenGL Program



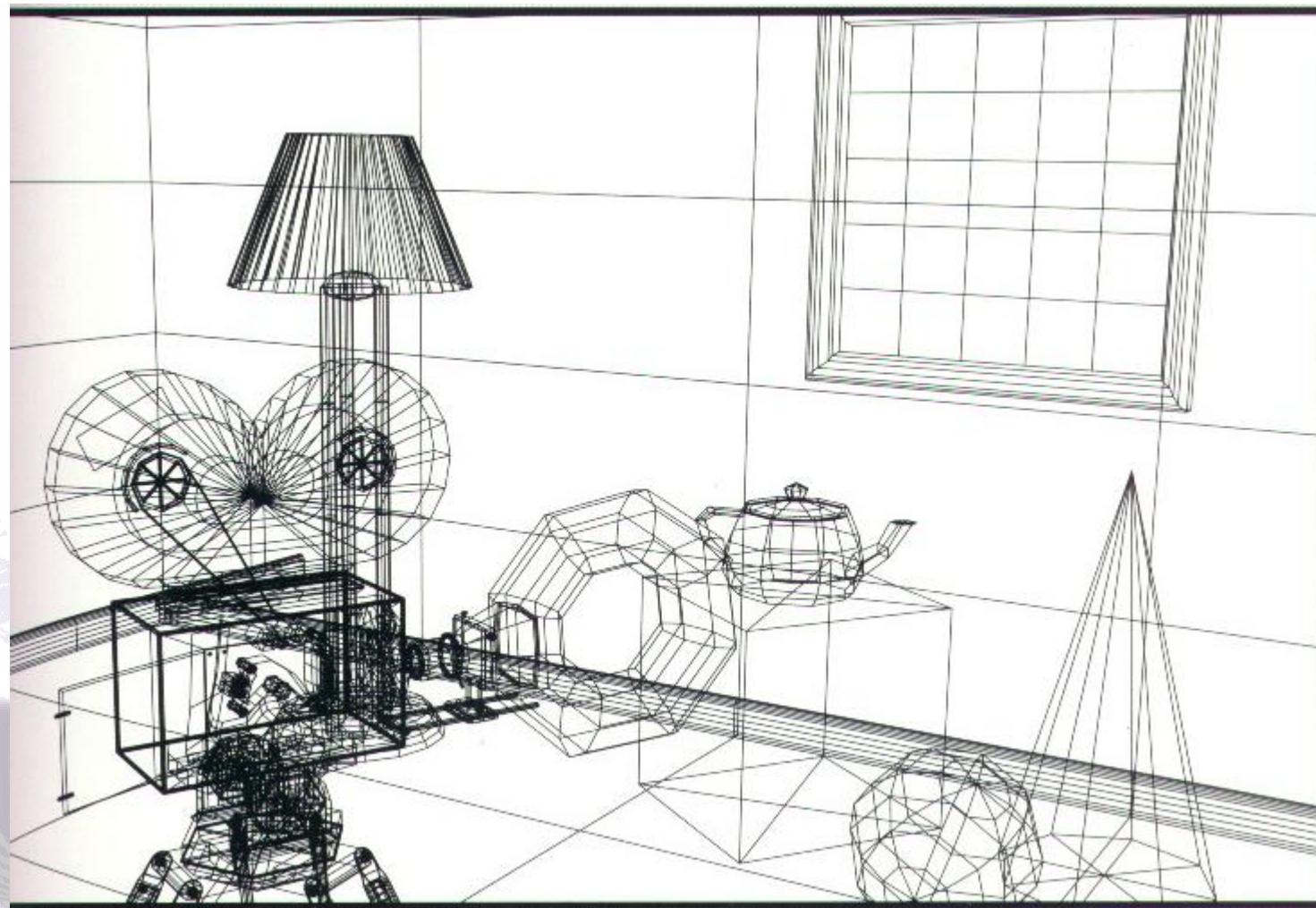


Steps toward reality

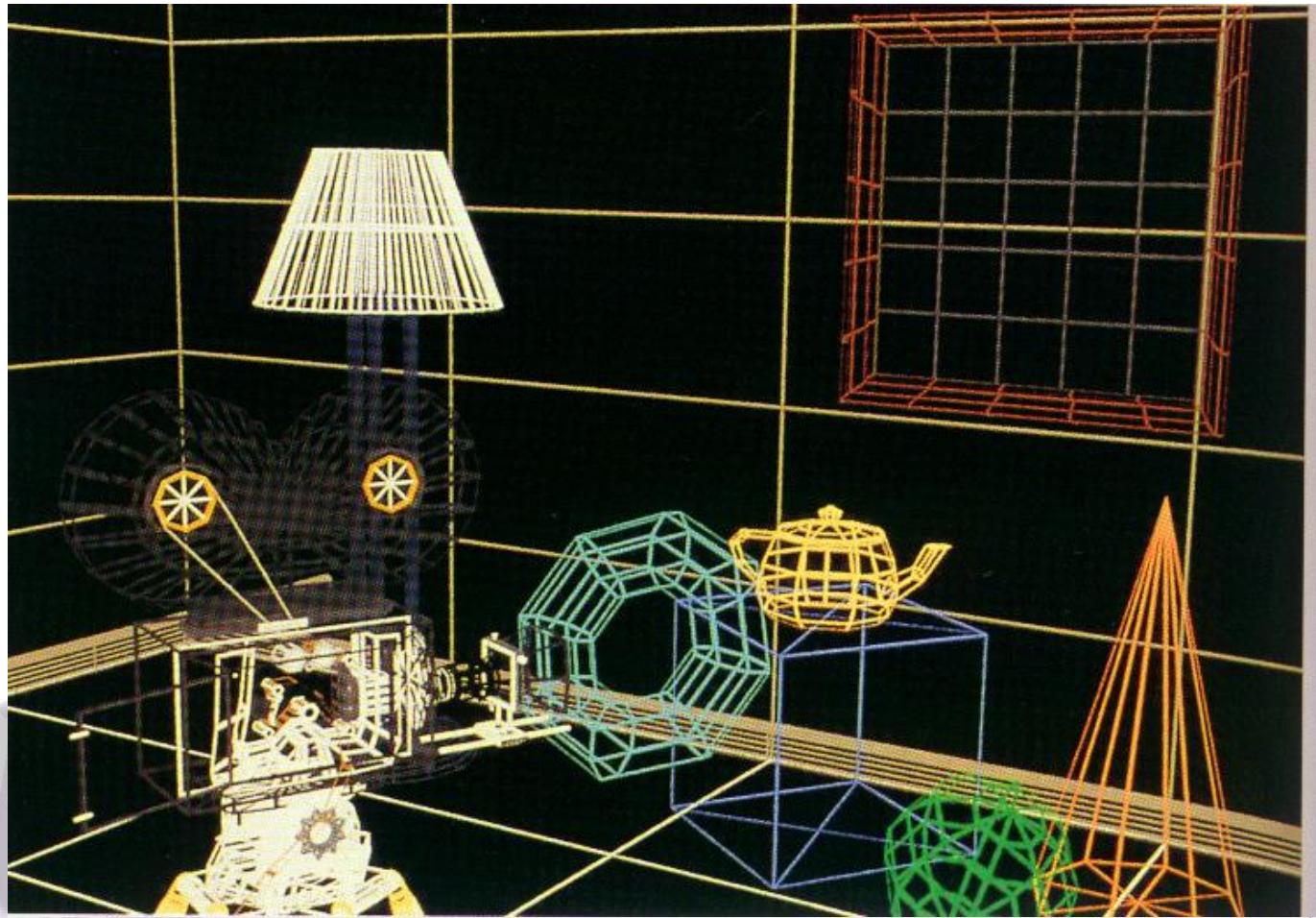
A STEP-WISE ILLUSTRATION



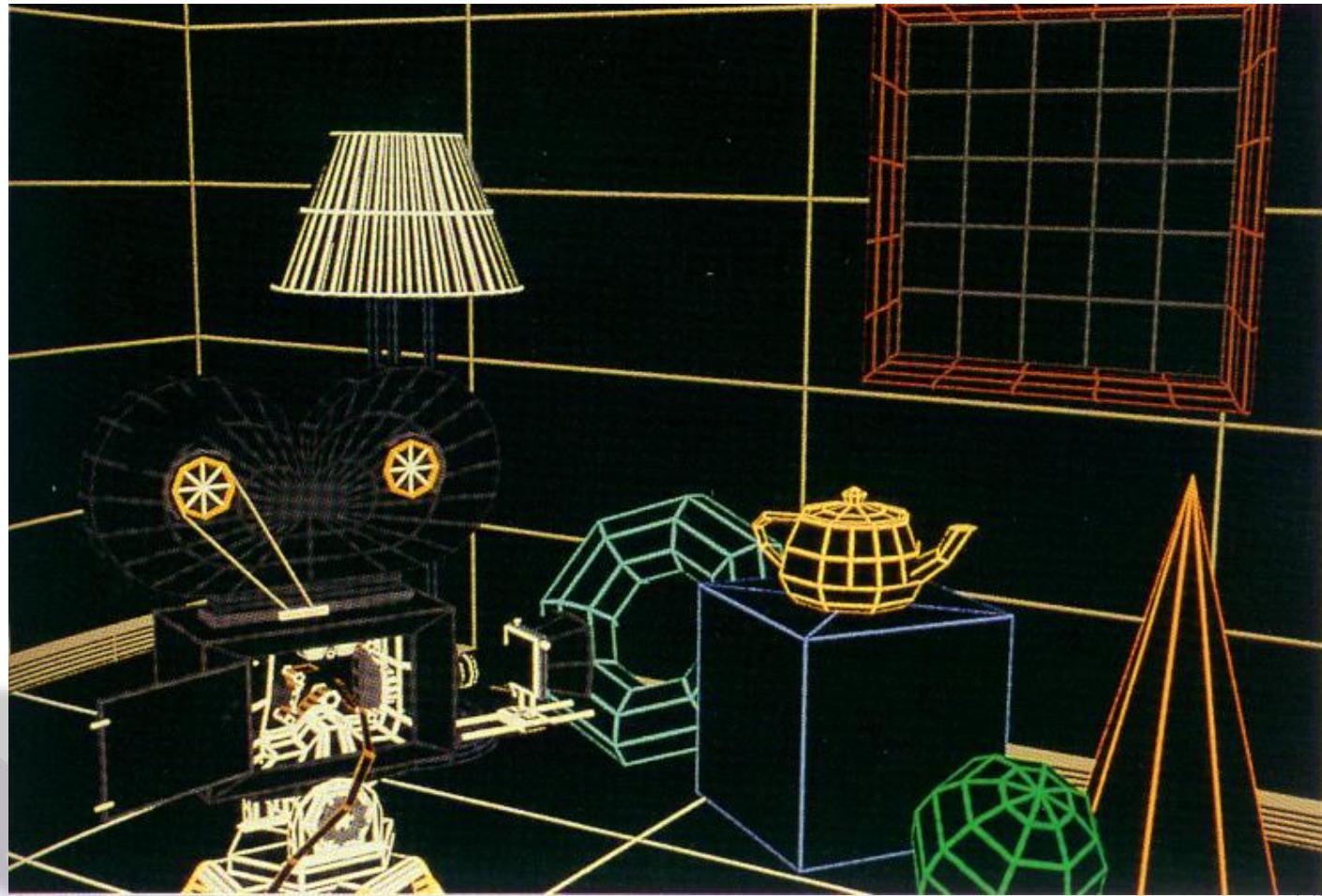
Primitive Wireframe Rendering



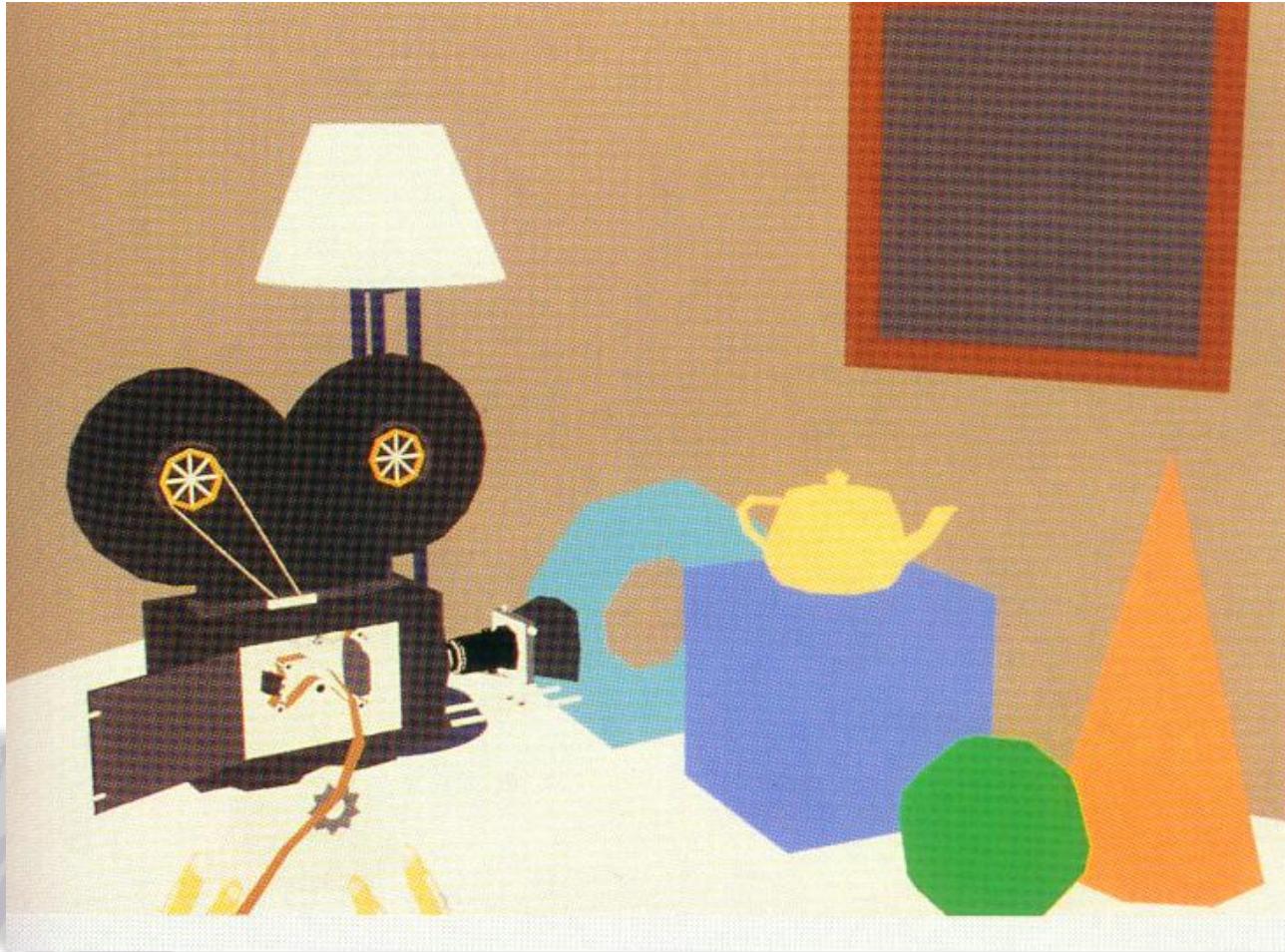
Colored Wireframe



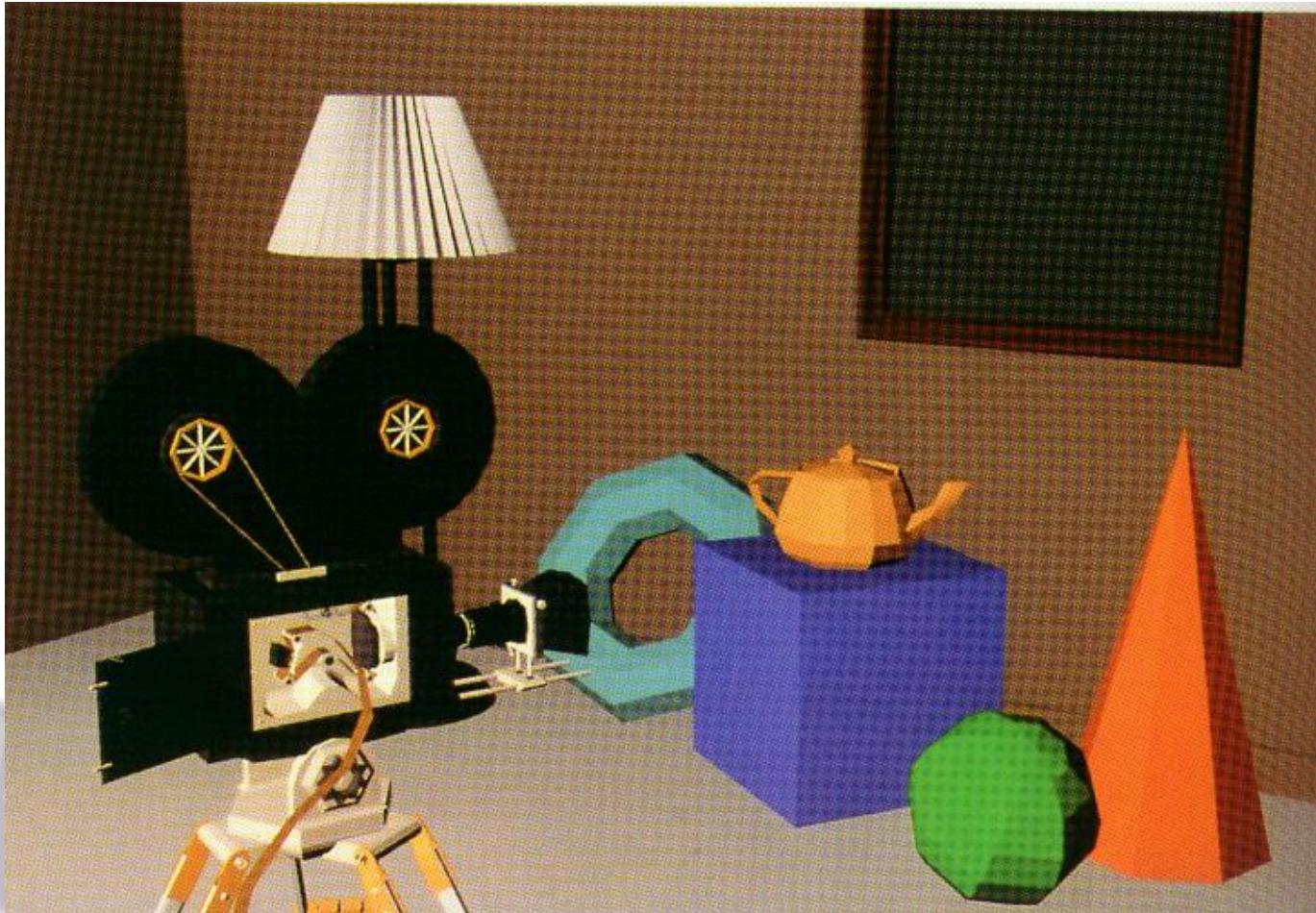
Solid Rendering with Wireframe



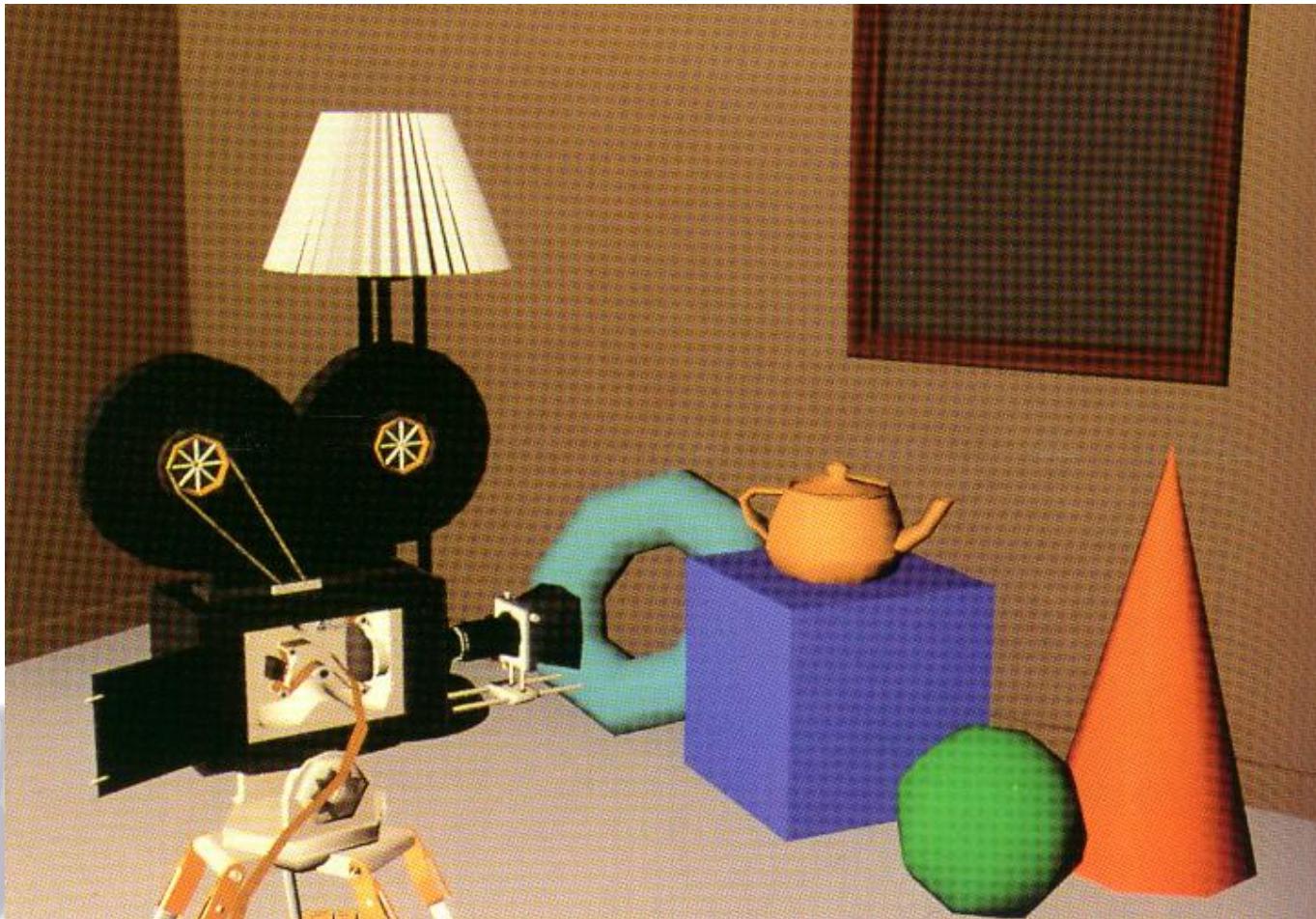
Constant Shading



Flat Shading



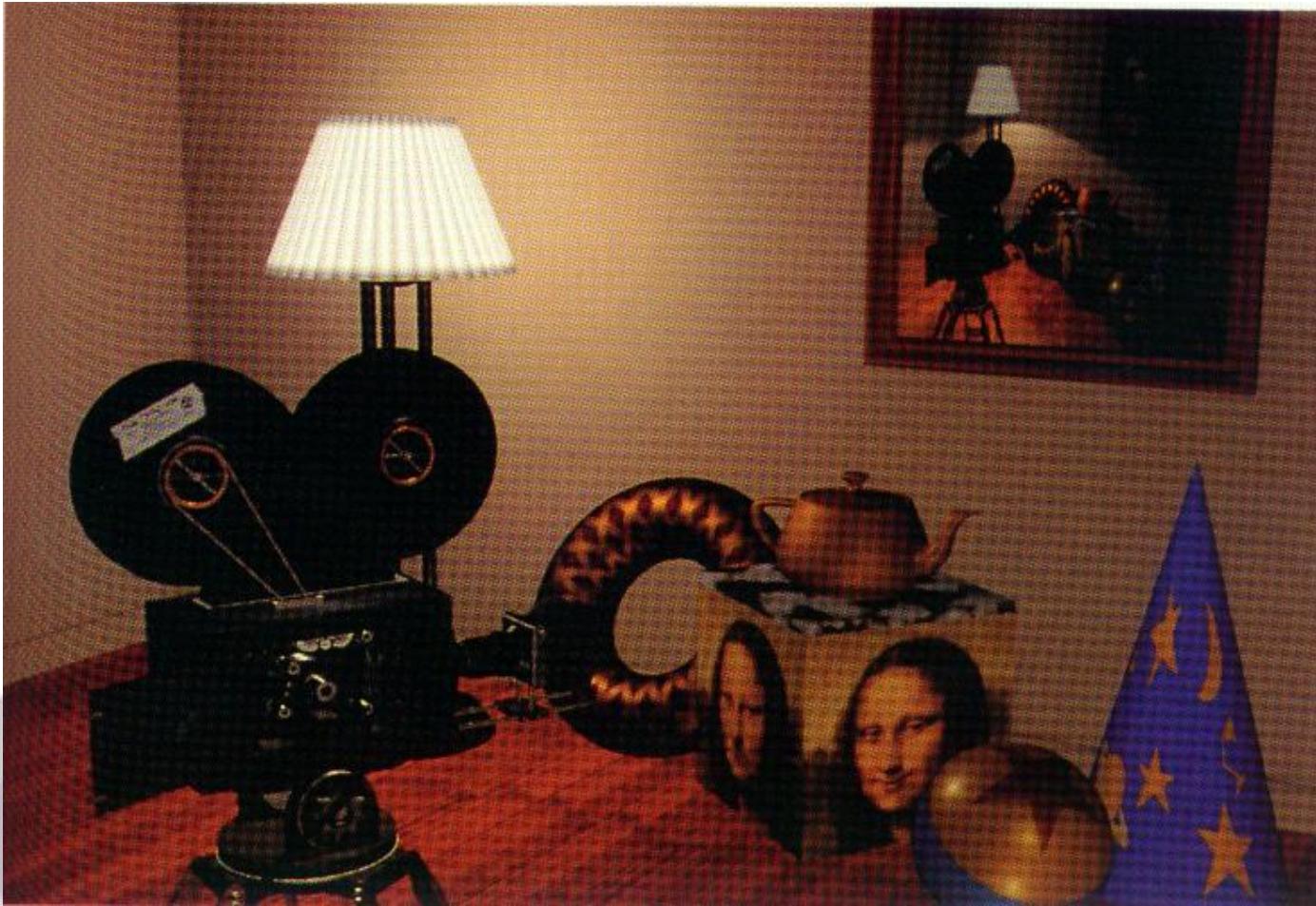
Smooth Shading



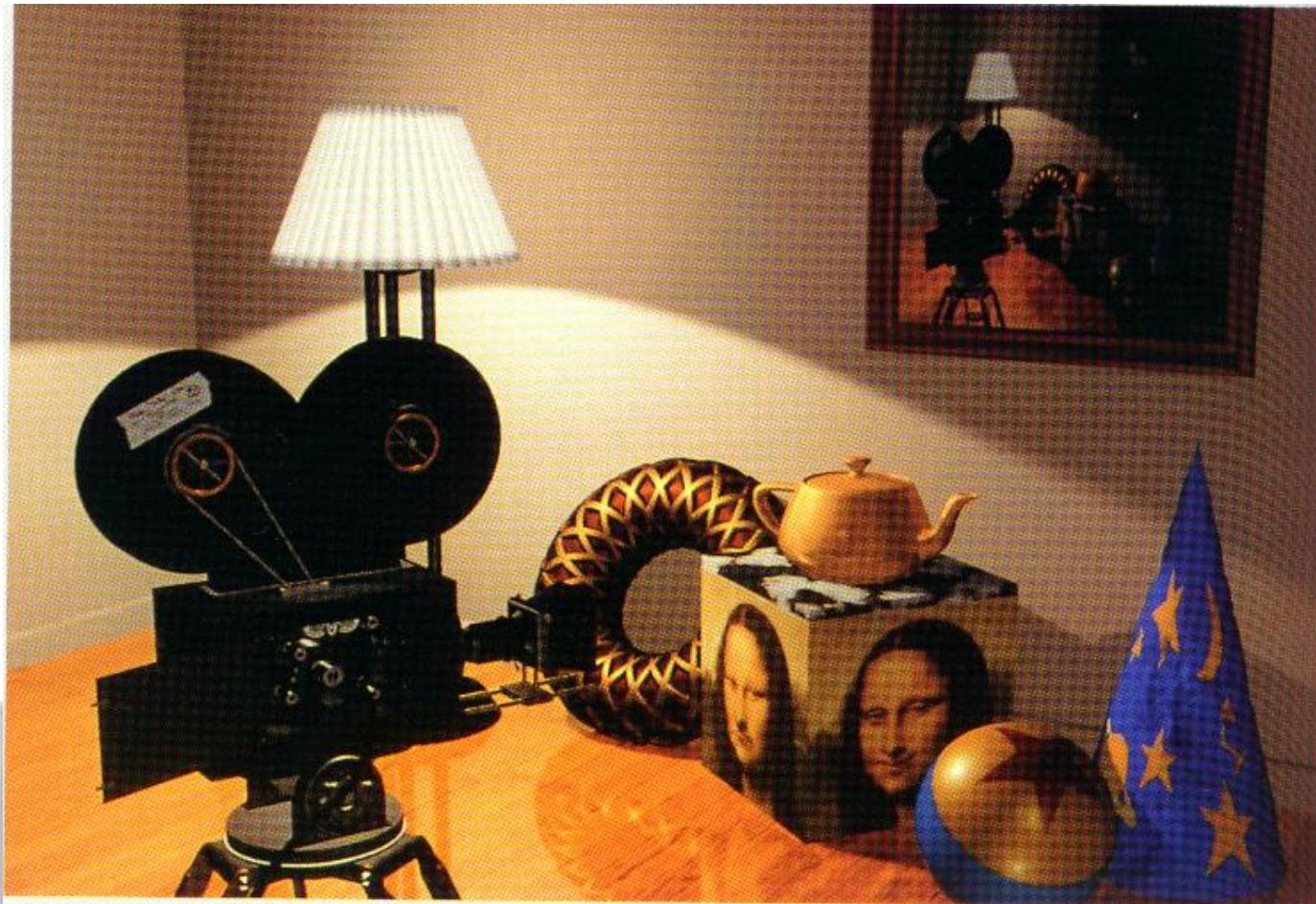
Materials



Textures



Complex Lighting Effects



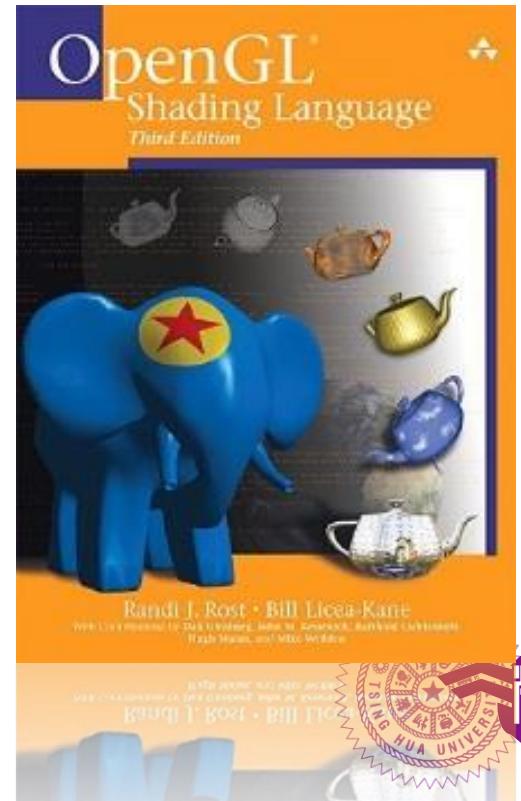
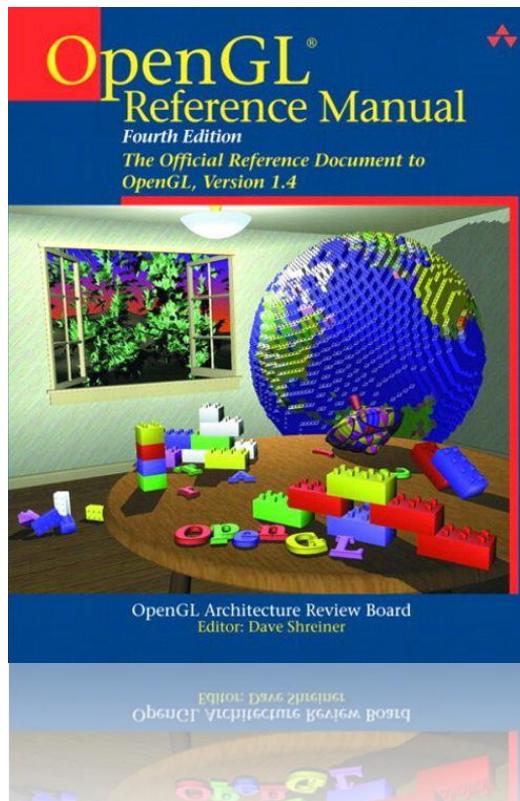
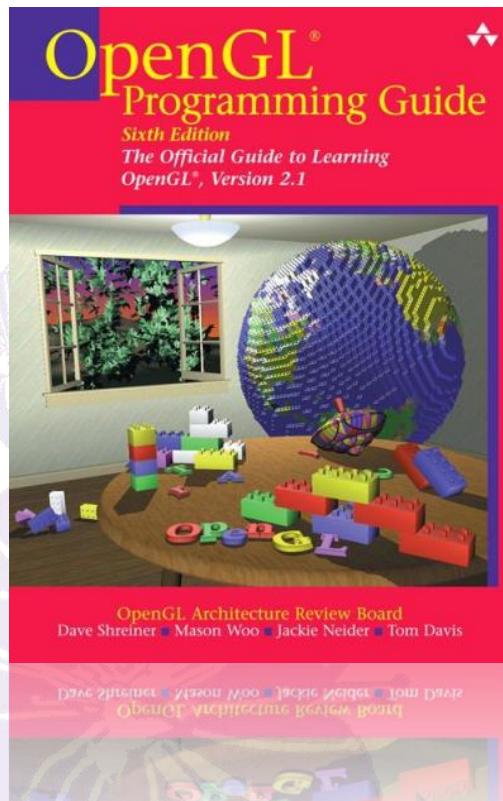
Resources

- OpenGL
 - <http://www.opengl.org>
 - <http://openglinsights.com/>
 - <https://www.khronos.org/>
 - <https://www.shadertoy.com>
- glut
 - <http://www.opengl.org/resources/libraries/glut/>
- freeglut
 - <http://freeglut.sourceforge.net/>



Reference Books

- The OpenGL Programming Guide
 - http://www.opengl.org/documentation/red_book/



thank
you!

Question

