



WebRender in the age of Vulkan

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Texture updates

GPU Cache updates

WebRender (today)



Render Task submit

Same thread!

Render thread: WebRender

- Receive serialized frame data
- Update textures
- Update GPU cache rows
- Upload frame global data
- Bind render pass 1..N
 - a. Bind layer 1..M
 - i. Draw batch 1..K



Render thread: OpenGL driver

Manage Staging Memory Manage GPU targets

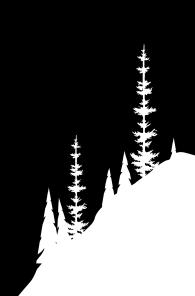
Manage resource lifetimes

Match vertex buffers, render targets, blend modes, and shaders together...



GL Driver:



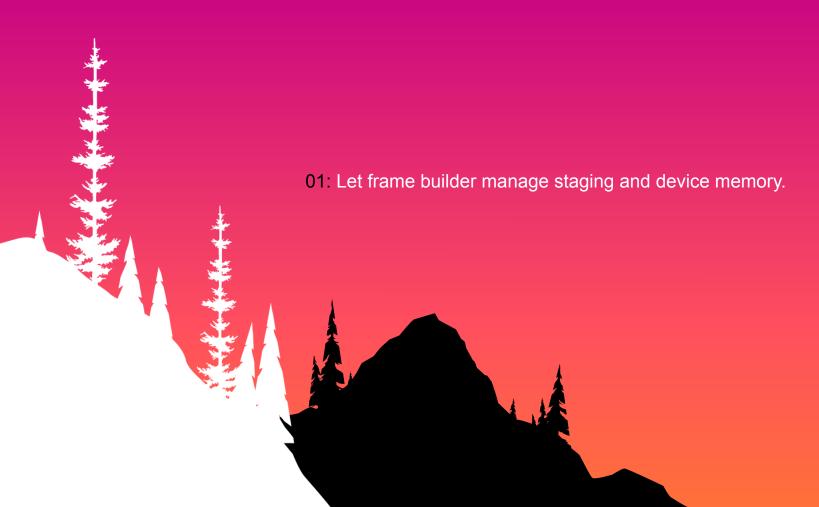


Meet Vulkan

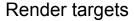
Low level graphics and compute API designed for multi-threading and minimal CPU overhead.







Frame & Scene builders



Color1

Alpha2

Alpha3

Staging memory

RGBA8 | RGBA8 | RBGA8 | A8 | F32 | F32

Instance data

Rectangle 1 | Image 2 | Gradient 3

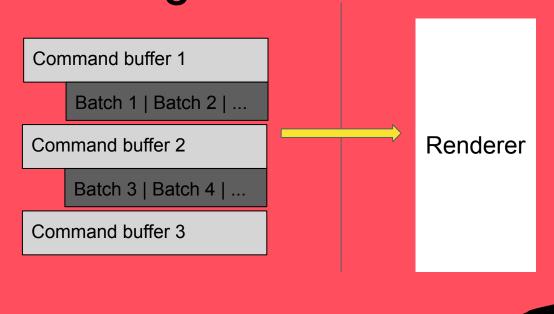
Metadata

Primitive 1	Render task 3
Primitive 2	Render task 4

Renderer

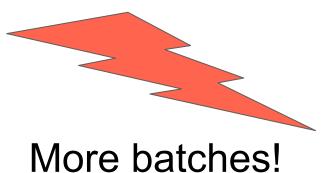


o2: Record commands at frame building.

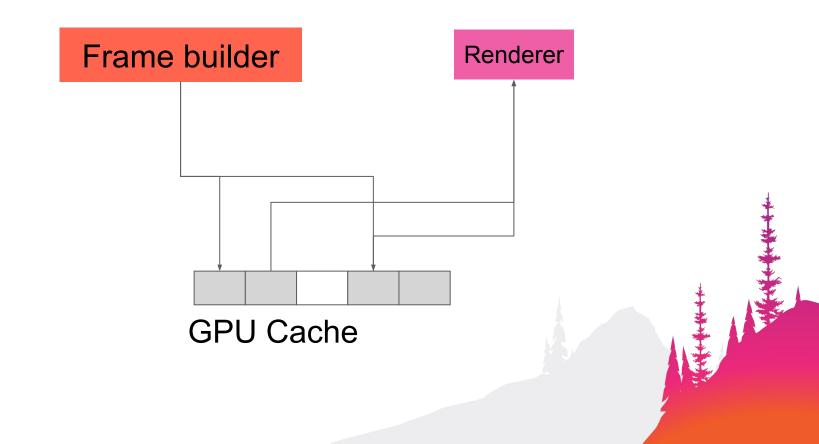


92-108	→ alpha batches
92-92	>B_Image
93-93	>B_Image
94-94	>B_Image
95-95	>B_Image
96-96	>B_Blend
97-97	>▶ B_Image
98-98	> TextRun
99-99	>B_Solid
100-100	>B_LinearGradient
101-101	>B_Solid
102-102	>B_Image
103-103	>B_Solid
104-104	> TextRun
105-105	>B_Blend
106-106	>B_Image

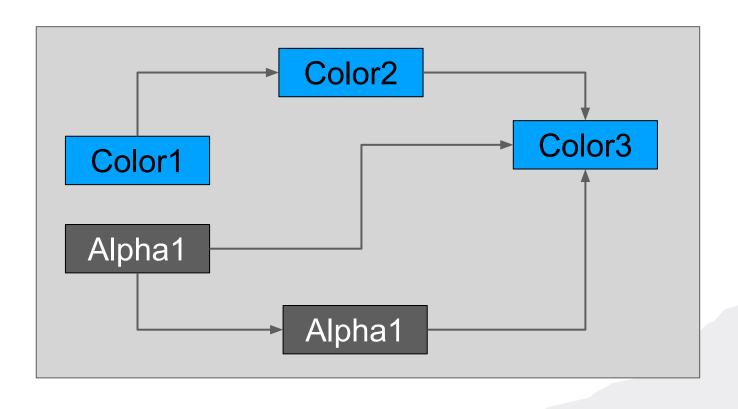
Batch breaks?..



03: Persistently-mapped GPU cache.



04: Über render pass.







Frame builder:

```
manage_memory()
build batches()
```

Render thread:

```
manage_memory()
prepare_objects()
record_commands()
submit()
```

WebRender (today)





Frame builder:

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manage_memory()
prepare_objects()
record_commands()
```

WebRender (future)

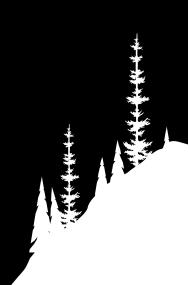


Render thread:

submit()

Vulkan Driver:





Thank you!

