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Supplementary Tutorial
on OpenGL

OpenGL Hints

Vertex Normal vs Face Normal

Per-vertex normal: each vertex of a face has a different normal
(for a sphere it means all normals point outward from its center)

```
glBegin(GL_TRIANGLES);  
    glNormal3f(0.0f, 0.0f, 0.0f);  
    glVertex3f(0.0f, 0.0f, 0.0f);  
    glNormal3f(0.0f, 1.0f, 0.0f);  
    glVertex3f(0.0f, 1.0f, 0.0f);  
    glNormal3f(1.0f, 0.0f, 0.0f);  
    glVertex3f(1.0f, 0.0f, 0.0f);  
  
    glNormal3f(0.0f, 1.0f, 0.0f);  
    glVertex3f(0.0f, 1.0f, 0.0f);  
    glNormal3f(1.0f, 1.0f, 0.0f);  
    glVertex3f(1.0f, 1.0f, 0.0f);  
    glNormal3f(1.0f, 0.0f, 0.0f);  
    glVertex3f(1.0f, 0.0f, 0.0f);  
glEnd();
```



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Per-face normal: each vertex gets the same normal value

```
glBegin(GL_TRIANGLES);  
    glNormal3f(0.0f, 0.0f, 1.0f);  
    glVertex3f(0.0f, 0.0f, 0.0f);  
    glVertex3f(0.0f, 1.0f, 0.0f);  
    glVertex3f(1.0f, 0.0f, 0.0f);  
  
    glNormal3f(0.0f, 1.0f, 0.0f);  
    glVertex3f(0.0f, 1.0f, 0.0f);  
    glVertex3f(1.0f, 1.0f, 0.0f);  
    glVertex3f(1.0f, 0.0f, 0.0f);  
glEnd();
```



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Which one is correct?

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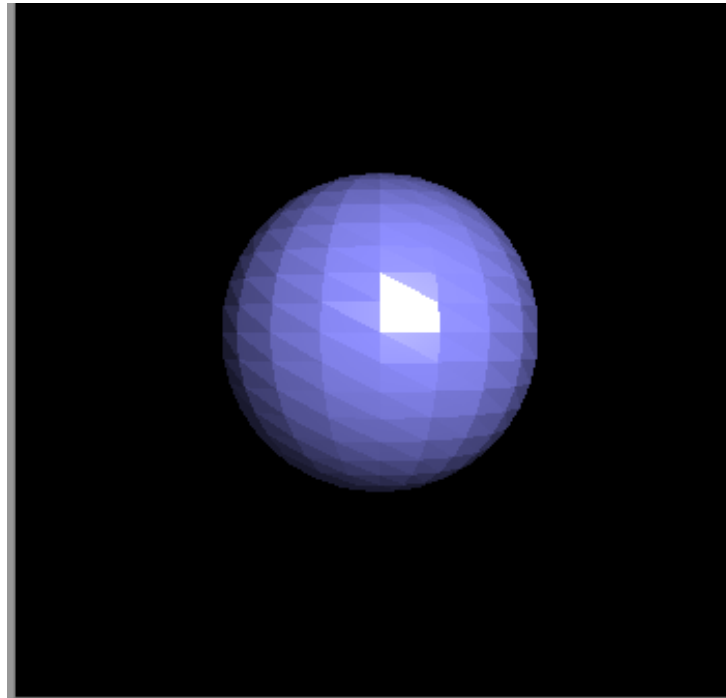
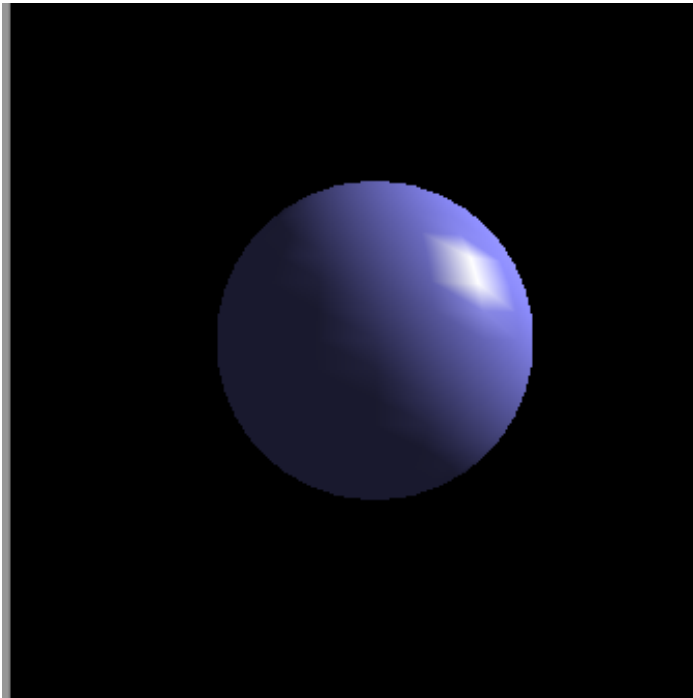
Which one is correct?

It depends!

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Try Cube by yourself

