

A4. GPK / GLSL assignment  
→ make small changes → debug with colors  
→ requires ;

## 20 – picking and interaction

# Input for Interaction

```
var clickStart: MousePosition | null = null;  
var mousePosition: MousePosition | undefined = undefined;  
  
canvas.onmousedown = (ev: MouseEvent) => {}  
canvas.onmouseup = (ev: MouseEvent) => {}  
canvas.onmousemove = (ev: MouseEvent) => {}  
canvas.onmouseout = (ev: MouseEvent) => {}
```

*Touch events  
are events*

# Polling vs Asynchronous Events

↓  
some native APIs  
call functions to  
get input

↓  
callbacks → most interactive apps

= ↗  
get some input (each frame)  
→ if input "deal with it"  
→ while rendering continuously

Javascript is  
single threaded

initialize() ← setup things → constructor  
of our main object  
call "render()"  
start rAF →

render() {

do something with mouse position  
or with click  
or keyboard

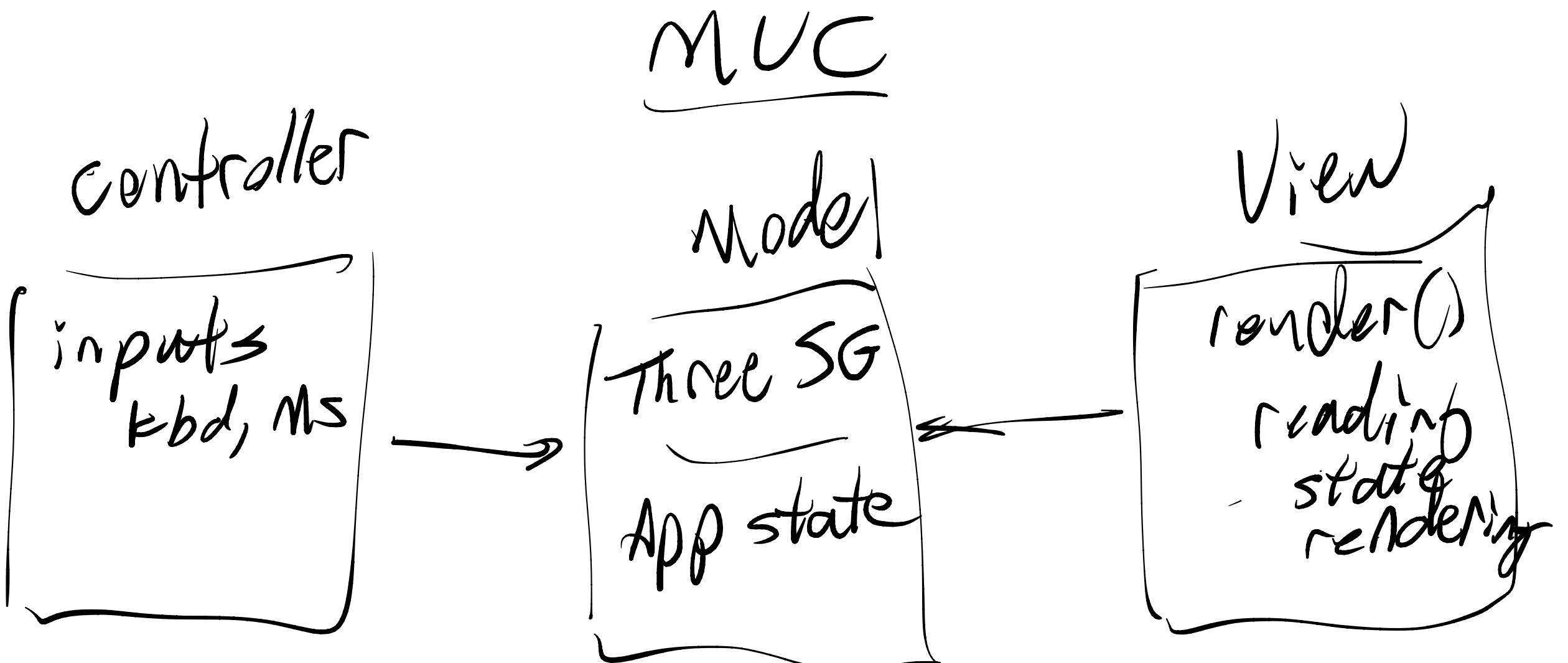
render-stuff

rAF(render) →

schedules another  
call to render

}

↳ calls on next possible render  
time



need to  
leave Model in  
consistent

← easy with Single  
threading  
in contrast Java, C++, ...

single threading in a pain

raf → triggers events

timeOut (function closure, delay in ms);

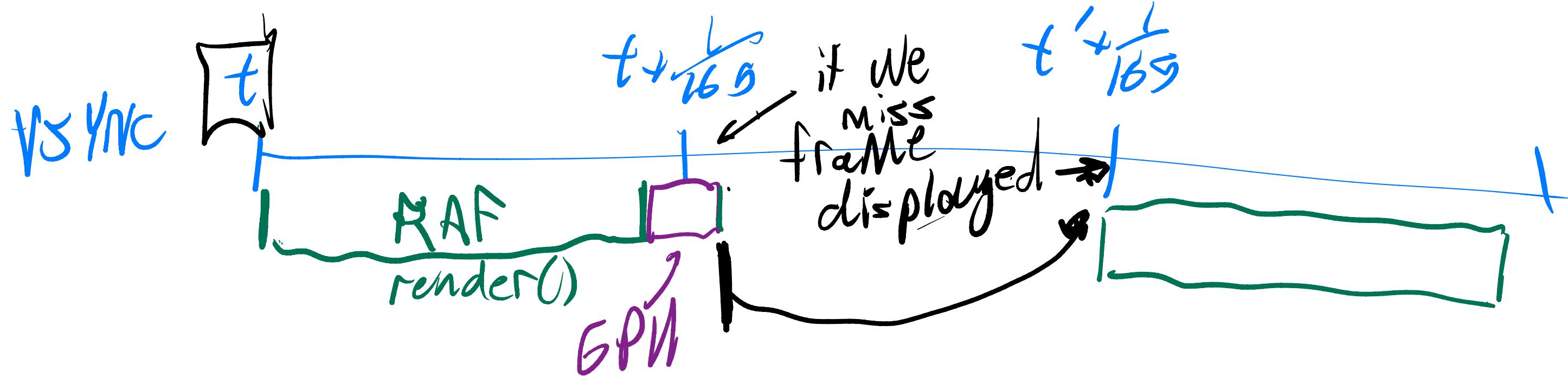
Promises

```
p = new Promise((res, rej) => {  
    do some stuff  
  
    res(result);    or    rej(error)  
}).then(res) => { console.log(res) }
```

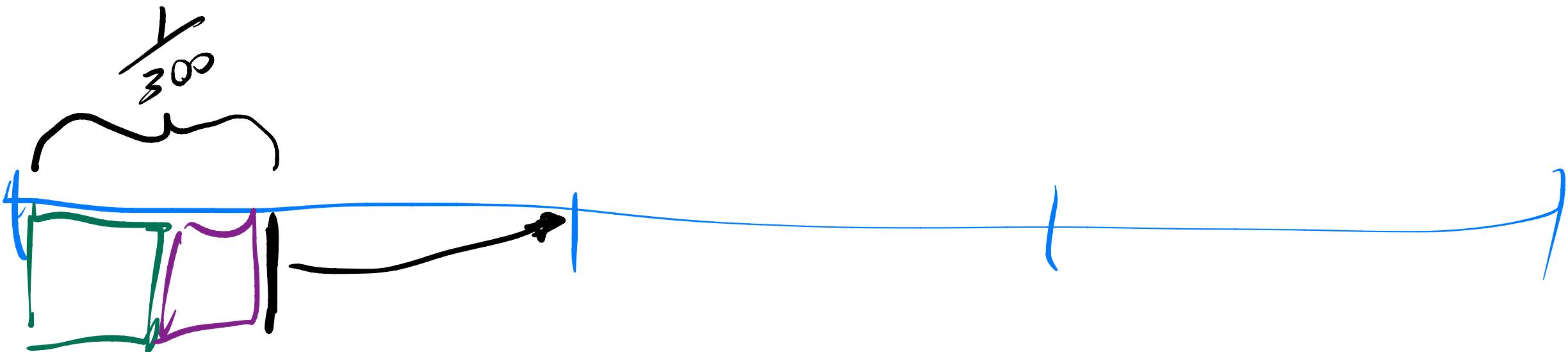
```
async function foo() {  
    r = await (p)  
}
```

let f = foo().then ( - - )

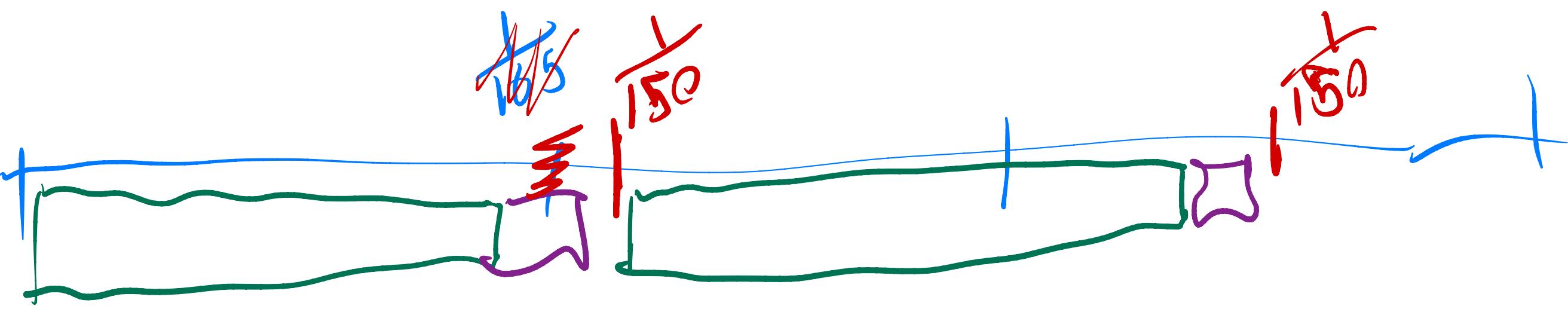
Render seq.



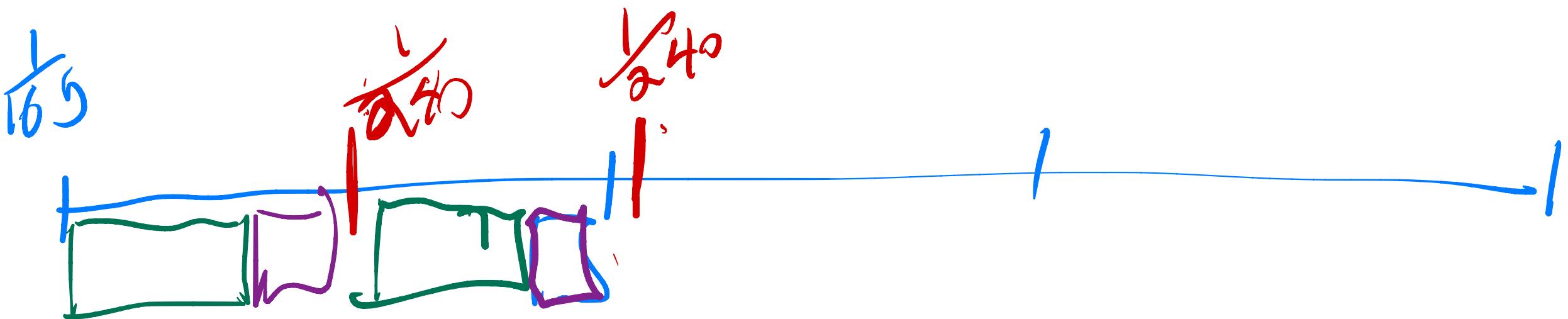
Input before  $t$   
result doesn't appear till  $\frac{2}{165}$ 's later



- Two implications
- prediction → ahead to next frame  
(can't deal with input you don't have)
  - GSync / freesync  
NVIDIA      AMD  
variable refresh



GSync / freeSync

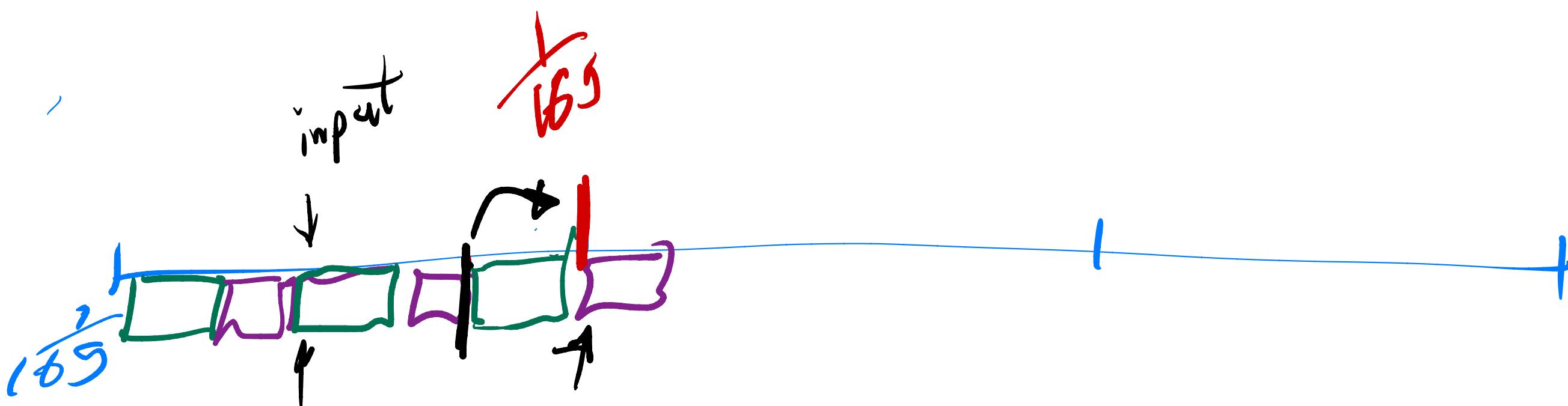


Why talking about this?

- latency of input → display
- graphics display "sometime after render finishes")

Not frame lock ← Not in JS

OpenGL → swap buffers()



# Basic Code Structure

```
render(t) {
```

update app data based

on simulation (move things, NFTs, ...)

physics / collision

```
[ render
```

```
}
```

multithreading?

web → "workers"

→ doesn't buy you much

callbacks

- kbd, mouse

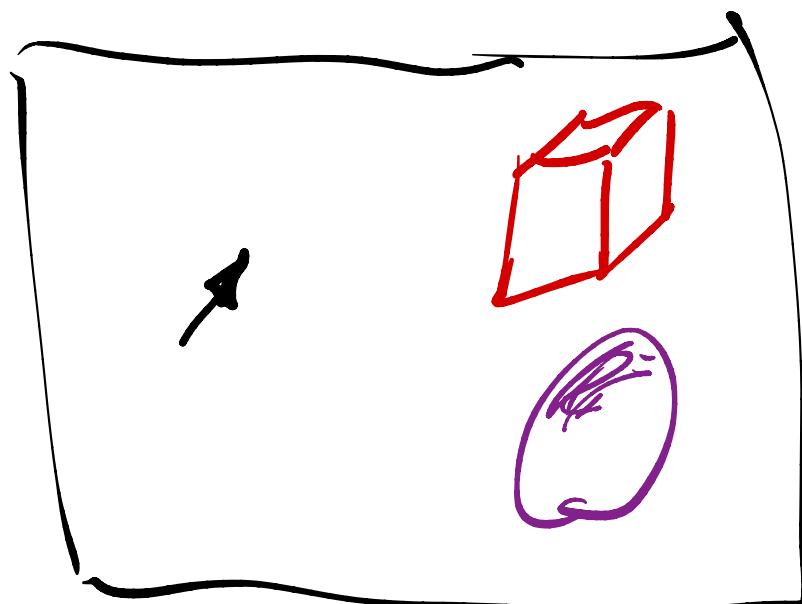
- network

↳ stuff per

frame

# How to Select

- Rays and Pixels: CPU vs GPU
- <https://threejsfundamentals.org/threejs/lessons/threejs-picking.html>



how to tell where  
I am clicking?

## Ray-based (CPU)

- create a Ray
  - utility on projection camera to create ray through
- intersect Ray w/ all objects

## Pixel-based (GPU)

- zoom camera into 1 pixel and see what actually appears

# Pixel Based

[http://voxelent.com/html/beginners-guide/chapter\\_8/ch8\\_Picking.html](http://voxelent.com/html/beginners-guide/chapter_8/ch8_Picking.html)

[http://learnwebgl.brown37.net/11\\_advanced\\_rendering/selecting\\_objects.html](http://learnwebgl.brown37.net/11_advanced_rendering/selecting_objects.html)

<https://www.sixhat.net/webgl-3d-picking-p5js-color-buffer.html>

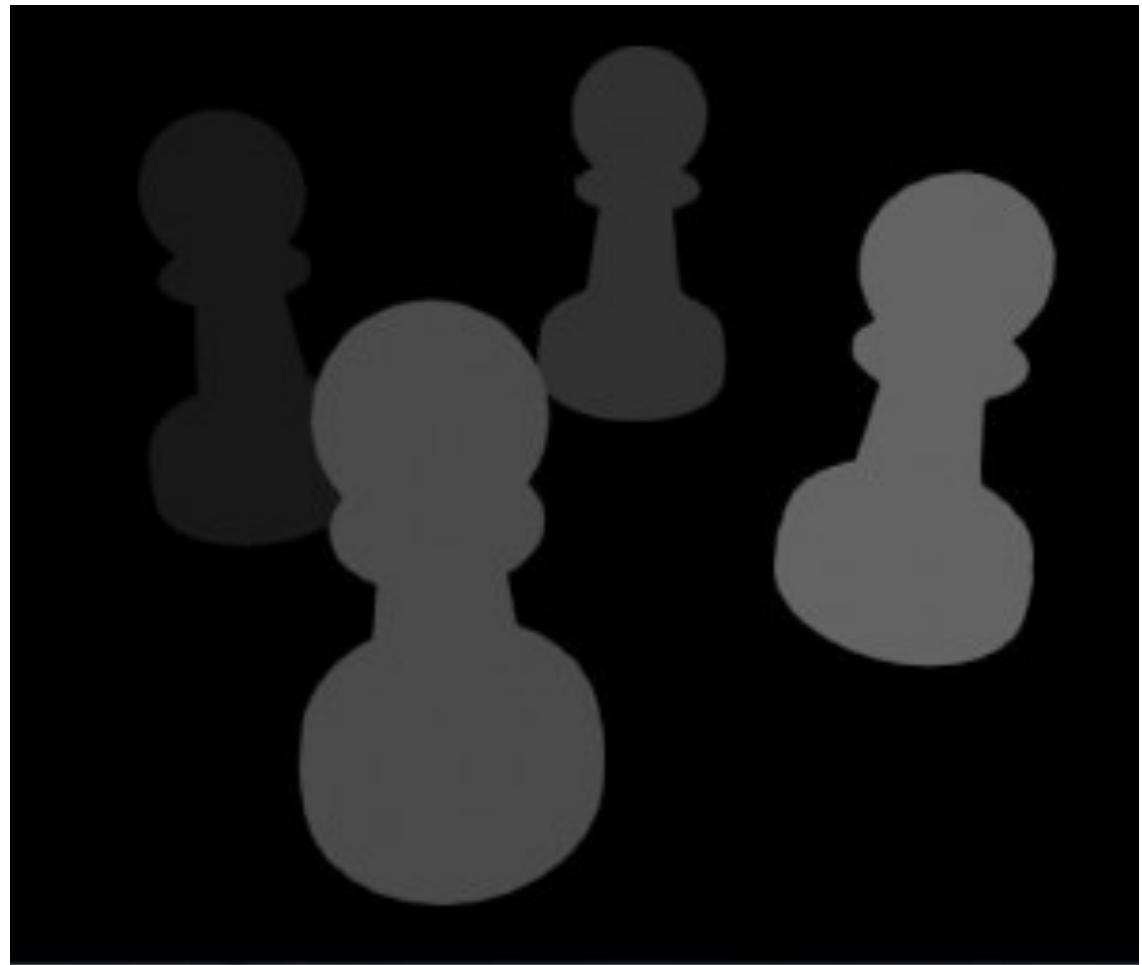
<https://bl.ocks.org/duhaime/1eafa293e7ce16b074a6d55cac67badc>

- deals with transparency
- deals with shaders
- vertex shaders move geom!

4 objects ↓



assign diff color to each  
(constant)



# Pixel-based picking: three.js

```
pickingTexture = new THREE.WebGLRenderTarget(w, h),  
canvas.addEventListener('mousemove', function(e) {  
    renderer.render(pickingScene, camera, pickingTexture);  
  
    var pixelBuffer = new Uint8Array(4);  
    renderer.readRenderTargetPixels( pickingTexture, e.clientX,  
                                    pickingTexture.height - e.clientY, 1, 1, pixelBuffer );  
  
    var id = (pixelBuffer[0]<<16)|(pixelBuffer[1]<<8)|(pixelBuffer[2]);  
}  
// better: make target 1,1 and use setViewOffset
```

# Raycasting: three.js

```
raycaster = new THREE.Raycaster();
```

```
raycaster.setFromCamera(normalizedScreenPosition, camera);
```

```
intersectedObjects = raycaster.intersectObjects(scene.children);
```

-1...1 x, y  
↑  
perspective

↳ array of hit objects

↳ object

face

u/v within

face

3D position

# Basic Code Structure

# State Machines

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