

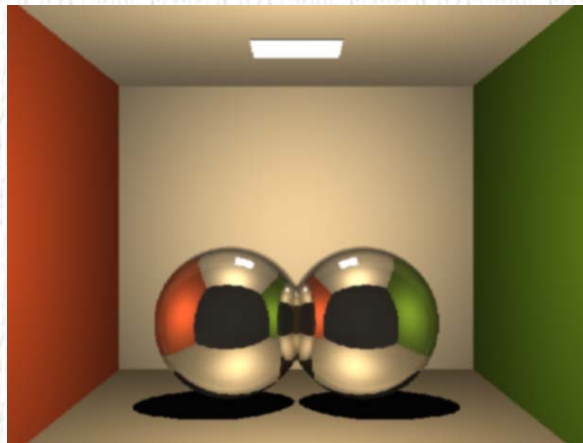
Lab 3

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Introduction

- Vertex Attributes
- Vertex Buffer Objects
- Vertex Array Objects
- Primitive Types

Vertex Attributes

A shader expects a list of vertex data

Order of vertices is important

Example (triangle from lab1):

Vertex1: -1.0f, -1.0f, 0.0f

Vertex2: 1.0f, -1.0f, 0.0f

Vertex3: 0.0f, 1.0f, 0.0f

The vertex shader processes these in the order given (first v1, then v2, then v3)

Create a float buffer (v1, v2, v3)

Vertex Data

// counter-clockwise order

glm::vec3 v1(-1.0f, -1.0f, 0.0f); // bottom left

glm::vec3 v2(1.0f, -1.0f, 0.0f); // bottom right

glm::vec3 v3(0.0f, 1.0f, 0.0f); // top

std::vector<glm::vec3> triangle_data;

triangle_data.push_back(v1);

triangle_data.push_back(v2);

triangle_data.push_back(v3);

Vertex Data

Or create a struct:

```
struct VertexStruct {  
    glm::vec3 position;  
    glm::vec4 material_color  
    glm::vec3 normal;  
    glm::vec2 texcoords;  
    // etc.  
};
```


Vertex Array Objects

- All that is needed to pass vertex data to GPU
- Only point to the buffers that store vertex attributes

Creating VAO example:

```
// Generate a VAO to point to buffer objects
glGenVertexArrays(1, &vao_triangle);
// Set the VAO active
glBindVertexArray(vao_triangle);
// store data in buffer objects (VBO) (shown below)
.
.
// enable each vertex attribute in the VAO
glEnableVertexAttribArray(0);
glEnableVertexAttribArray(1);
// etc.
```

Vertex Array Objects

Using VAO example:

// Set the shader active

glUseProgram(bgs_program_id);

// Pass uniform parameters

glUniformMatrix4fv(bgs_uniform_mvp, 1, false,
&mvp_matrix[0][0]);

// Bind the vertex array objects

glBindVertexArray(vao_quads);

// Draw!!

glDrawArrays(GL_POINTS, 0,
vao_quads_num_of_indices);

Vertex Buffer Objects

- VBOs store the vertex attribute data

Create VBO example:

```
GLuint vbo = 0;  
// Generate a buffer object which holds the vertex data  
glGenBuffers(1, &vbo);  
// Bind the newly generated buffer object  
glBindBuffer(GL_ARRAY_BUFFER, vbo);  
// Pass the data  
glBufferData(GL_ARRAY_BUFFER, total_size, &data[0], GL_STATIC_DRAW);  
// Tell the VAO how the vertex data will be accessed  
glVertexAttribPointer((GLuint)0, 3, GL_FLOAT, GL_FALSE,  
sizeof(VertexData), (GLvoid*)(offset));  
glVertexAttribPointer((GLuint)1, 4, GL_FLOAT, GL_FALSE,  
sizeof(VertexData), (GLvoid*)(3 * sizeof(GLfloat)));
```


Vertex Buffer Objects

- VBOs also store index buffers

Example:

```
GLuint vbo_quad_index = 0;  
// Generate a buffer object which holds the vertex data  
glGenBuffers(1, &vbo_quad_index);  
// Bind the newly generated buffer object  
glBindBuffer(GL_ELEMENT_ARRAY_BUFFER,  
vbo_quad_index);  
// pass the data of the index buffer to the GPU as a  
sequence of bytes  
glBufferData(GL_ELEMENT_ARRAY_BUFFER,  
total_index_size, &quad_index[0], GL_STATIC_DRAW);
```

Primitives

OpenGL assembles vertices into basic primitives

Three basic types:

- Points
- Lines
- Triangles

The most basic draw functions are `glDrawArrays` and `glDrawElements`

Primitives

Point Primitives

Example:

```
glDrawArrays(GL_POINTS, 0, num_indices);
```



Primitives

Line Primitives (lines and line strips)

Example:

```
glDrawArrays(GL_LINES, 0, num_indices);
```

```
glDrawArrays(GL_LINE_STRIP, 0, num_indices);
```



Primitives

Triangle Primitives (triangles, strips and fans)

Example:

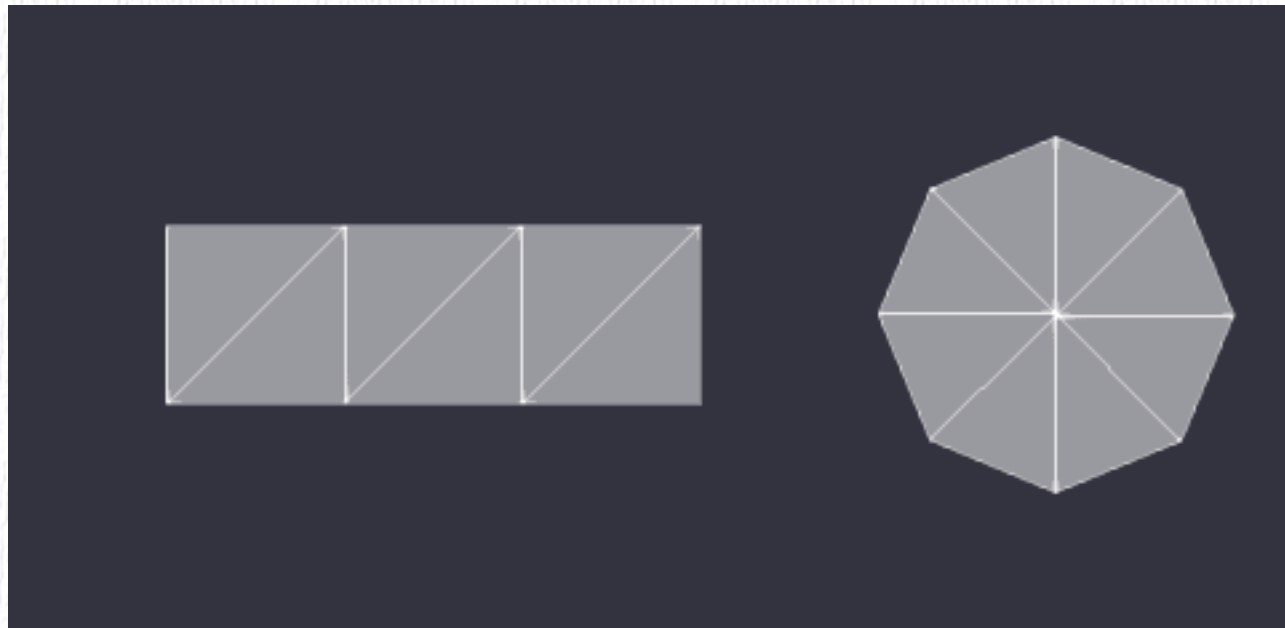
```
glDrawArrays(GL_TRIANGLES, 0, num_indices);
```

```
glDrawArrays(GL_TRIANGLE_STRIP, 0,  
num_indices);
```

```
glDrawArrays(GL_TRIANGLE_FAN, 0,  
num_indices);
```

Primitives

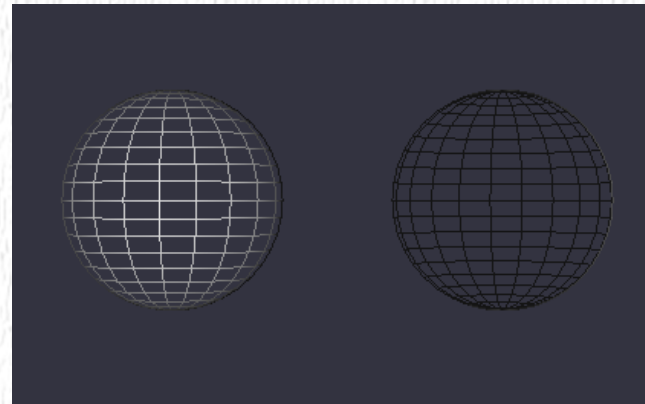
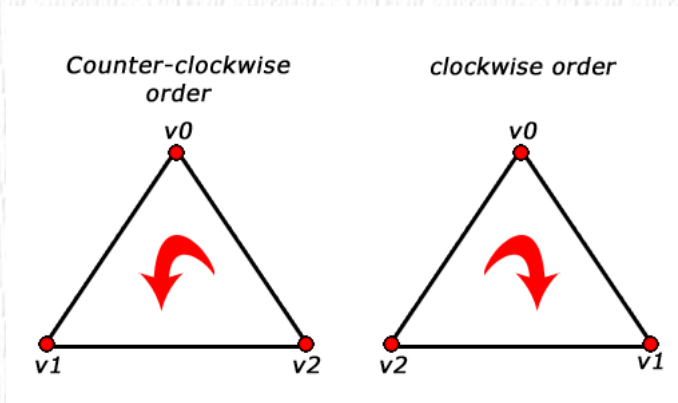
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Face Culling

- Primitives can be culled depending on the order of the coordinates
- Use:

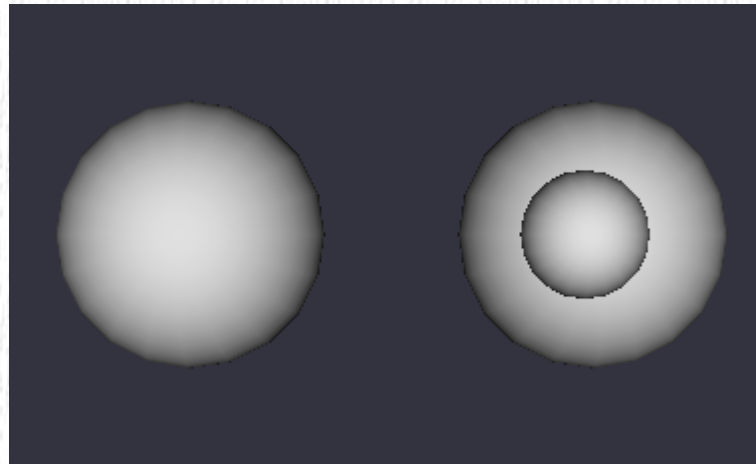
```
glEnable(GL_CULL_FACE);  
glCullFace(GL_BACK);  
glFrontFace(GL_CCW);
```



Depth Testing

- Need to make sure that objects that are nearer the camera are drawn first
- Use depth buffer and compare each fragment's depth value based on a function parameter

```
glEnable(GL_DEPTH_TEST);  
glDepthFunc(GL_LEQUAL);
```



Done!

Check lab3 project