

# Computer Graphics

## Introduction to 3D modeling

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# GPU

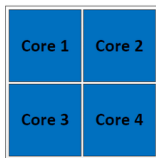
## Definition

Graphics Processing Unit (GPU) is a programmable processor specialized for rendering all images on the computer's screen [1].

# GPU

## GPU vs CPU

**CPU**  
(Multiple cores )



**GPU**

(Hundreds of cores)

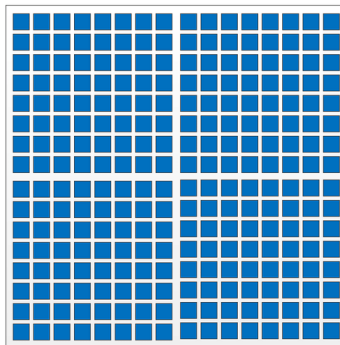


Figure: CPU vs GPU.

# GPU

## GPU vs CPU

CPU is designed to handle a wide-range of tasks quickly but are **limited in concurrency**. A GPU is designed to quickly render high-resolution images and video **concurrently**.

# GPU

## GPU vs CPU

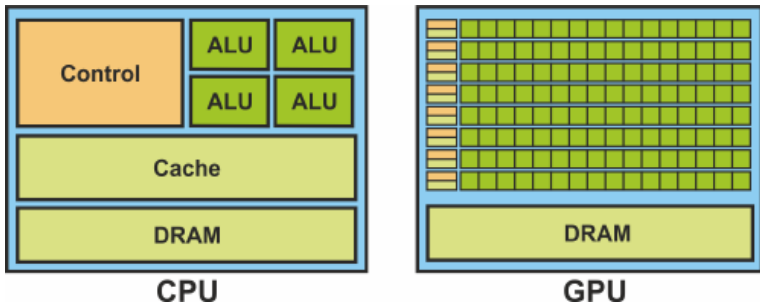


Figure: CPU vs GPU.

# GPU

## GPU vs CPU

Video



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# OpenGL

## Definition

Open Graphics Library (OpenGL) is a cross-platform Application Programming Interface (API) for modeling, rendering and animation of 2D and 3D models [2].

OpenGL is linked to a document that describes a set of functions. Each GPU builder must implement these functions [3].

By using OpenGL, a developer can use the same code to render graphics on a Mac, Windows, Linux, or mobile devices [3].

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# PyOpenGL

PyOpenGL is the most common cross platform Python binding to OpenGL and related APIs. The binding is created using the standard ctypes library.

To install PyOpenGL:

```
pip3 install PyOpenGL PyOpenGL_accelerate  
pip3 install pygame
```

# PyOpenGL

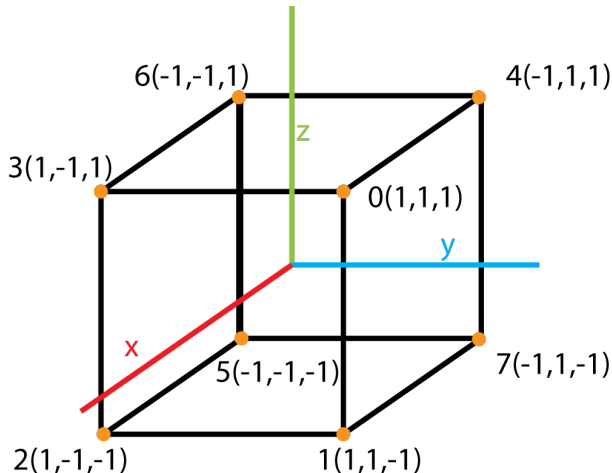
## Hello World

```
1 import pygame as pg
  from pygame.locals import *
3
  from OpenGL.GL import *
5  from OpenGL.GLU import *
7
  cubeVertices = ((1,1,1),(1,1,-1),(1,-1,-1),
                  (1,-1,1),(-1,1,1),(-1,-1,-1),
9                 (-1,-1,1),(-1,1,-1))
  cubeEdges = ((0,1),(0,3),(0,4),(1,2),
11             (1,7),(2,5),(2,3),(3,6),
              (4,6),(4,7),(5,6),(5,7))
13  cubeQuads = ((0,3,6,4),(2,5,6,3),(1,2,5,7),
              (1,0,4,7),(7,4,6,5),(2,3,0,1))
15
```

# PyOpenGL

## Hello World

```
cubeVertices = ((1,1,1),(1,1,-1),(1,-1,-1),(1,-1,1),(-1,1,1),(-1,-1,-1),(-1,-1,1),(-1,1,1))
```

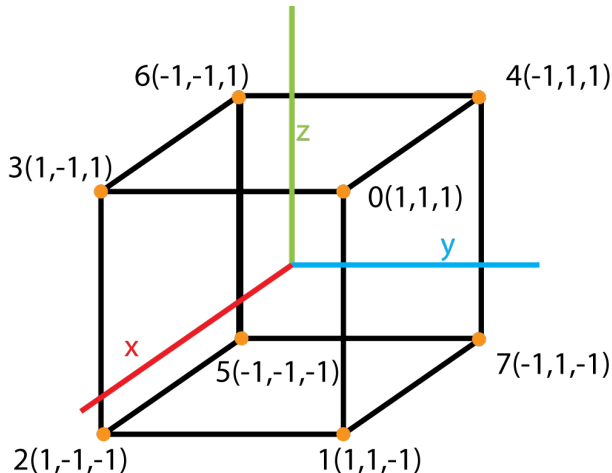


# PyOpenGL

## Hello World

cubeEdges =

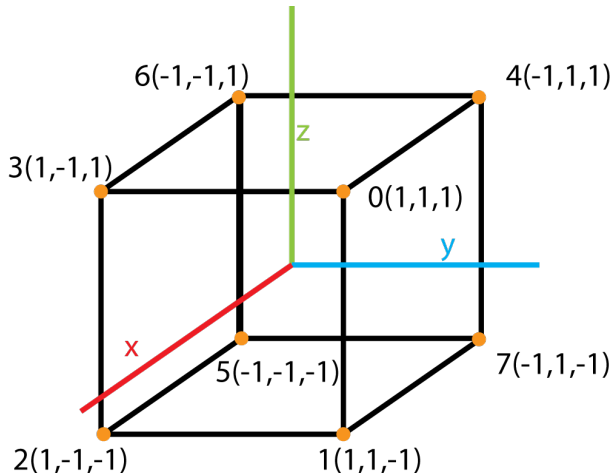
((0,1),(0,3),(0,4),(1,2),(1,7),(2,5),(2,3),(3,6),(4,6),(4,7),(5,6),(5,7))



# PyOpenGL

## Hello World

```
cubeQuads =  
((0,3,6,4),(2,5,6,3),(1,2,5,7),(1,0,4,7),(7,4,6,5),(2,3,0,1))
```





# PyOpenGL

Hello World

```
def wireCube() :  
2   glBegin(GL_LINES)  
   for cubeEdge in cubeEdges:  
4       for cubeVertex in cubeEdge:  
           glVertex3fv(cubeVertices[cubeVertex])  
6   glEnd()
```

# PyOpenGL

## Hello World

```
def main():
2   pg.init()
   display = (1680, 1050)
4   pg.display.set_mode(display, DOUBLEBUF|OPENGL)
   gluPerspective(45, (display[0]/display[1]), 0.1, 50.0)
6   glTranslatef(0.0, 0.0, -5)

8   while True:
       for event in pg.event.get():
10          if event.type == pg.QUIT:
               pg.quit()
12          quit()
               glRotatef(1, 1, 1, 1)
14          glClear(GL_COLOR_BUFFER_BIT|GL_DEPTH_BUFFER_BIT)
               wireCube()
16          pg.display.flip()
               pg.time.wait(10)
18
```

# PyOpenGL

Hello World

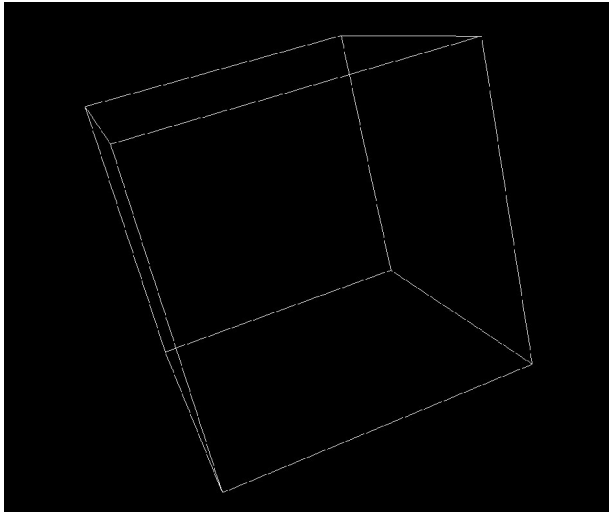


Figure: OpenGL hello world

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# VTK

## Definition

The Visualization Toolkit (VTK) is open source software for manipulating and displaying scientific data. It comes with state-of-the-art tools for 3D rendering, a suite of widgets for 3D interaction, and extensive 2D plotting capability.

# VTK

## Samples

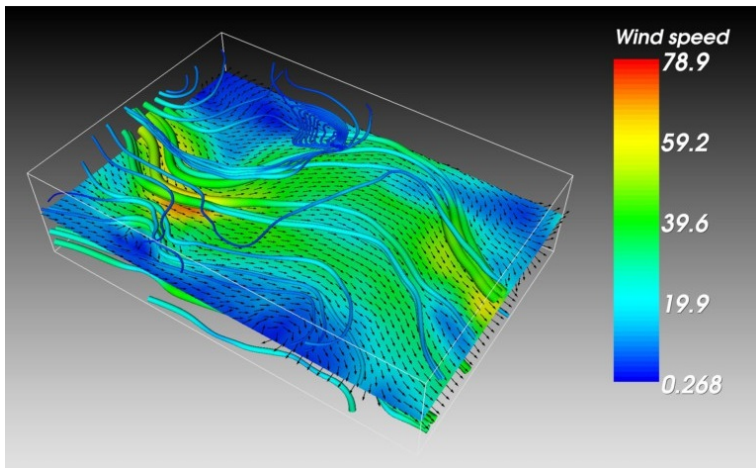


Figure: VTK wind speed sample

# VTK

## Samples

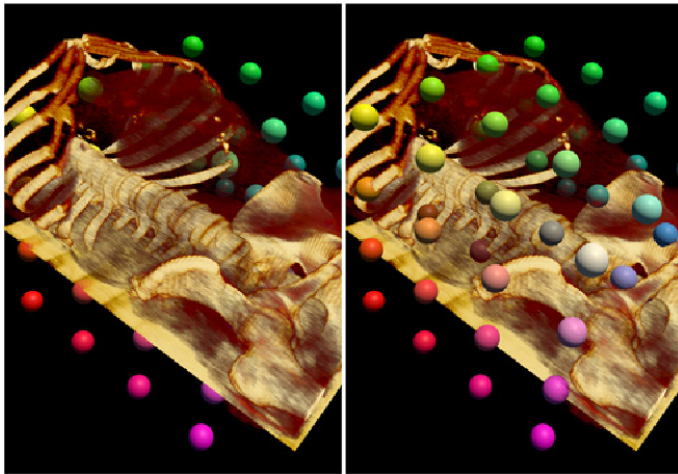


Figure: VTK in medicine.

# VTK

## Samples

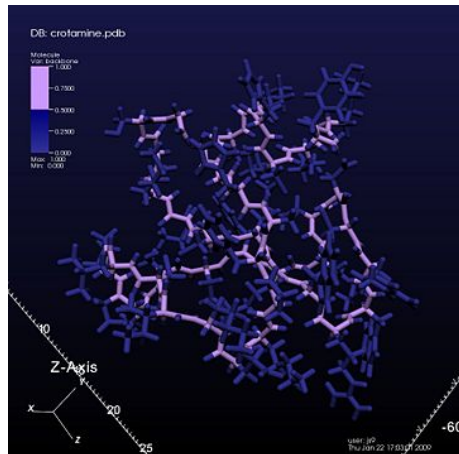


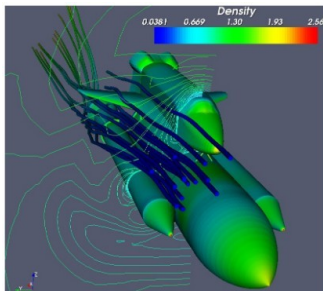
Figure: VTK for molecular visualization.



# VTK

## Limitations

VTK has decent rendering performance and is good for rapid prototyping of 3D visualization tools. Not suitable for rendering large realistic 3D scenes with lots of dynamic content (i.e., games)



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# VTK

## Pipeline

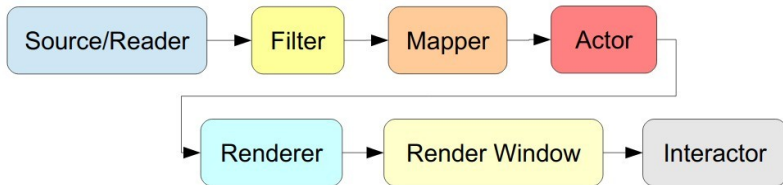
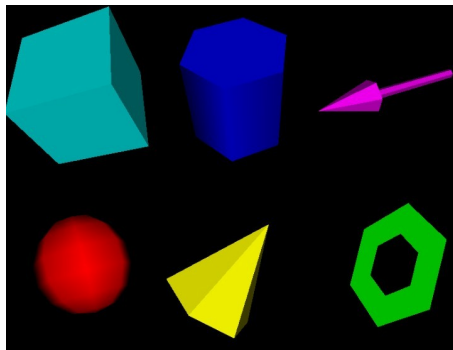


Figure: VTK pipeline.

# VTK

## Source

VTK provides various source classes that can be used to construct simple geometric objects.



**source**/reader → filter → mapper → actor → renderer →  
renderWindow → interactor

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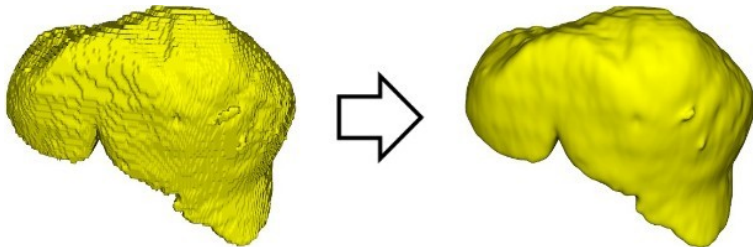
## Reader

Reads data from file. You can use, e.g., **vtkStructuredPointsReader** to read a volumetric image from a .vtk file.

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## Filters

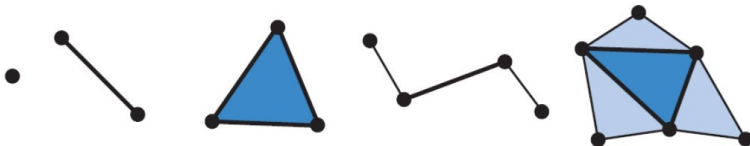


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## Mappers

Maps data to graphics primitives (points, lines, or triangles) that can be displayed by the renderer.

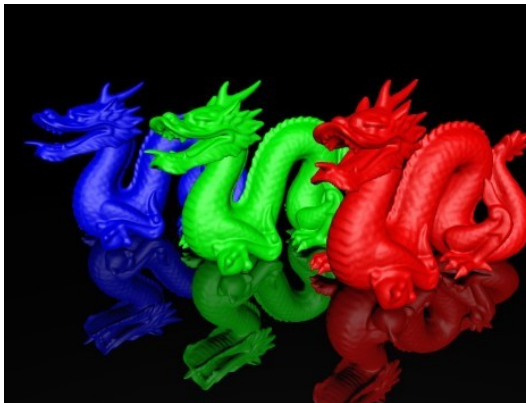


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## Actor

vtkActor represents an object.

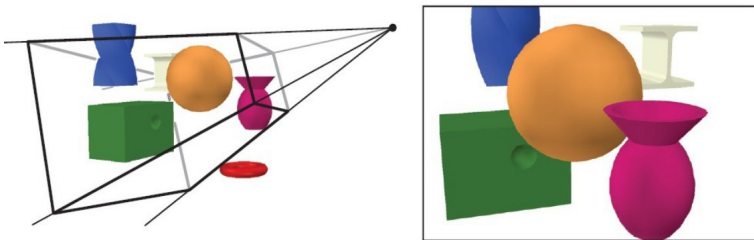


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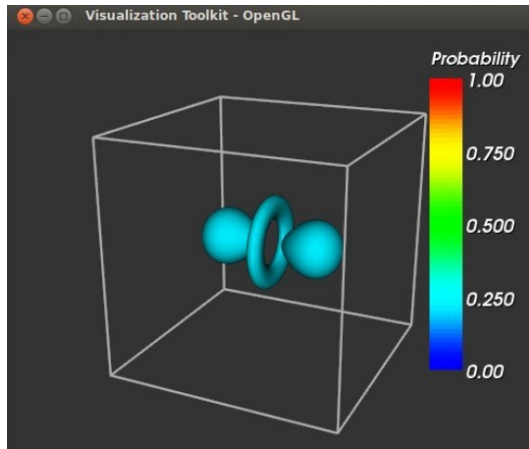
## Renderer



source/reader  $\rightarrow$  filter  $\rightarrow$  mapper  $\rightarrow$  actor  $\rightarrow$  **renderer**  $\rightarrow$   
renderWindow  $\rightarrow$  interactor

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## RenderWindow



source/reader → filter → mapper → actor → renderer →  
**renderWindow** → interactor

# VTK

## Interactor

The `vtkRenderWindowInteractor` class provides platform-independent window interaction via the mouse and keyboard

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# VTK

## Cube

to install VTK

```
pi3 install vtk
```

# VTK

## Cube

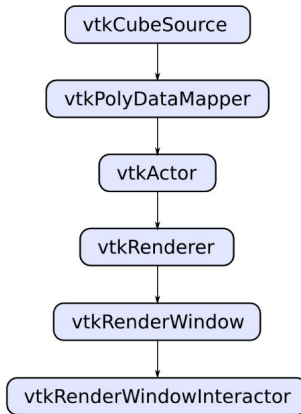


Figure: VTK pipeline.

# VTK

## Cube

```
1 import vtk
2 # source
3 cube = vtk.vtkCubeSource()
4 cube.Update()
5
6 # mapper
7 cube_mapper = vtk.vtkPolyDataMapper()
8 if vtk.VTK_MAJOR_VERSION <= 5:
9     cube_mapper.SetInput(cube.GetOutput())
10 else:
11     cube_mapper.SetInputData(cube.GetOutput())
12
13 # actor
14 cube_actor = vtk.vtkActor()
15 cube_actor.SetMapper(cube_mapper)
16 cube_actor.GetProperty().SetColor(1.0, 0.0, 0.0)
```

# VTK

## Cube

```
2 #renderer
3 renderer = vtk.vtkRenderer()
4 renderer.SetBackground(0.0, 0.0, 0.0)
5 renderer.AddActor(cube_actor)
6
7 #renderWindow
8 render_window = vtk.vtkRenderWindow()
9 render_window.SetWindowName('Simple VTK scene')
10 render_window.SetSize(400, 400)
11 render_window.AddRenderer(renderer)
12
13 #interactor
14 interactor = vtk.vtkRenderWindowInteractor()
15 interactor.SetRenderWindow(render_window)
```



# VTK

## Cube

```
2 # Initialize the interactor and  
# start the rendering loop  
interactor.Initialize()  
4 render_window.Render()  
interactor.Start()  
6
```

# VTK

## Cube

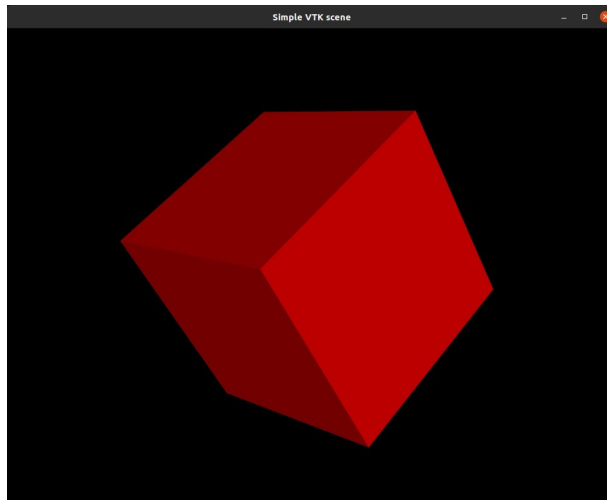


Figure: VTK cube.

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# VTK

## Cylinder

```
1 cylinder = vtk.vtkCylinderSource()  
  cylinder.SetRadius(20)  
3 cylinder.SetHeight(50)  
  cylinder.SetResolution(10)  
5 cylinder.Update()  
  
7 mapper = vtk.vtkPolyDataMapper()  
  mapper.SetInputData(cylinder.GetOutput())  
9  
  actor = vtk.vtkActor()  
11 actor.SetMapper(cube_mapper)  
  actor.GetProperty().SetColor(0.0, 1.0, 0.0)  
13 actor.RotateX(30.0)
```

# VTK

## Cylinder

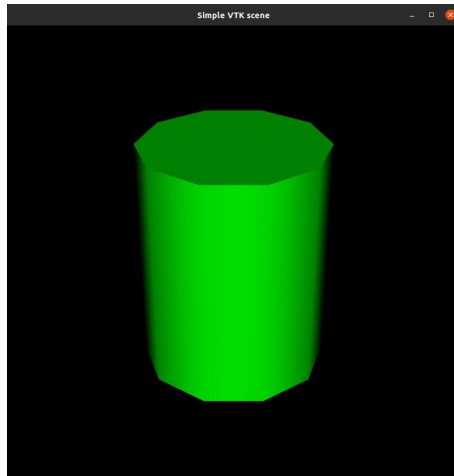


Figure: VTK cylinder.

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# VTK

## Axes

```
1 cylinder = vtk.vtkCylinderSource()  
  cylinder.SetRadius(0.2)  
3 cylinder.SetHeight(0.5)  
  cylinder.SetResolution(10)  
5 cylinder.Update()  
  
7 mapper = vtk.vtkPolyDataMapper()  
  mapper.SetInputData(cylinder.GetOutput())  
9  
  actor = vtk.vtkActor()  
11 actor.SetMapper(mapper)  
  actor.GetProperty().SetColor(0.0, 1.0, 0.0)  
13
```

# VTK

## Axes

```
#axes
2 transform = vtk.vtkTransform()
  transform.Translate(0.0, 0.0, 0.0)
4 axes = vtk.vtkAxesActor()
  axes.SetUserTransform(transform)
6
#renderer
8 renderer = vtk.vtkRenderer()
  renderer.SetBackground(0.0, 0.0, 0.0)
10 renderer.AddActor(actor)
  renderer.AddActor(axes)
12
```



# VTK

## Axes

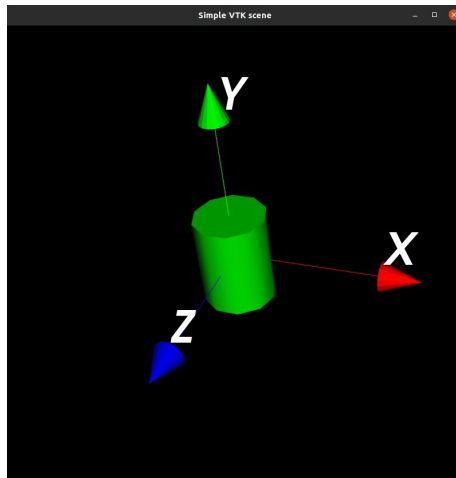


Figure: VTK axes.

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# VTK

## Camera

```
1 #camera
   camera = vtk.vtkCamera()
3 camera.SetFocalPoint(0,0,0)
   camera.SetPosition(10,10,10)
5
   #renderer
7 renderer = vtk.vtkRenderer()
   renderer.SetBackground(0.0, 0.0, 0.0)
9 renderer.AddActor(actor)
   renderer.AddActor(axes)
11 renderer.SetActiveCamera(camera)
```

# VTK

## Camera

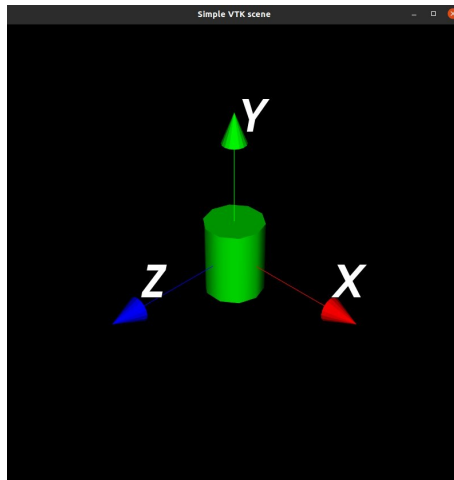


Figure: VTK camera.

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## Exercise

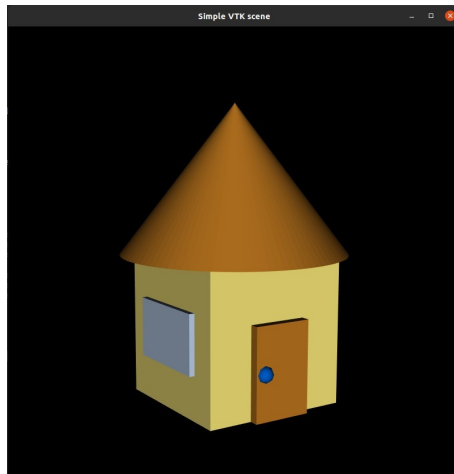





Figure: VTK exercise.

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# Questions?

