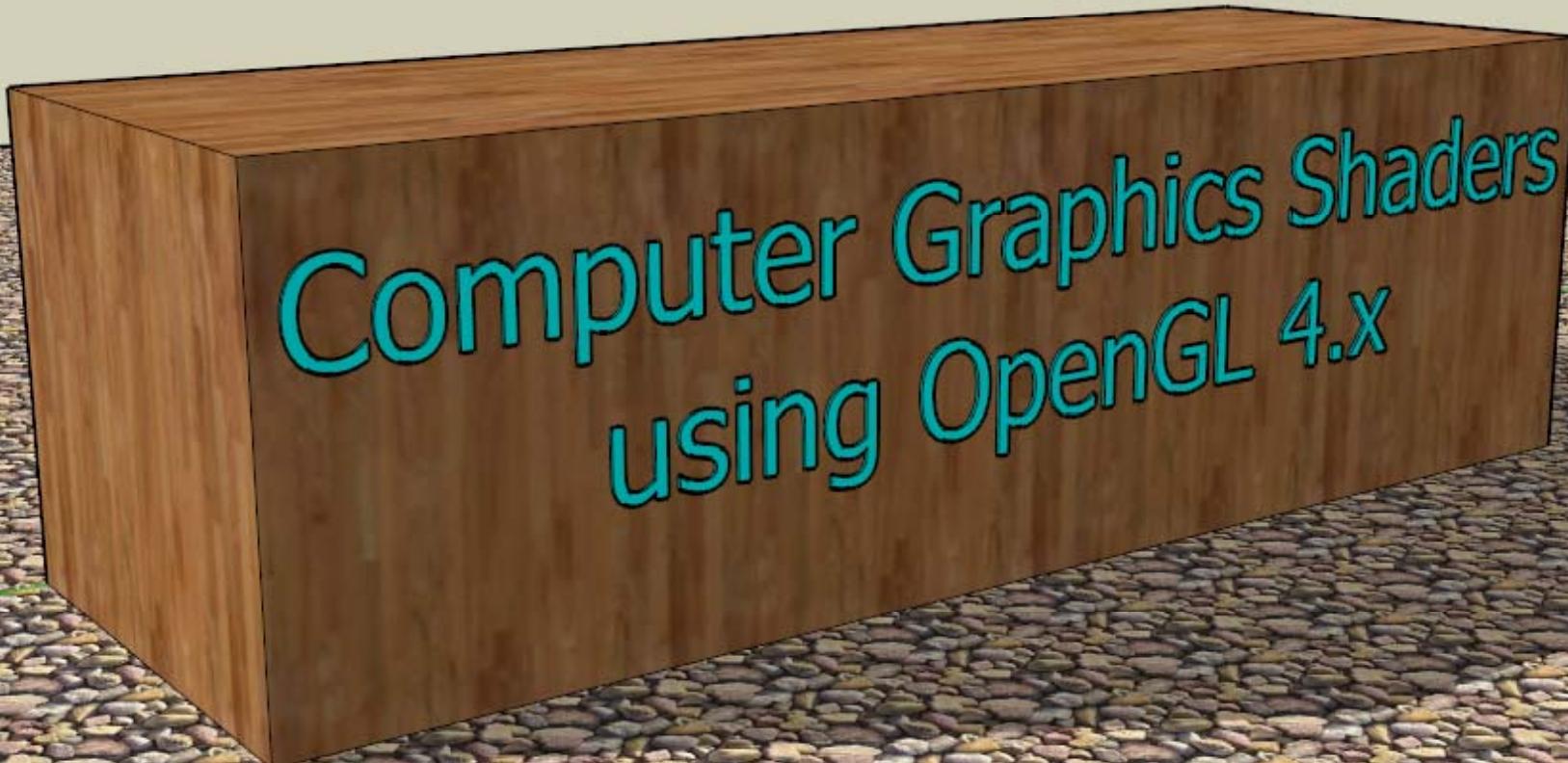


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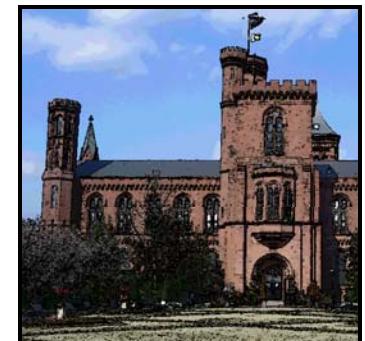
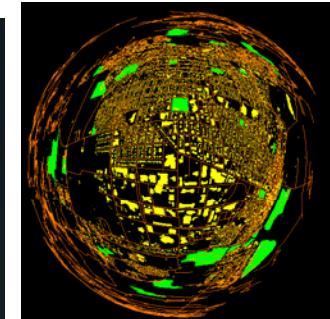
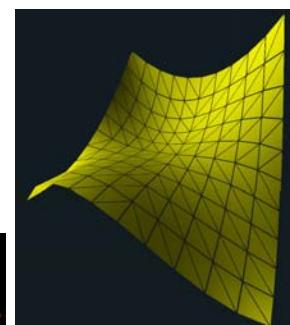
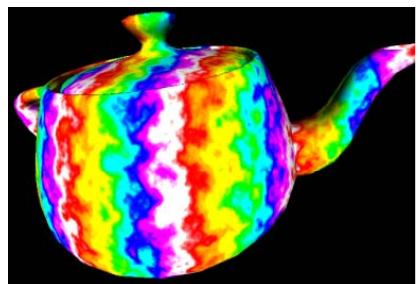
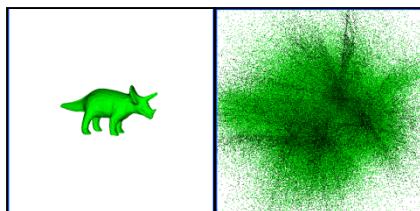
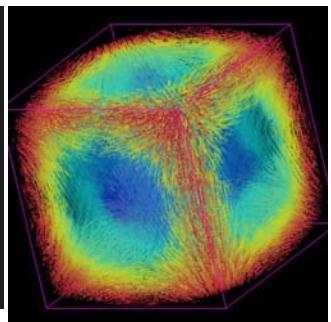
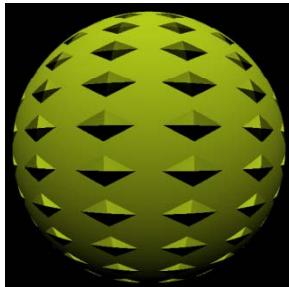


**Computer Graphics Shaders
using OpenGL 4.x**

A 3D rendering of a large, rectangular wooden bookshelf or planter box. On its front face, the title "Computer Graphics Shaders" is written in a large, light blue font, and "using OpenGL 4.x" is written below it in a slightly smaller, matching font. The wood has a visible grain and a warm brown color. The object sits on a ground surface made of small, irregular stones.

Why Do We Care About Graphics Shaders?

1. You can get effects that are difficult or impossible to get any other way



2. You can get innovative data displays

3. You get a much better understanding of the graphics pipeline

4. The fixed-function pipeline has gone away in OpenGL ES 2.0 and has been deprecated in OpenGL 3.0

Start with Some Terminology

Fragment – a “pixel-to-be”: all of the information about that pixel is available, but the pixel’s color has not yet been determined

Fragment Processor – the part of the graphics pipeline that takes all of the information about a fragment and determines what color to paint there

Fragment Shader – the code you can write to determine the color to paint at a particular fragment

Geometry Shader – the code that you can write to convert or expand one form of geometry into another

GLSL – the OpenGL Shading Language

OpenGL – a multi-vendor, multi-platform, multi-operating system graphics API

Tessellation Shader – the code that you can write to convert coarse geometry into much finer geometry

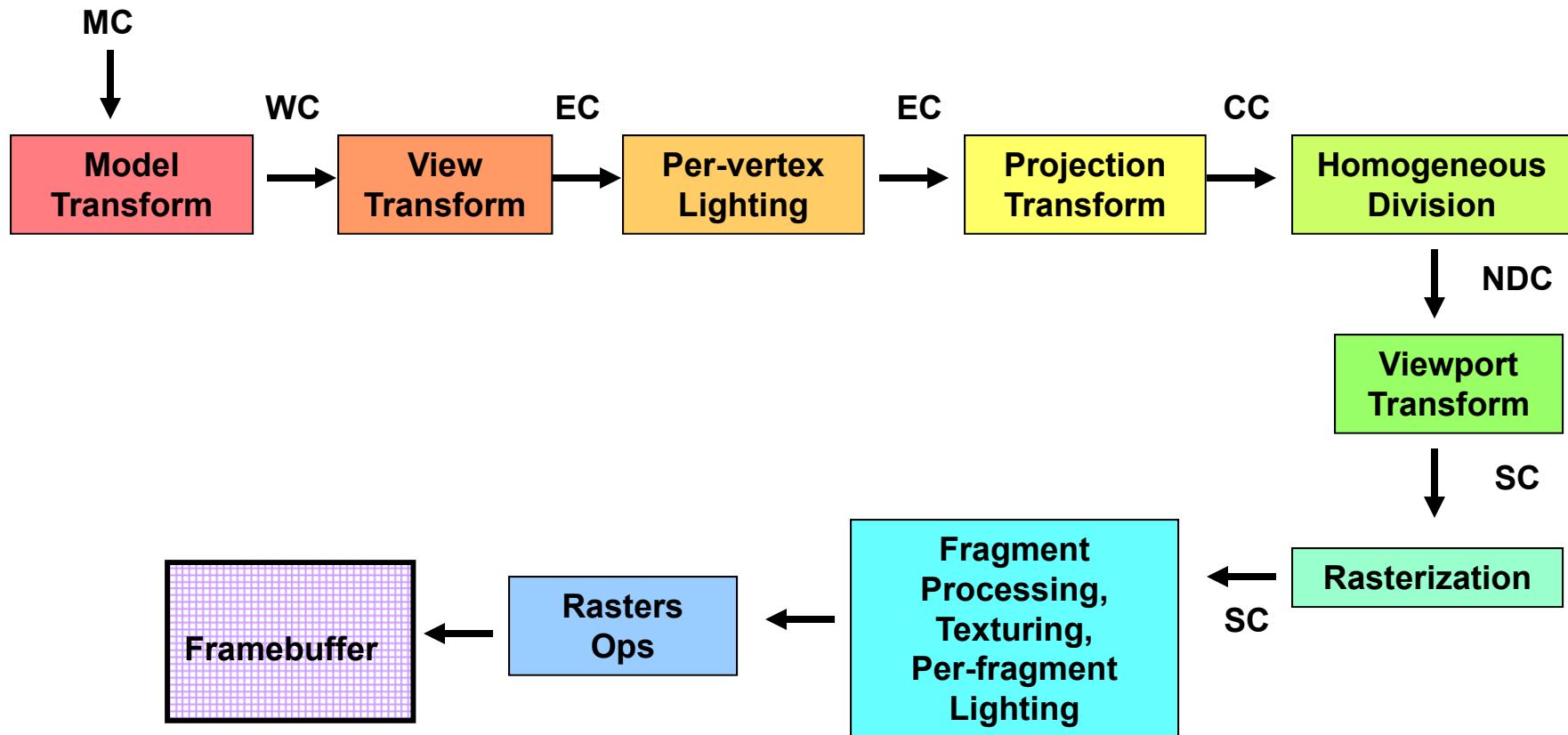
Texture – an image (read or computed) to be attached to a piece of geometry

Vertex Processor – the part of the graphics pipeline that handles vertices, from model coordinates to clipped screen space coordinates

Vertex Shader – the code that you can write to perform the transformations of the vertices and set auxiliary values

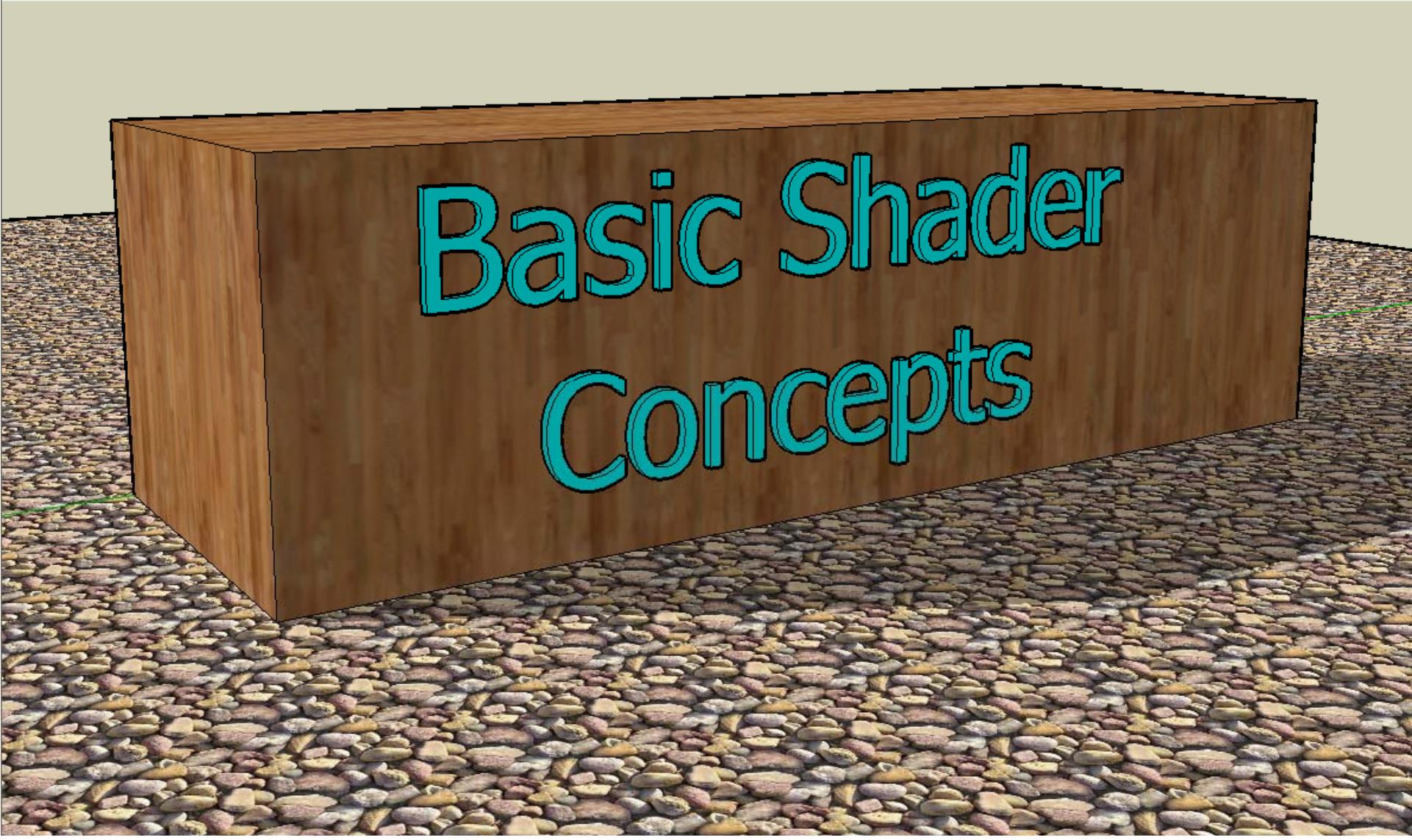
Review of the Graphics Pipeline

The Basic Computer Graphics Pipeline



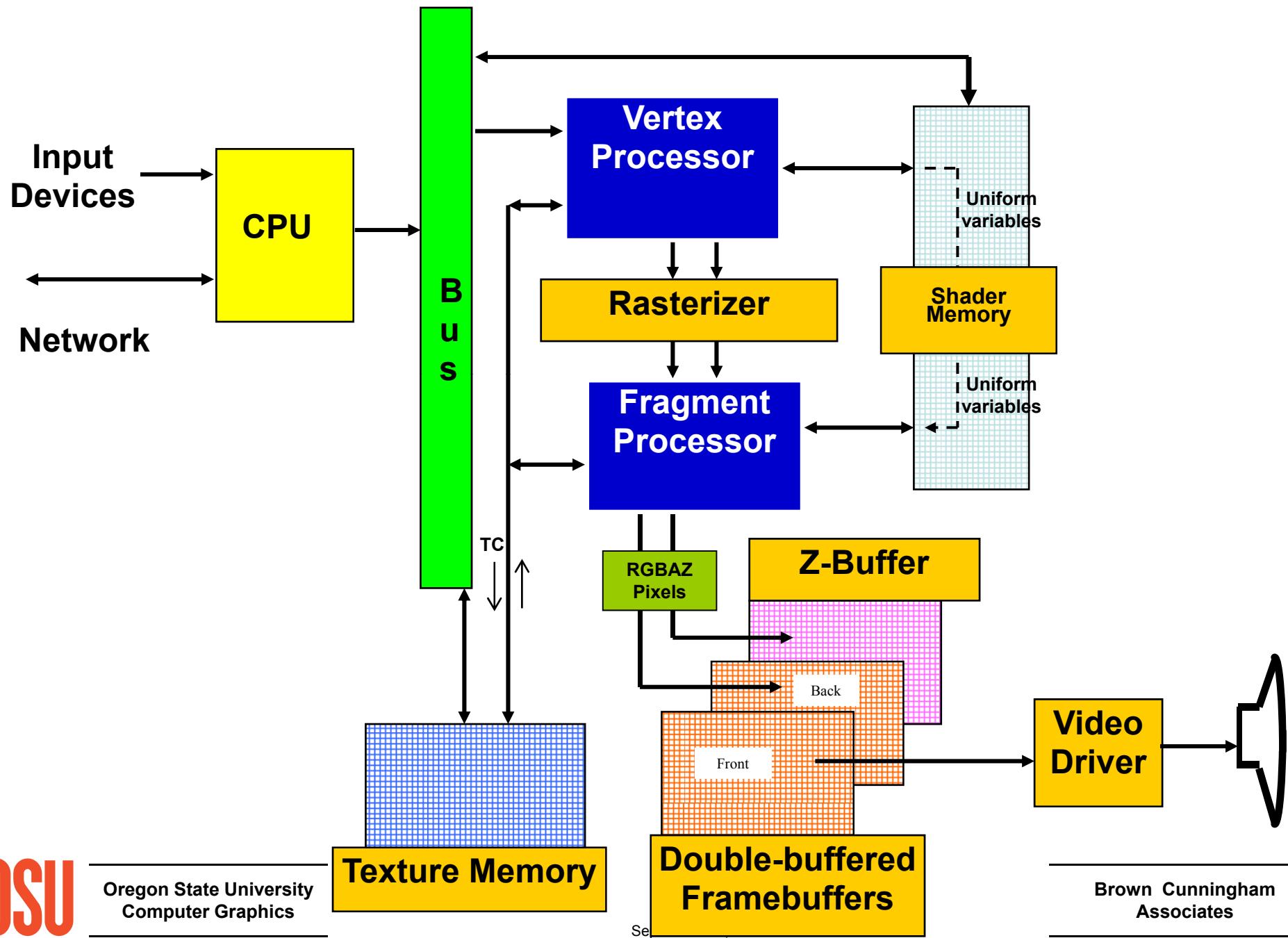
MC = Model Coordinates
WC = World Coordinates
EC = Eye Coordinates
CC = Clip Coordinates
NDC = Normalized Device Coordinates
SC = Screen Coordinates



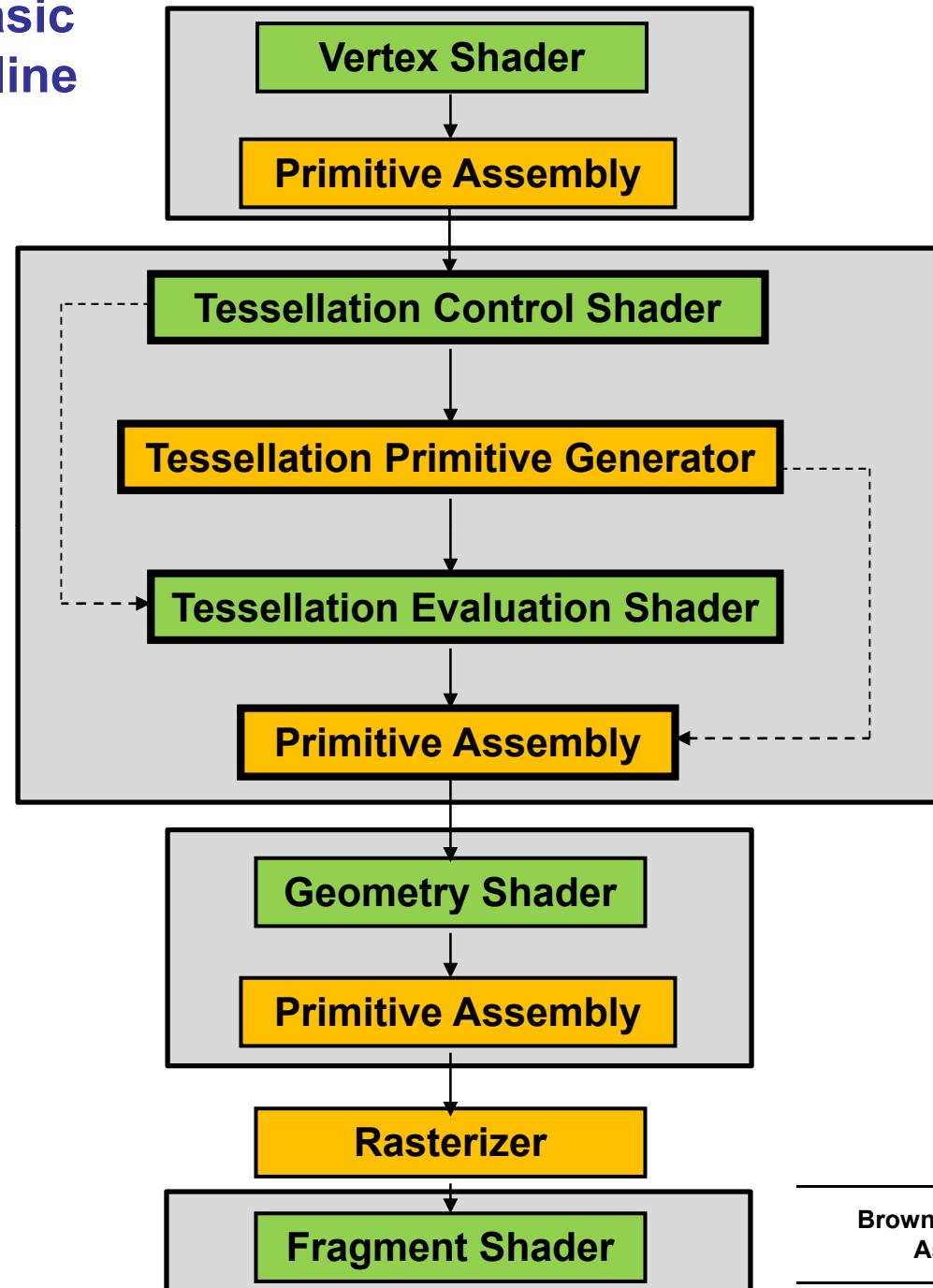
A large, rectangular wooden sign stands on a paved surface made of irregular stones. The sign has a dark brown wood grain texture and contains the text "Basic Shader Concepts" in a bold, light blue, sans-serif font. The text is arranged in two lines: "Basic Shader" on the top line and "Concepts" on the bottom line. The sign is positioned in front of a plain, light-colored wall.

Basic Shader
Concepts

The Generic Computer Graphics System



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= Fixed Function

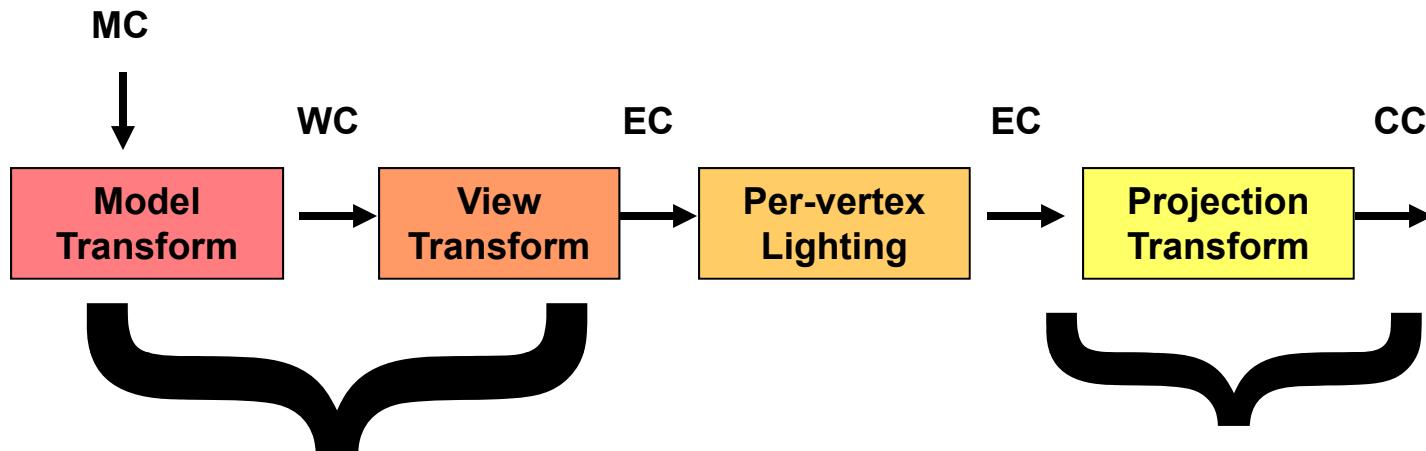


= Programmable



Transformations

Standard OpenGL gives you Access to two Transformations



These two are lumped together into a single matrix called the *ModelView Matrix*.

In GLSL, this is called
gl_ModelViewMatrix

This one is called the *Projection Matrix*.

In GLSL, this is called
gl_ProjectionMatrix

GLSL also provides you with these two multiplied together.
This is called
gl_ModelViewProjectionMatrix

MC = Model Coordinates
WC = World Coordinates
EC = Eye Coordinates
CC = Clip Coordinates

Producing Transformed Coordinates and Normals

```
vec4 ModelCoords = gl_Vertex ;
```

```
vec4 EyeCoords = gl_ModelViewMatrix * gl_Vertex ;
```

```
vec4 ClipCoords = gl_ModelViewProjectionMatrix * gl_Vertex ;
```

GLSL also gives you the matrix to transform normal vectors. It performs the same operations on normal vectors as the ModelView matrix does on vertices.

In GLSL, this is called **gl_NormalMatrix**

It is actually the transpose of the inverse of the ModelView matrix. (Trust us...)

```
vec3 TransfNorm = gl_NormalMatrix * gl_Normal ;
```



Introduction to GLSL



GLSL Shaders Look Like C With Extensions for Graphics:

- Types include int, ivec2, ivec3, ivec4
- Types include float, vec2, vec3, vec4
- Types include mat2, mat3, mat4
- Types include bool, bvec2, bvec3, bvec4
- Types include sampler to access textures
- Vector components are accessed with [index], .rgba, .xyzw, and .stpq
- Vector components can be "swizzled" (`c1.rgba = c2.abgr`)
- *discard* operator used in fragment shaders to discard fragments
- Type qualifiers: `out`, `in`, `const`, `uniform`, `flat`, `noperspective`
- Procedure type qualifiers: `in`, `out`, `inout`



GLSL Shaders Are Missing Some C-isms:

- No type casts (use constructors instead)
- No automatic promotion
- No pointers
- No strings
- No enums



Here's What a GLSL Vertex Shader Looks Like

```
out vec4 vColor;
out float vX, vY, vZ;
out float vLightIntensity;

void
main( void )
{
    vec3 TransNorm = normalize( gl_NormalMatrix * gl_Normal );
    vec3 LightPos = vec3( 0., 0., 10. );
    vec3 ECposition = ( gl_ModelViewMatrix * gl_Vertex ).xyz;
    vLightIntensity = dot( normalize(LightPos - ECposition), TransNorm );
    vColor = gl_Color;
    vec3 MCposition = gl_Vertex.xyz;

    vX = MCposition.x;
    vY = MCposition.y;
    vZ = MCposition.z;

    gl_Position = gl_ModelViewProjectionMatrix * gl_Vertex;
}
```



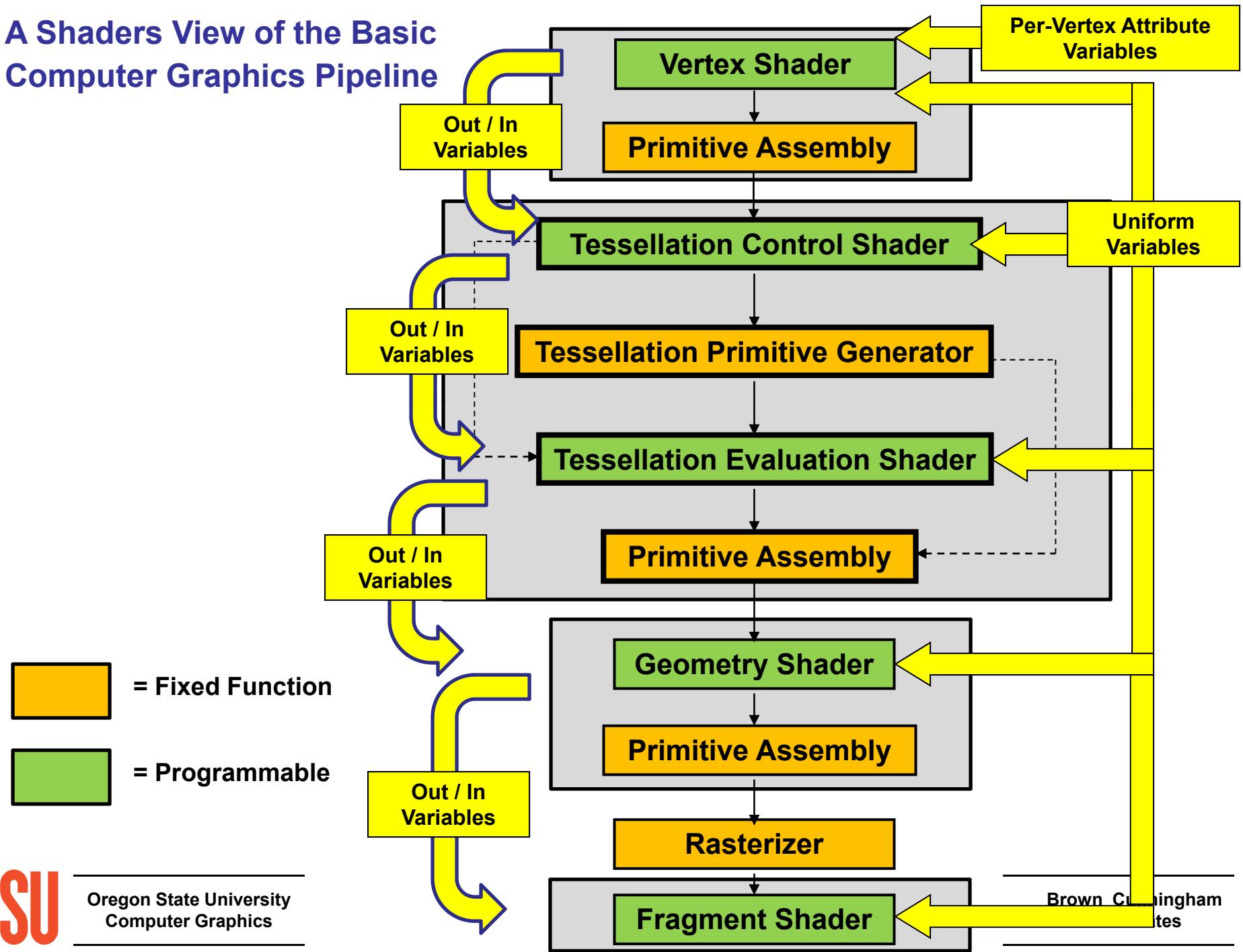
Don't worry about the details right now, just take comfort in the fact that it is C-like and that there appears to be a lot of support routines for you to use

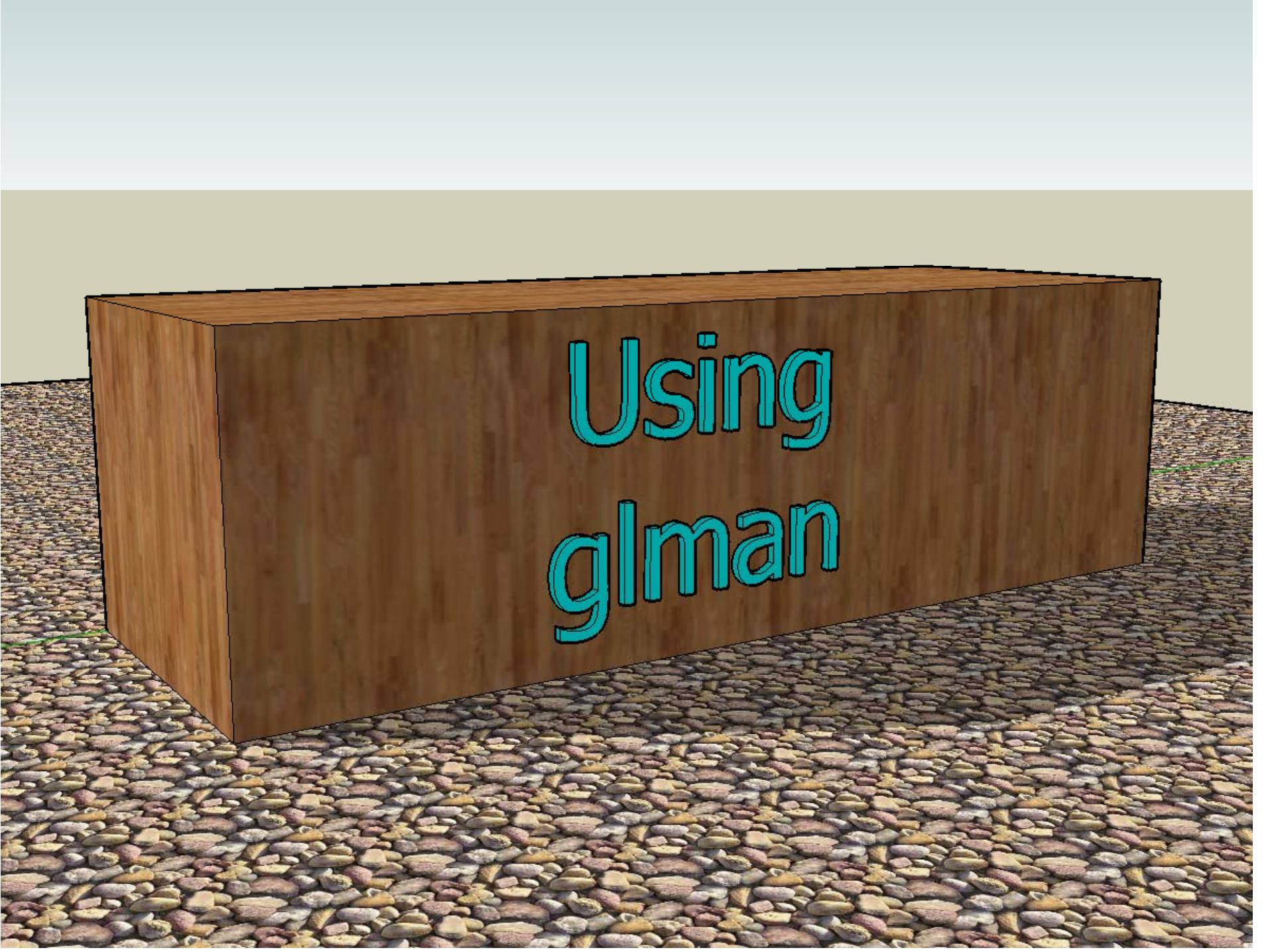


A 3D rendering of a rectangular wooden sign standing on a cobblestone surface. The sign has a dark brown wood grain texture. In the center, the words "Using GLSL Variables" are written in a large, bold, cyan-colored font. The letters have a slight drop shadow, making them stand out from the wood. The background consists of a light beige wall and a paved area with small, irregular stones.

Using GLSL
Variables

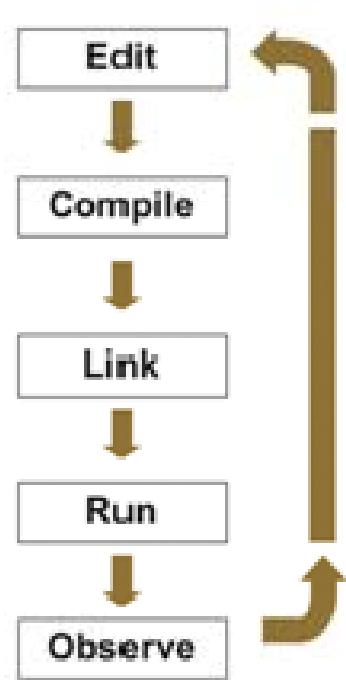
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A 3D rendering of a rectangular wooden sign resting on a cobblestone surface. The sign has a dark brown wood grain texture. In the center, the words "Using glman" are written in a bold, sans-serif font. The letters are a bright cyan color. The sign is positioned in front of a light-colored wall.

Using
glman

Why use glman?



Writing a program

versus

glman:



Using glman



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glman User Interface

Load or re-load a .glib file

Edit a specific type of file

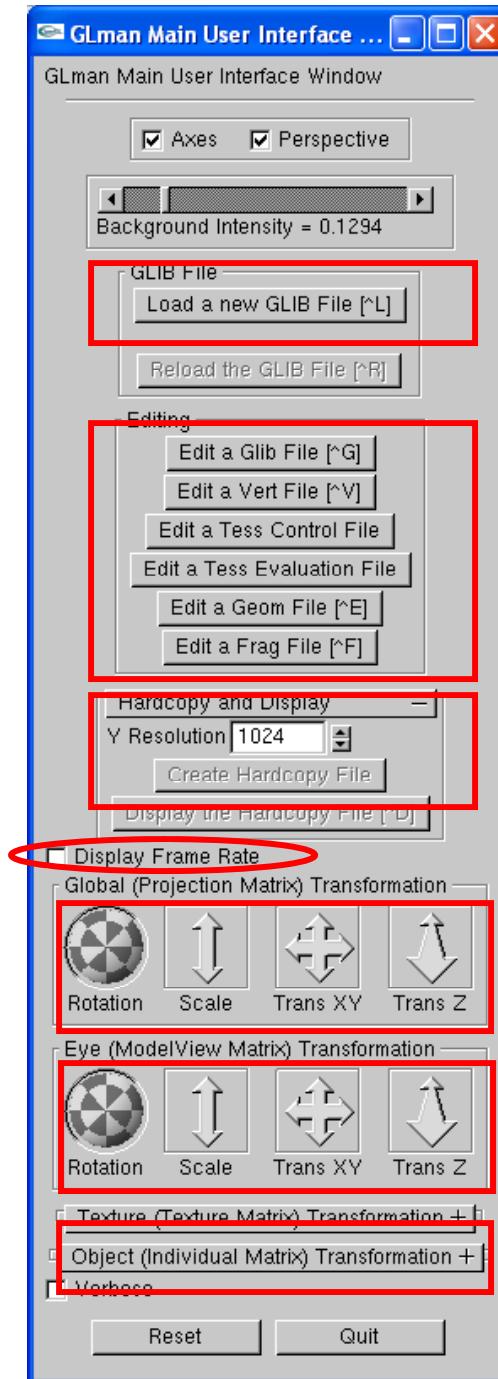
Dump an arbitrary-resolution BMP file

Display the speed of the display (fps)

Transformations in the projection matrix

Transformations in the modelview matrix

Allow picking and transformation of individual objects



glman is looking for up to 6 different files

- A **.glib** file that acts as a scene description script
- A **.vert** file that contains the vertex shader
- A **.frag** file that contains the fragment shader
- Optional **.tcs** and **.tes** files that contain the tessellation control shader and the tessellation evaluation shader.
- An optional **.geom** file that contains the geometry shader



.glib Range Variables

- Scalar variables are just listed as numbers.

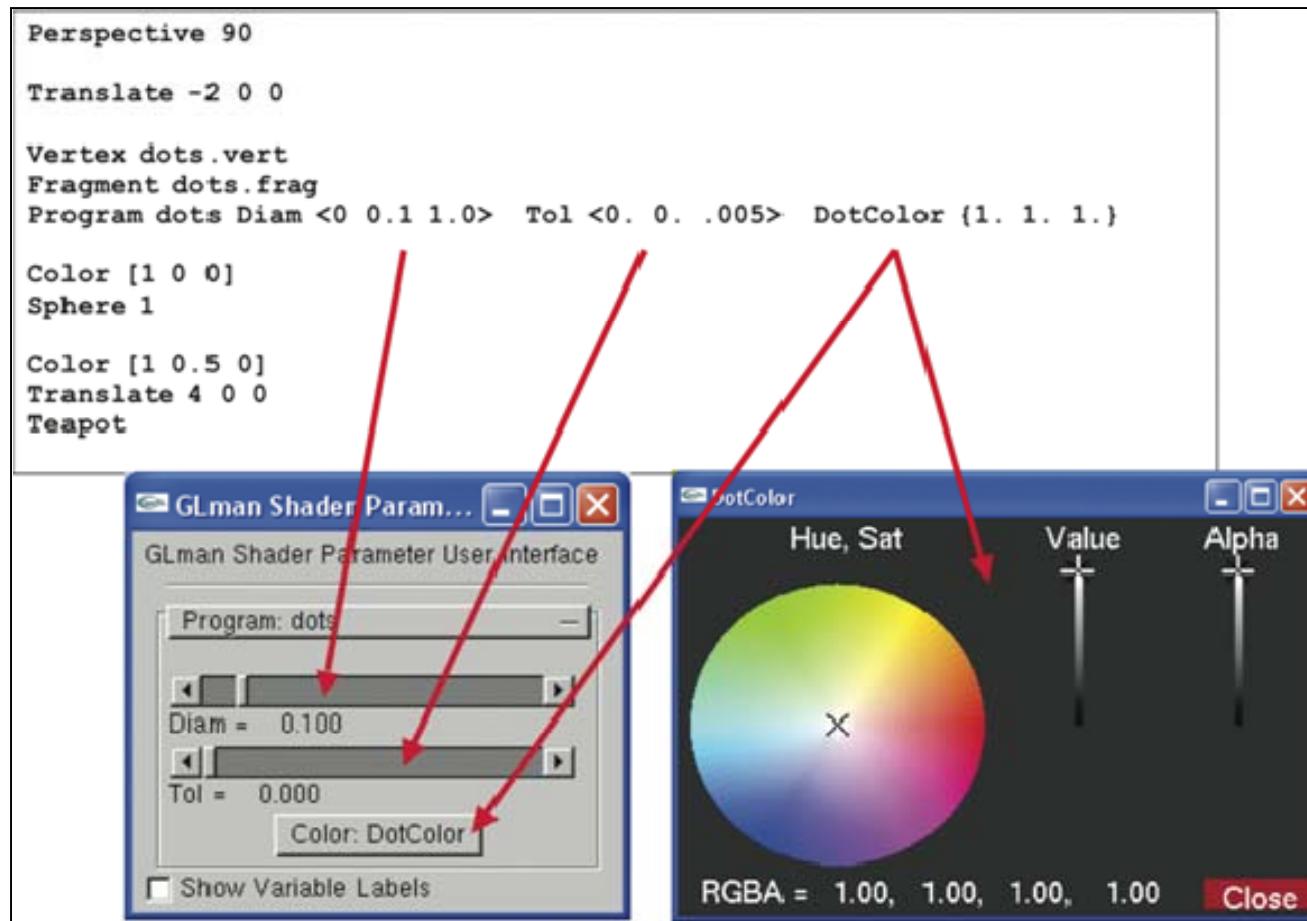
Array variables are enclosed in square brackets, as [].

- Range variables are enclosed in angle brackets, as < >. These are scalar variables, and *glman* automatically generates a slider in the Uniform Variable user interface for each range variable so that you can then change this value as *glman* executes. The three values in the brackets are : <min current max>, e.g., <0. 5. 10.>. *glman* will look into your shader program's symbol table to decide if this range variable should be a *float* an *int*, or a *bool*, and will create a slider of the appropriate type.
- Color variables are enclosed in curly brackets, as { }. Color variables may be either RGB or RGBA, as:
 {red green blue}
or
 {red green blue alpha}

This will generate a button in the UI panel that, when clicked, brings up a color selector window. The color selector allows you to change the value of this color variable as *glman* executes.

- A Boolean variable is available to select or de-select options in your shader. The *glman* user interface will automatically create a checkbox in the user interface window. In the GLIB file, a Boolean variable has a name and then the word true or the word false inside parenthesis, e.g., “(true)”. This is the initial setting of the checkbox.
- Multiple vertex-geometry-fragment-program combinations are allowed in the same GLIB file. If there is more than one combination, then they will appear as separate rollout panels in the user interface. The first program rollout will be open, and all the others will be closed. Open the ones you need when you need them.

Sample .glib file and the User Interface it creates

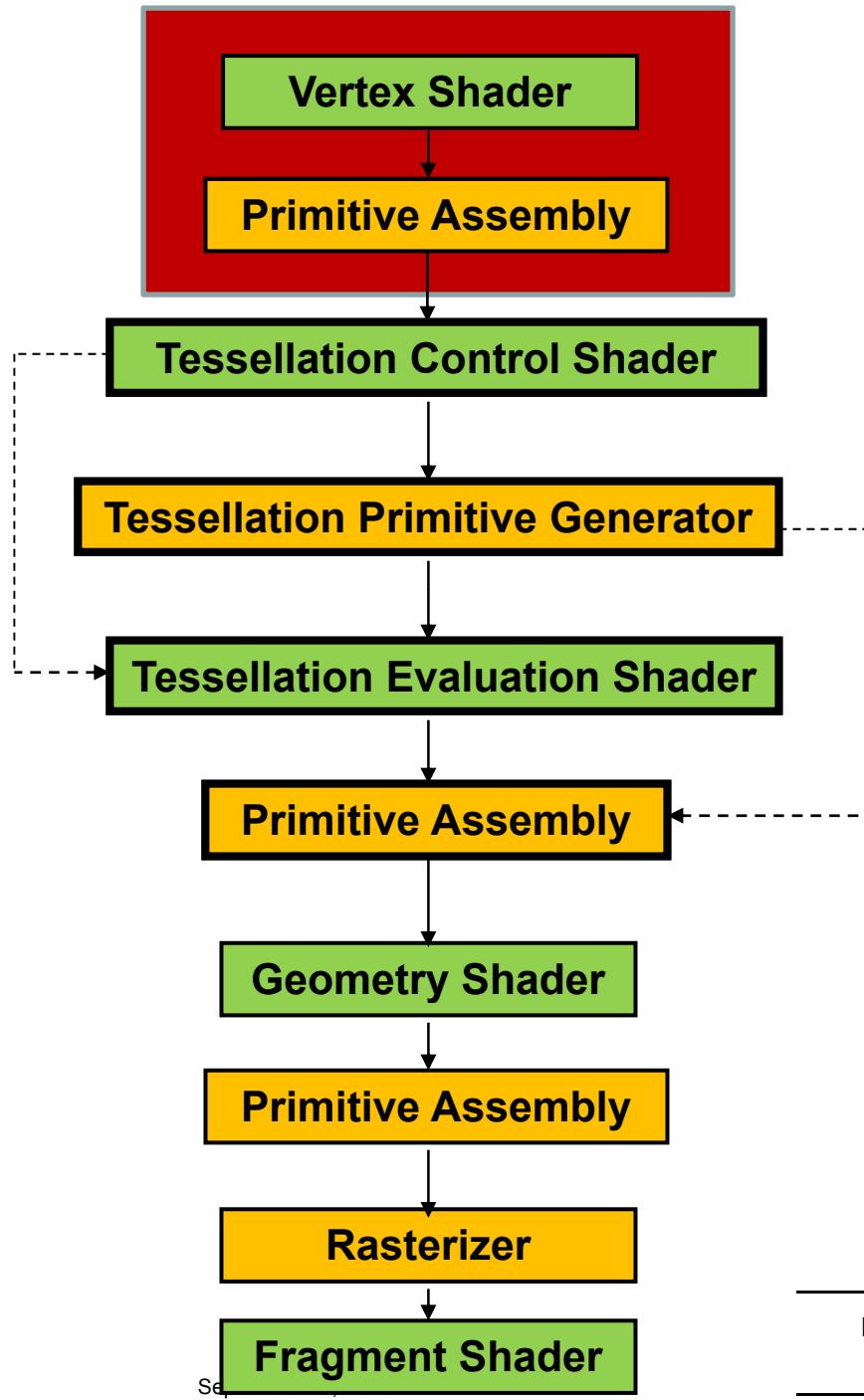




A 3D rendering of a rectangular wooden sign resting on a cobblestone surface. The sign has a dark brown wood grain texture. In the center, the words "Vertex Shaders" are written in a large, bold, cyan-colored font. The letters have a slight drop shadow, giving them a 3D appearance as if they are floating above the sign. The background consists of a light beige wall and a paved ground made of irregular stones.

Vertex Shaders

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= Fixed Function

= Programmable

What does a Vertex Shader Do?

The basic function of a vertex shader is to take the vertex coordinates as supplied by the application, and perform whatever transformation of them is required. At the same time, the vertex shader can perform various analyses based on those vertex coordinates and prepare variable values for later on in the graphics process.



A GLSL Vertex Shader Replaces These Operations:

- Vertex transformations
- Normal transformations
- Normal normalization
- Handling of per-vertex lighting
- Handling of texture coordinates

A GLSL Vertex Shader Does Not Replace These Operations:

- Frustum clipping
- Homogeneous division
- Viewport mapping
- Backface culling
- Polygon mode
- Polygon offset



Built-in Vertex Shader Variables You Will Use a Lot:

```
vec4 gl_Vertex  
vec3 gl_Normal  
vec4 gl_Color  
vec4 gl_MultiTexCoordi (i=0, 1, 2, ...)  
mat4 gl_ModelViewMatrix  
mat4 gl_ProjectionMatrix  
mat4 gl_ModelViewProjectionMatrix  
mat4 gl_NormalMatrix
```



Sample Vertex Shader: Stripes in Model and Eye Coordinates

```
out vec4 vColor;
out float vX, vY, vZ;
out float vLightIntensity;

void
main( void )
{
    vec3 TransNorm = normalize( gl_NormalMatrix * gl_Normal );
    vec3 LightPos = vec3( 0., 0., 10. );
    vec3 ECposition = ( gl_ModelViewMatrix * gl_Vertex ).xyz;
    vLightIntensity = dot(normalize(LightPos - ECposition), TransNorm);
    vLightIntensity = abs( LightIntensity );
    vColor = gl_Color;
    vec3 MCposition = gl_Vertex.xyz;
#ifdef EYE_COORDS
    vX = ECposition.x;
    vY = ECposition.y;
    vZ = ECposition.z;
#endif
#ifdef MODEL_COORDS
    vX = MCposition.x;
    vY = MCposition.y;
    vZ = MCposition.z;
#endif
    gl_Position = gl_ModelViewProjectionMatrix * gl_Vertex;
}
```



Sample Fragment Shader: Stripes in Model and Eye Coordinates

```
in vec4 vColor;
in float vX, vY, vZ;
in float vLightIntensity;

out vec4 fFragColor;

uniform float uA;
uniform float uP;
uniform float uTol;

void
main( void )
{
    const vec3 WHITE = vec4( 1., 1., 1. );

    float f = fract( uA*vX );

    float t = smoothstep( 0.5-uP-uTol, 0.5-uP+uTol, f ) - smoothstep( 0.5+uP-uTol, 0.5+uP+uTol, f );

    vec3 color = mix( WHITE, vColor.rgb, t );
    fFragColor= vec4( vLightIntensity*color, 1. );
}
```

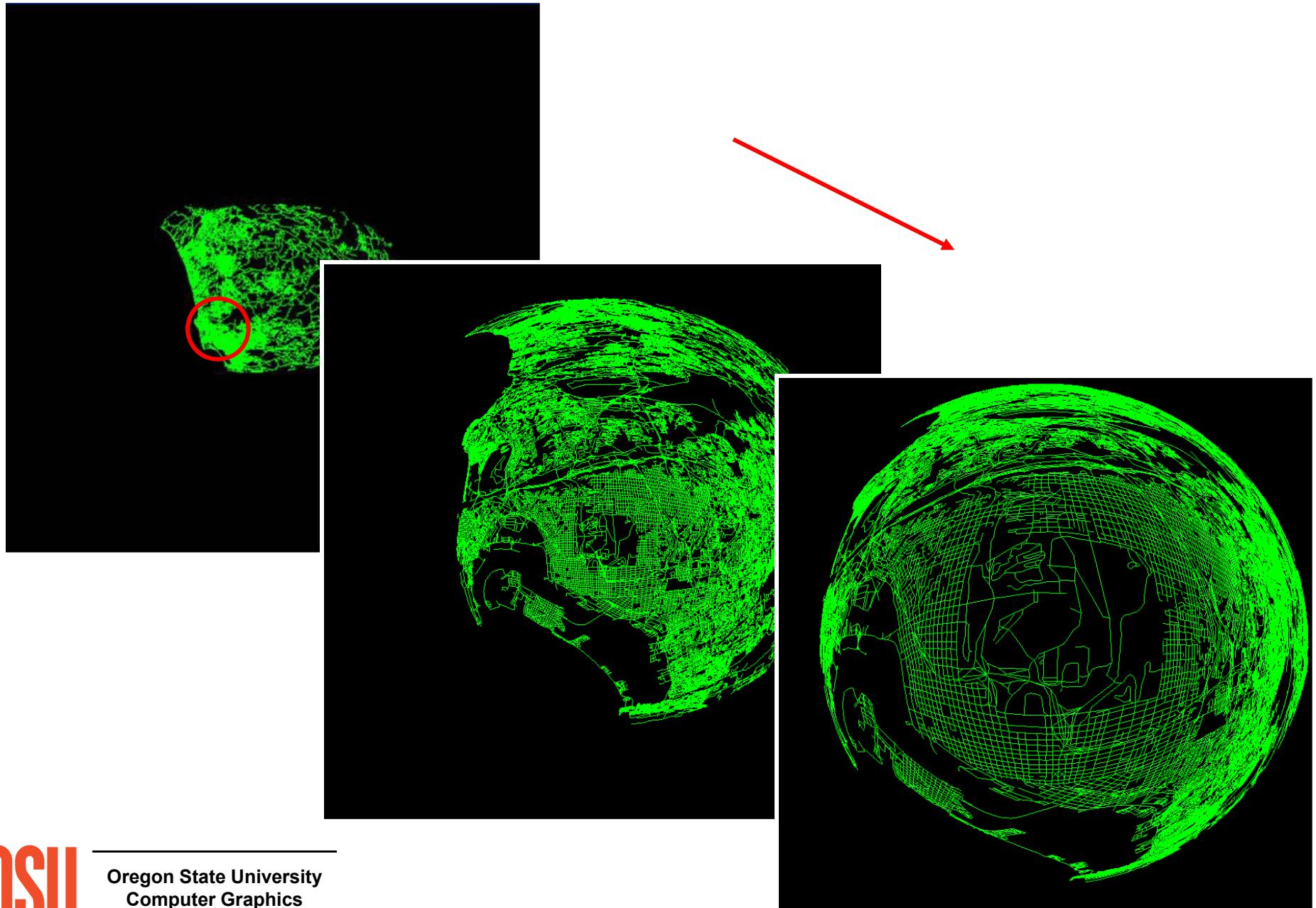


Sample Vertex Shader: Stripes in Model and Eye Coordinates



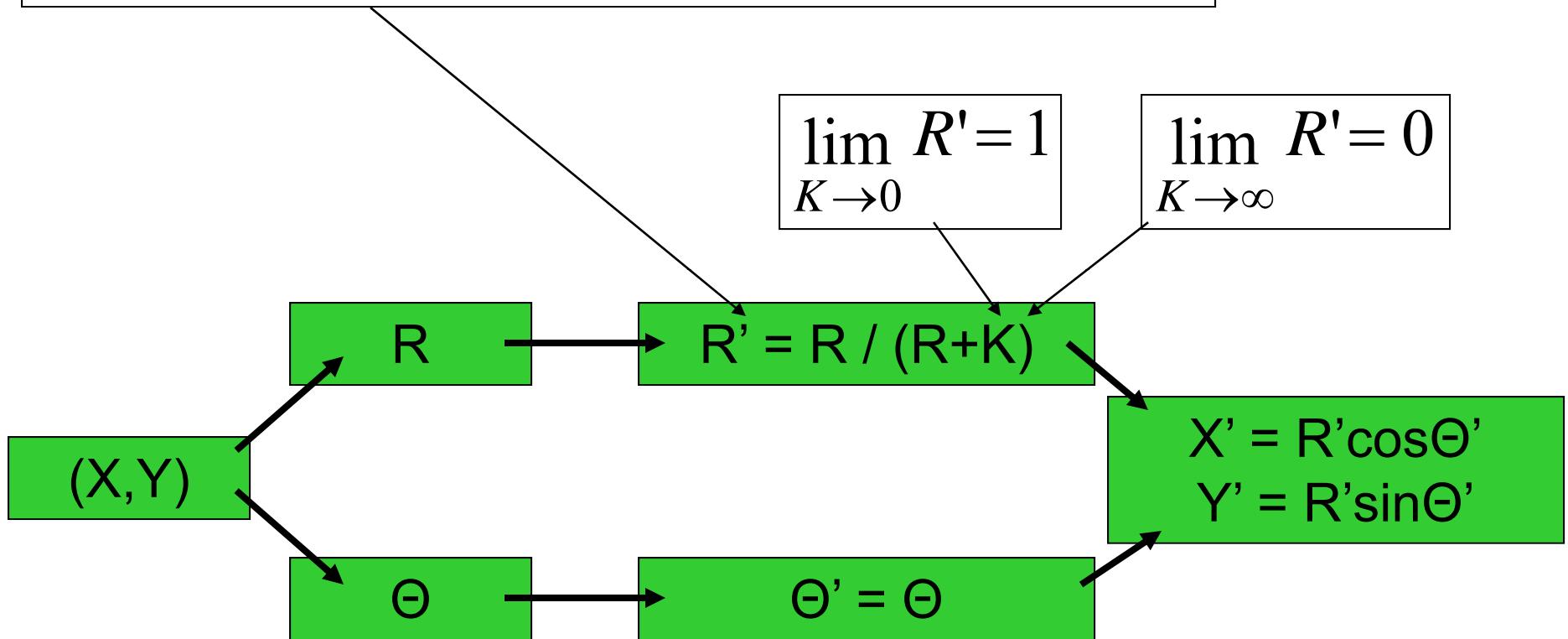
They might
(momentarily) look
the same, but they
don't act the same !

Vertex Shader Example: Polar Hyperbolic Space



Polar Hyperbolic Equations

Overall theme: something divided by something a little bigger



Polar Hyperbolic Equations

$$R = \sqrt{X^2 + Y^2}$$

$$\Theta = \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{Y}{X}\right)$$

$$R' = \frac{R}{R + K}$$

Coordinates moved to outer edge
when $K = 0$

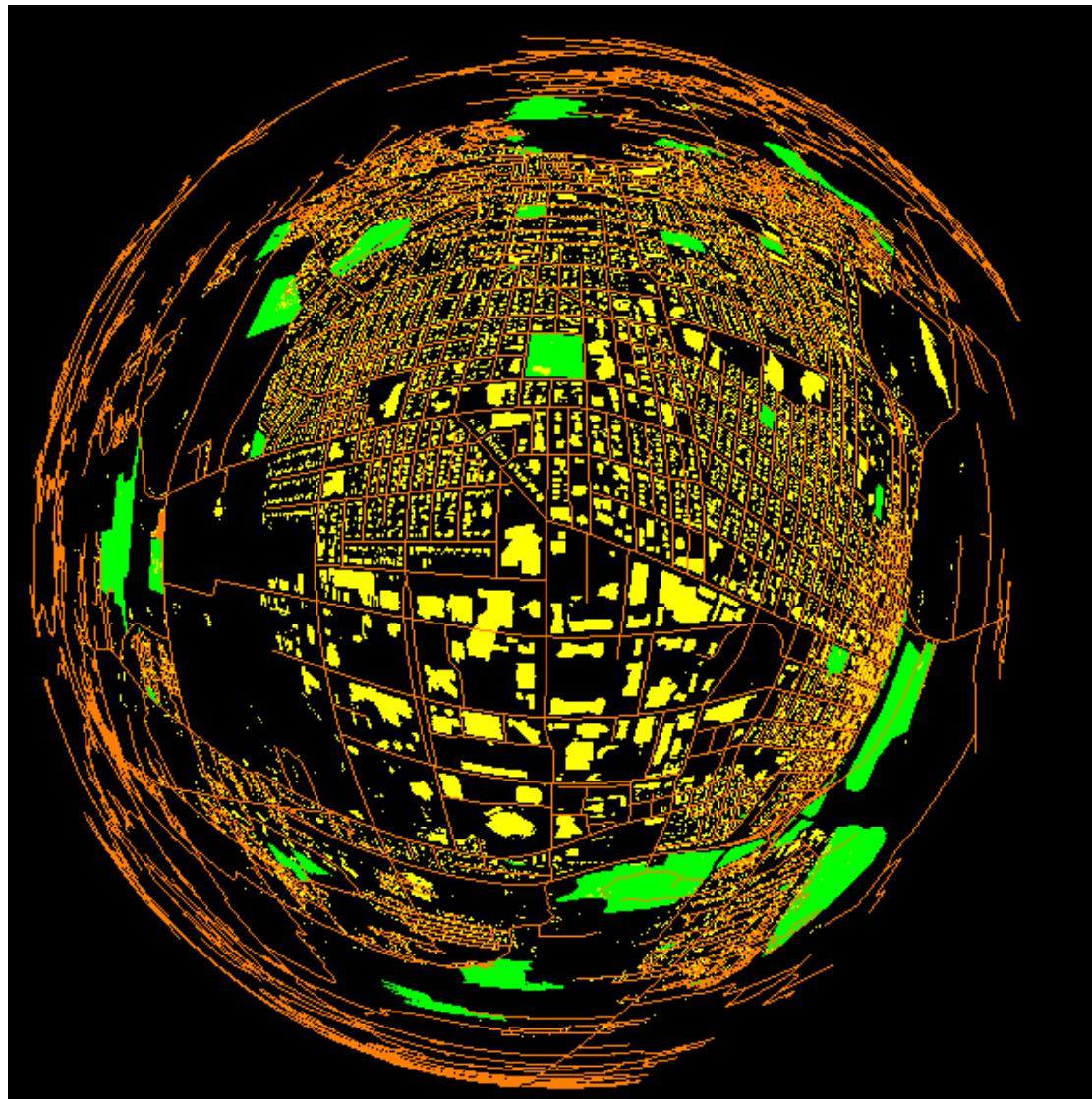
Coordinates moved to center when $K = \infty$

$$X' = R' \cos \Theta = \frac{R}{R + K} \times \frac{X}{R} = \frac{X}{R + K}$$

$$Y' = R' \cos \Theta = \frac{R}{R + K} \times \frac{Y}{R} = \frac{Y}{R + K}$$



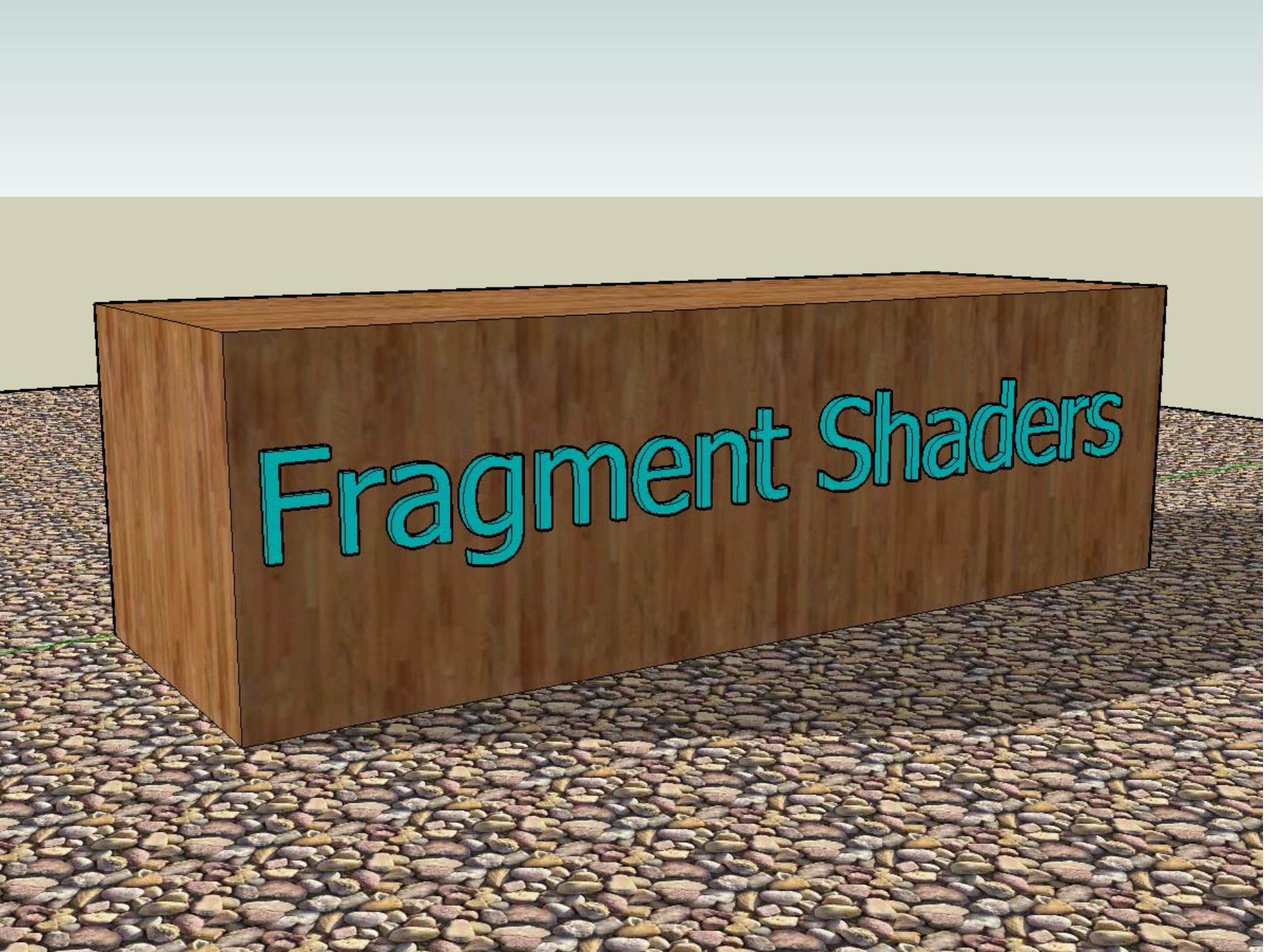
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Fragment Shaders

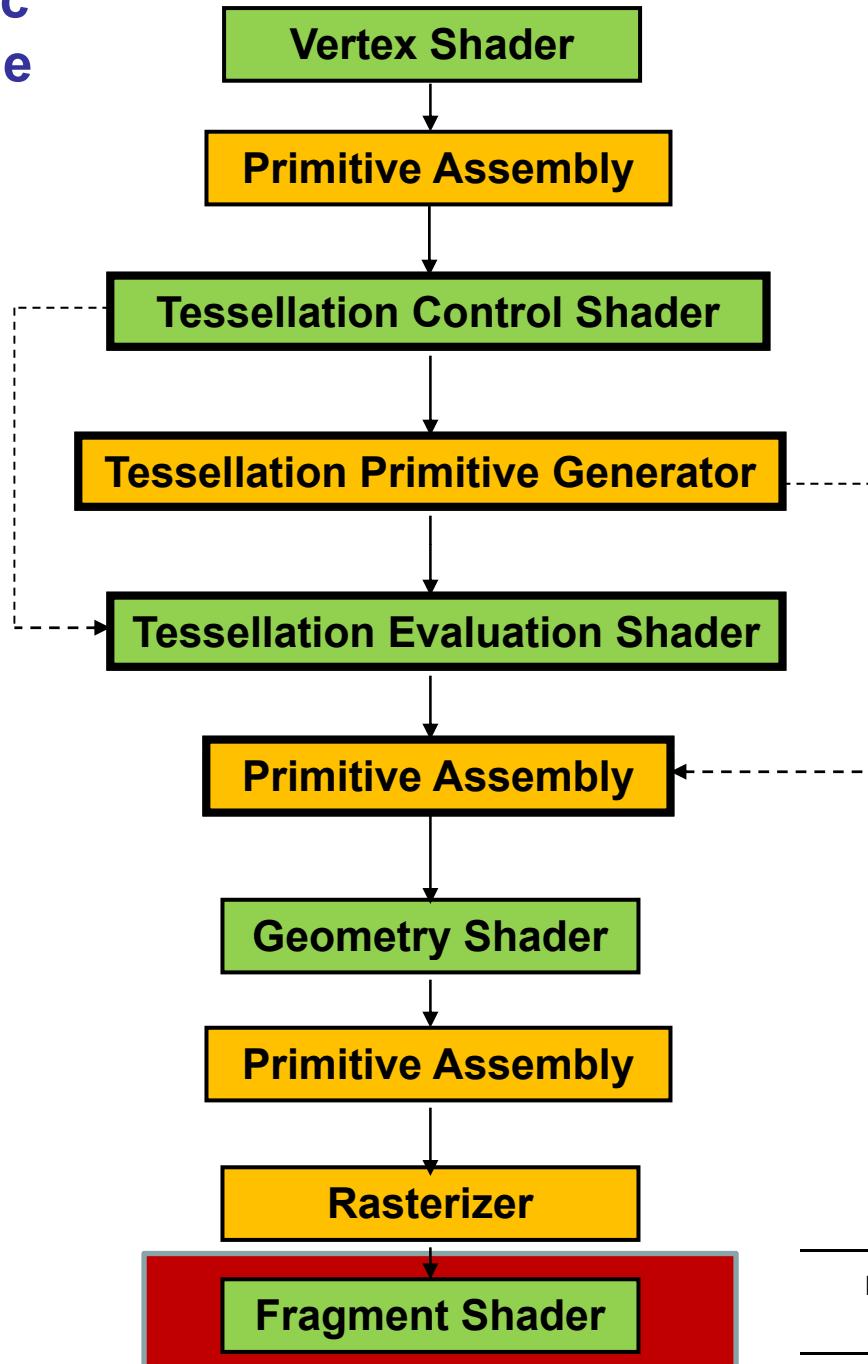
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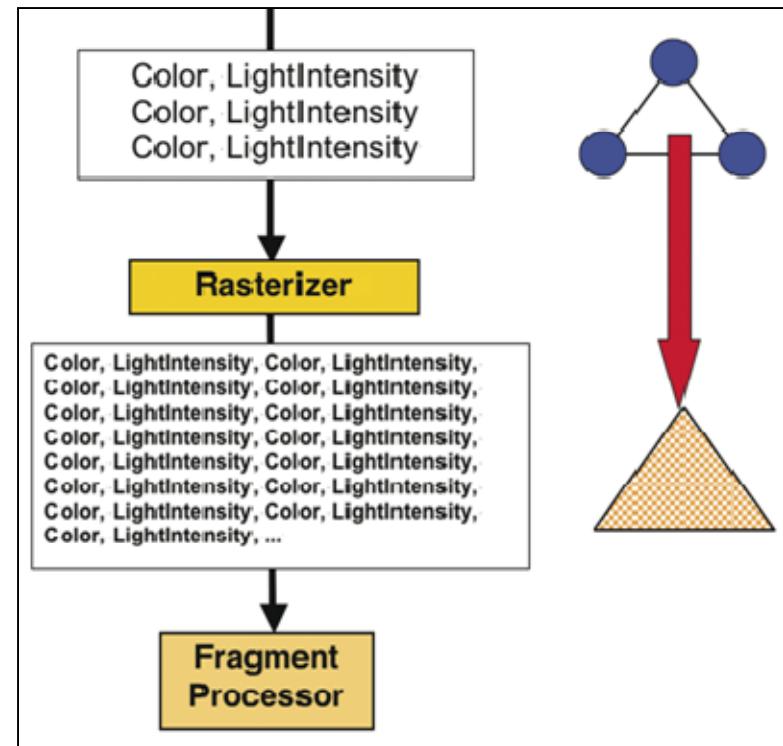


= Programmable



What does a Fragment Shader Do?

The fragment shader starts with the output of the rasterizer. This figure illustrates the rasterizer process, showing how the distinct vertices of a primitive are processed to create the fragments that make up the primitive. The uniform variables and texture information are then used to compute the color of each fragment.



A GLSL Fragment Shader Replaces These Operations:

- Color computation
- Texturing
- Color arithmetic
- Handling of per-pixel lighting
- Fog
- Blending
- Discarding fragments

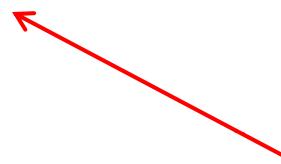
A GLSL Fragment Shader Does Not Replace These Operations:

- Stencil test
- Z-buffer test
- Stippling



The Fragment Shader Variable You Will Use a Lot:

```
out vec4 fFragColor;
```



You can call this whatever you want. This name is our standard.



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Simple Fragment Shader: Setting the Color

```
in float vLightIntensity;  
  
uniform vec4 uColor;  
  
out vec4 fFragColor;  
  
void main( )  
{  
    fFragColor= vec4( vLightIntensity * uColor.rgb, 1. );  
}
```



Fragment Shader: Discarding Fragments

```
uniform vec4 uColor;
uniform float uDensity;
uniform float uFrequency;

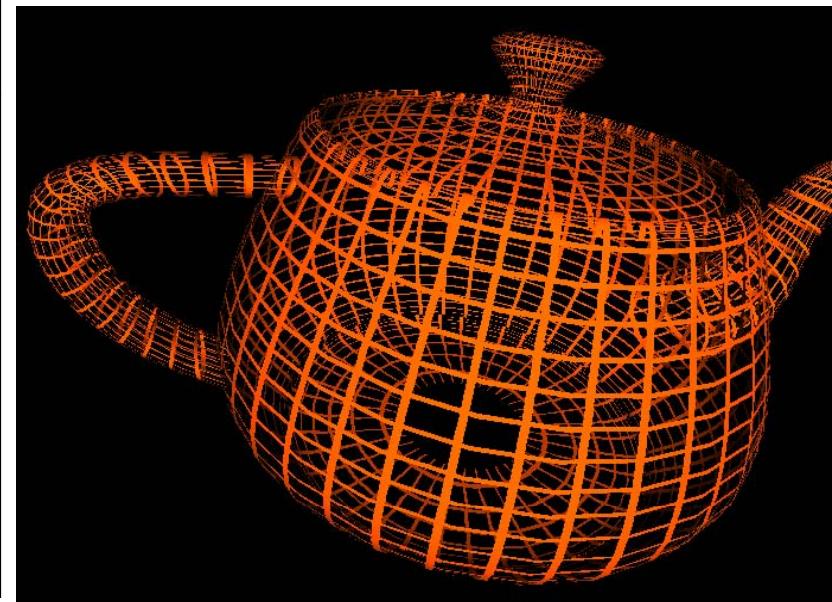
in float vLightIntensity;
in vec2 vST;

out vec4 fFragColor;

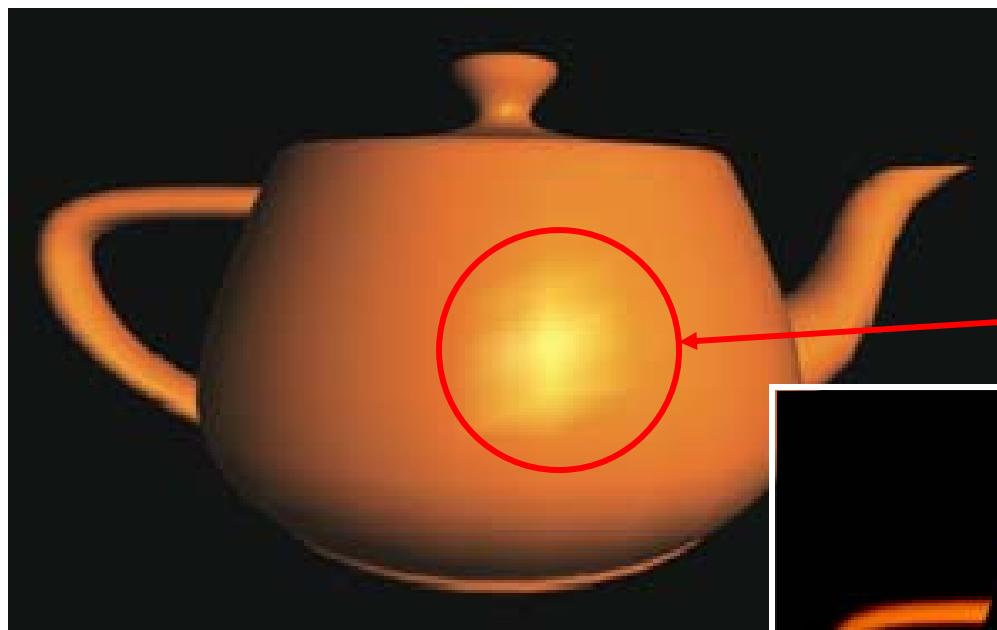
void main( )
{
    vec2 stf = vST * uFrequency;

    if( all( fract( stf ) >= uDensity ) )
        discard;

    fFragColor = vec4( vLightIntensity * uColor.rgb, 1. );
}
```



Per-vertex vs. Per-fragment Lighting



In per-vertex lighting, the normal at each vertex is turned into a lighted intensity. That intensity is then interpolated throughout the polygon. This gives splotchy polygon artifacts like this.



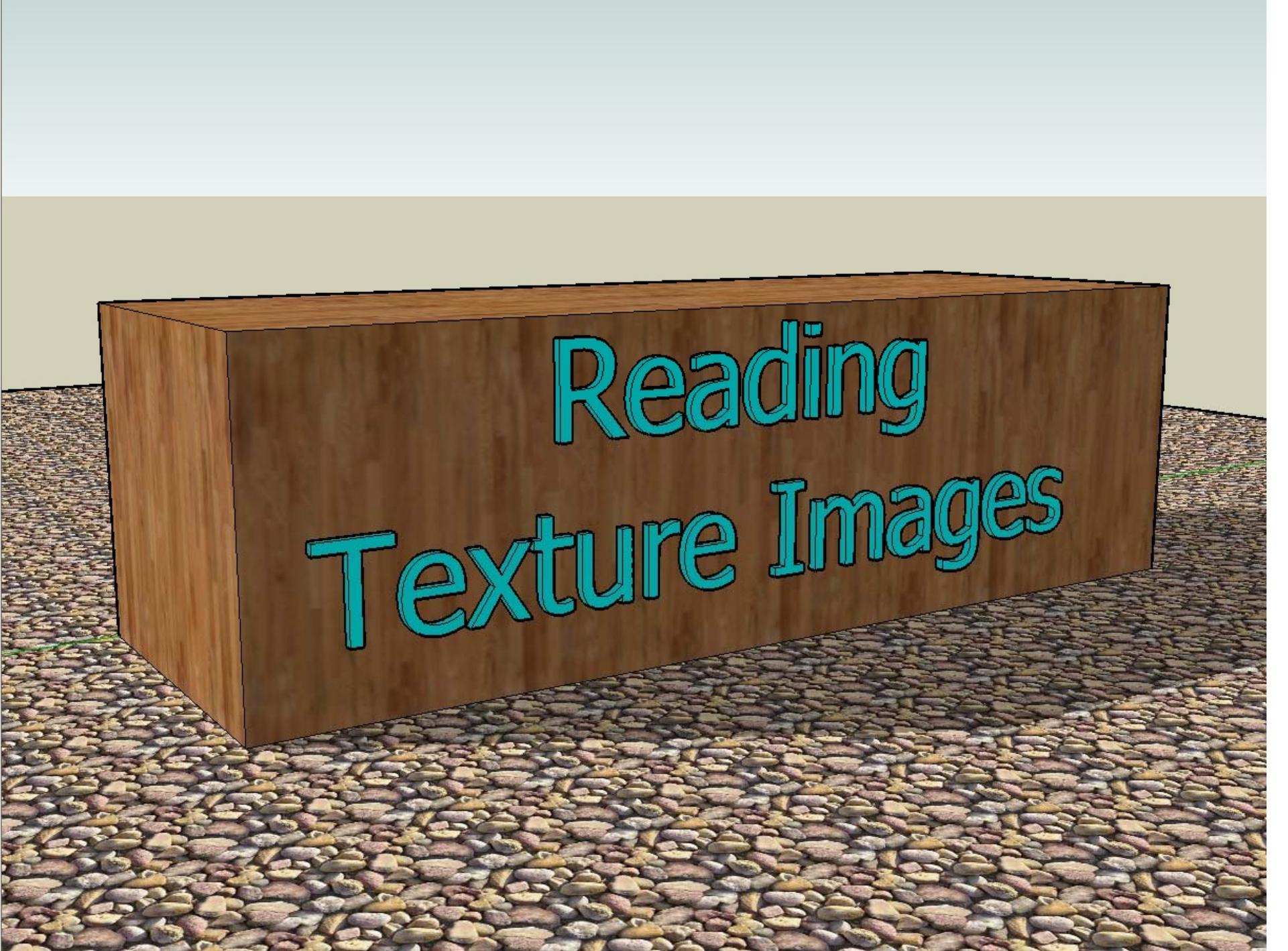
In per-fragment lighting, the normal is interpolated throughout the polygon and turned into a lighted intensity at each fragment. This gives smoother results, like this.



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A wooden sign with a light brown stain and a dark brown border stands on a paved surface made of irregular stones. The sign features the words "Reading Texture Images" in a large, bold, blue font. The background consists of a clear blue sky above a tan wall.

Reading
Texture Images

Some of the Texture-reading Functions

```
vec4 texture( sampler1D sampler, float coord )
vec4 texture( sampler2D sampler, vec2 coord )
vec4 texture( sampler3D sampler, vec3 coord )
```

Use the texture coordinate coord to do a texture lookup in the n-D texture currently bound to sampler.

```
vec4 textureCube( samplerCube sampler, vec3 coord )
```

Use the texture coordinate coord to do a texture lookup in the cube map texture currently bound to sampler. The direction of coord is used to select in which face to do a two-dimensional texture lookup.

You usually call these routines from a fragment shader (that's why we're covering it here), but in fact you can read textures into any other shader as well.



Texture-reading Example

glib file

```
##OpenGL GLIB

Texture2d 7 texture.bmp

Vertex    texture.vert
Fragment  texture.frag
Program   Texture uTexUnit 7

Teapot
```

vert file

```
out vec2 vST;

void
main( void )
{
    vST = gl_MultiTexCoord0.st;
    gl_Position = gl_ModelViewProjectionMatrix * gl_Vertex;
}
```

frag file

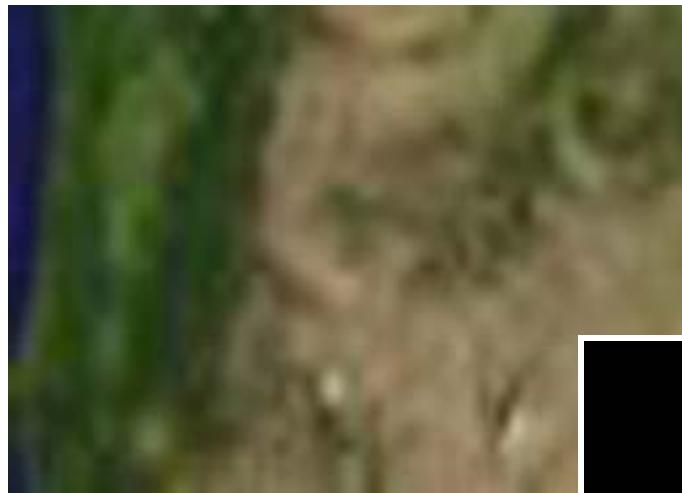
```
uniform sampler2D uTexUnit;
in vec2 vST;
out vec4 fFragColor;

void
main( void )
{
    vec3 rgb = texture2D( uTexUnit, vST ).rgb;
    fFragColor = vec4( rgb, 1. );
}
```



Texture Example

texture.bmp



Using Textures as Data

glib file

```
##OpenGL GLIB

Texture2D 5 goes.visible.bmp
Texture2D 6 goes.infrared.bmp
Texture2D 7 goes.watervapor.bmp

Vertex multiband.vert
Fragment multiband.frag
Program MultiBand
    uVisibleUnit 5    uInfraRedUnit 6    uWaterVaporUnit 7
    uVisible <0. 1. 1.> uInfraRed <0. 0. 1.> uWaterVapor <0. 0. 1.>
    uVisibleThreshold <0. 1. 1.>
    uInfraRedThreshold <0. 0. 1.>
    uWaterVaporThreshold <0. 0. 1.>
    uBrightness <0. 1. 3.>

QuadXY
```

vert file

```
out vec2 vST;
void main( )
{
    vST= gl_MultiTexCoord0.st;
    gl_Position = gl_ModelViewProjectionMatrix * gl_Vertex;
}
```

Using Textures as Data

frag file, I

```
uniform sampler2D    uVisibleUnit;
uniform sampler2D    uInfraRedUnit;
uniform sampler2D    uWaterVaporUnit;
uniform float        uVisible;
uniform float        uInfraRed;
uniform float        uWaterVapor;
uniform float        uVisibleThreshold;
uniform float        uInfraRedThreshold;
uniform float        uWaterVaporThreshold;
uniform float        uBrightness;

in vec2 vST;

out vec4 fFragColor;

void
main()
{
    vec3 visibleColor  = texture2D( uVisibleUnit, vST ).rgb;
    vec3 infraredColor = texture2D( uInfraRedUnit, vST).rgb;
    infraredColor = vec3(1.,1.,1.) - infraredColor;
    vec3 watervaporColor = texture2D( uWaterVaporUnit, vST ).rgb;

    vec3 rgb;
```



Using a Texture as Data

frag file, II

```
if( visibleColor.r - visibleColor.g > .25 && visibleColor.r - visibleColor.b > .25 )
{
    rgb = vec3( 1., 1., 0. );    // state outlines become yellow
}
else
{
    rgb = uVisible*visibleColor + uInfraRed*infraredColor + uWaterVapor*watervaporColor;
    rgb /= 3.;

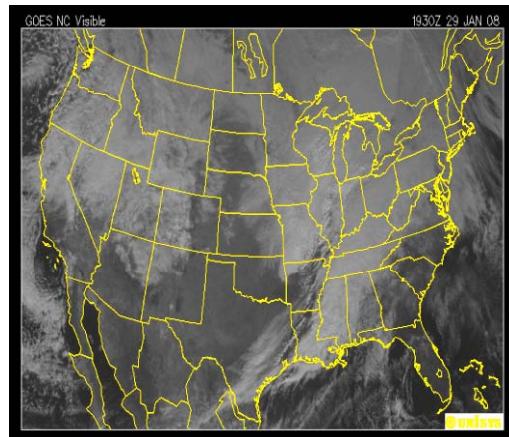
    vec3 coefs = vec3( 0.296, 0.240, 0.464 );
    float visibleInten = dot(coefs,visibleColor);
    float infraredInten = dot(coefs,infraredColor);
    float watervaporInten = dot(coefs,watervaporColor);

    if( visibleInten > uVisibleThreshold && infraredInten < uInfraRedThreshold && watervaporInten > uWaterVaporThreshold )
    {
        rgb = vec3( 0., 1., 0. );
    }
    else
    {
        rgb *= uBrightness;
        rgb = clamp( rgb, 0., 1. );
    }
}

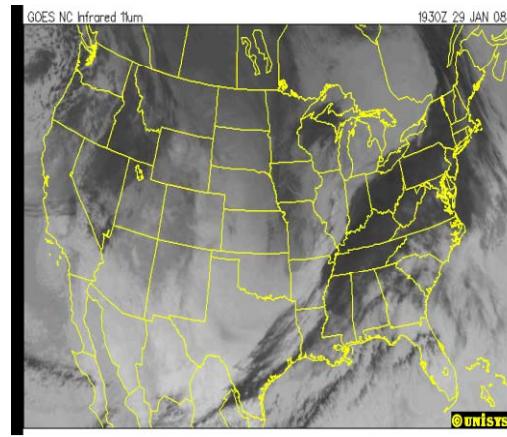
fFragColor = vec4( rgb, 1. );
}
```



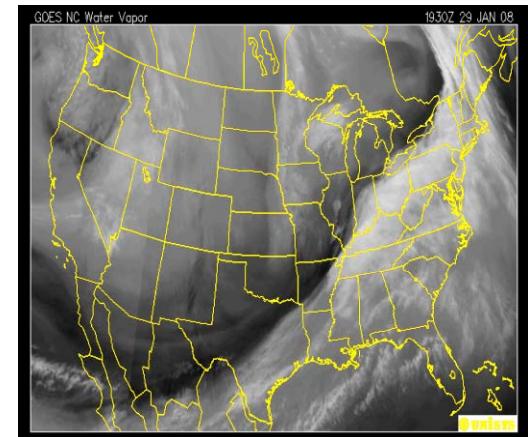
Using Textures as Data – Where is it Likely to Snow?



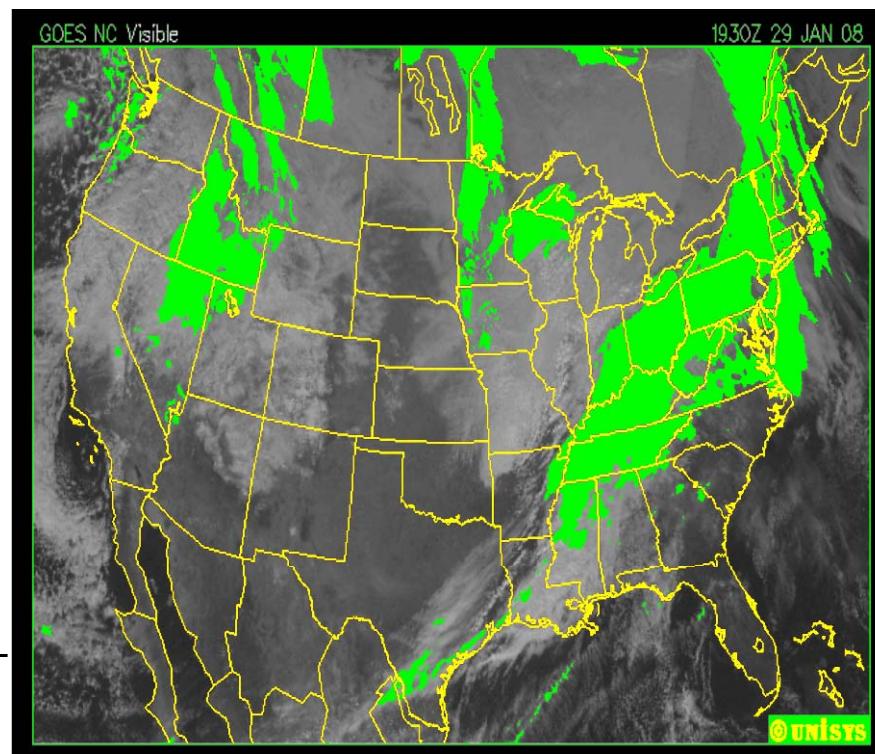
Visible



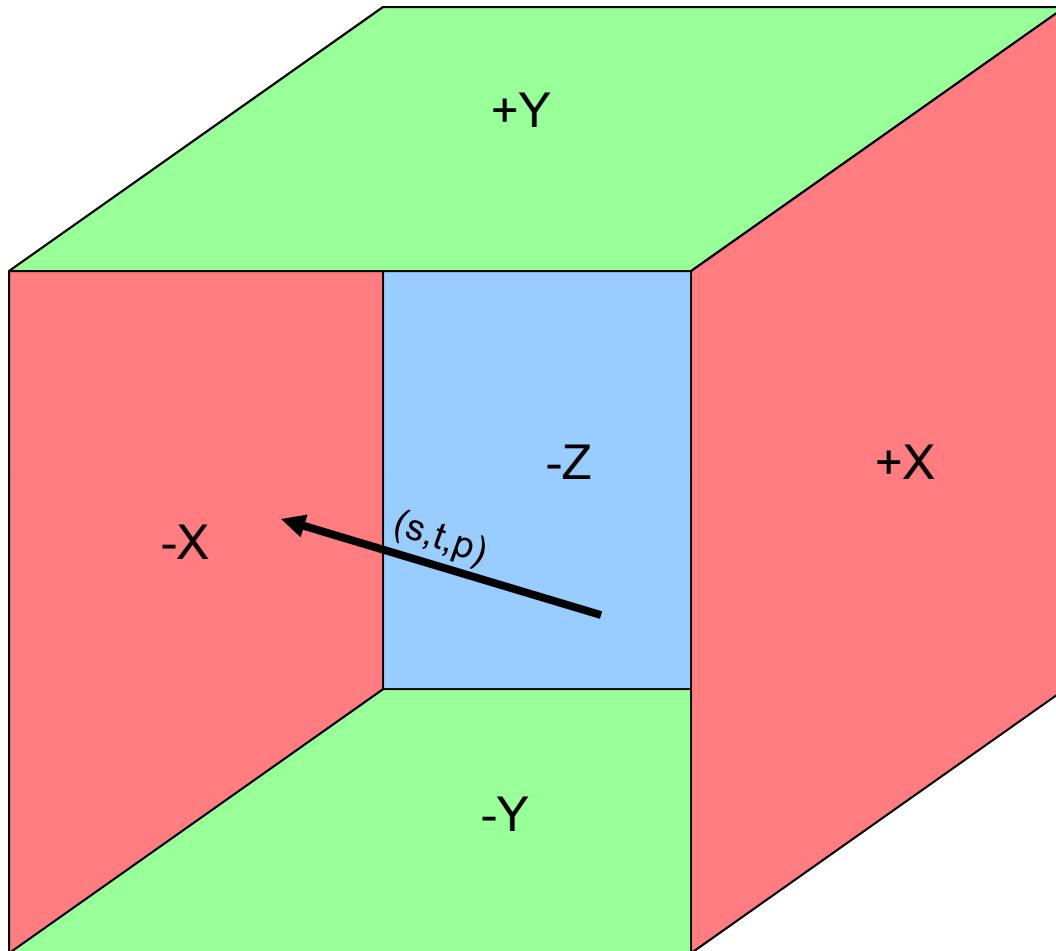
Infrared



Water vapor



Cube Map Texture Lookup



- Let L be the texture coordinate of (s, t, p) with the largest magnitude
- L determines which of the 6 2D texture “walls” is being hit by the vector $(-X$ in this case)
- The texture coordinates in that texture are the remaining two texture coordinates divided by L : $(a/L, b/L)$

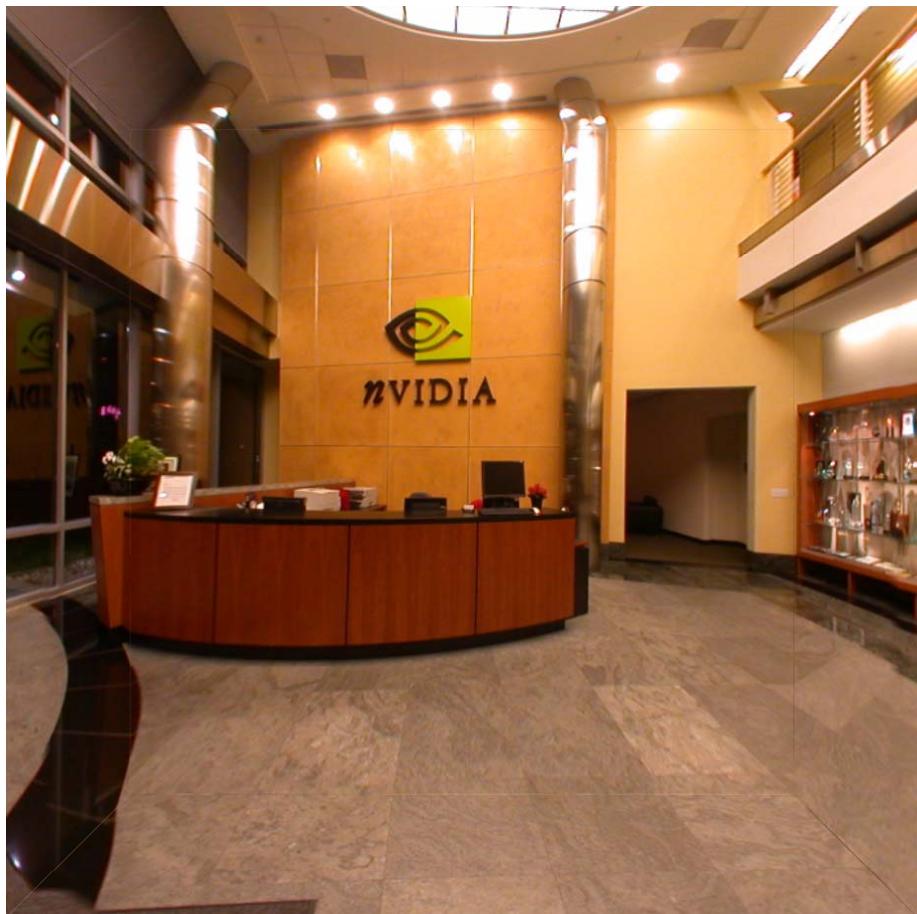
```
vec3 ReflectVector = reflect( vec3 eyeDir, vec3 normal );
```

```
vec3 RefractVector = refract( vec3 eyeDir, vec3 normal, float Eta );
```

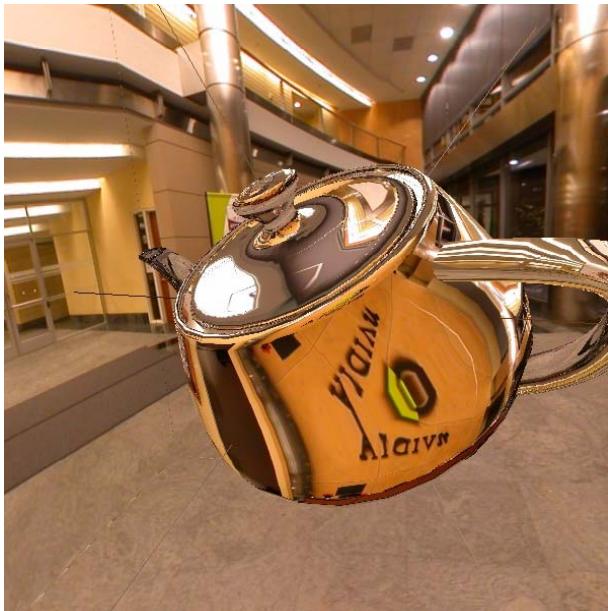
Cube Map of Nvidia's Lobby



Showing the Cube and its Seams



Using the Cube Map for Reflection



Using the Cube Map for Reflection

```
out vec3 vReflectVector;

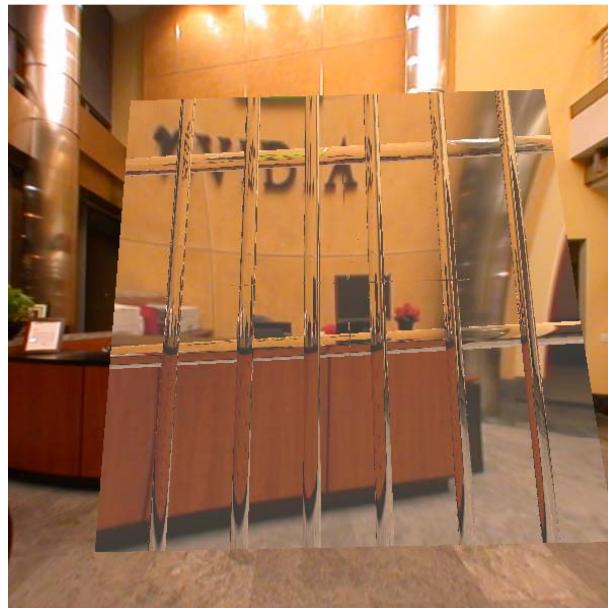
void main( )
{
    vec3 ECposition = vec3( gl_ModelViewMatrix * gl_Vertex );
    vec3 eyeDir = ECposition - vec3(0.,0.,0.);           // vector from eye to pt
    vec3 normal = normalize( gl_NormalMatrix * gl_Normal );
    vReflectVector = reflect( eyeDir, normal );
    gl_Position = gl_ModelViewProjectionMatrix * gl_Vertex;
}
```

```
in vec3 ReflectVector;
out vec4 fFragColor;
uniform samplerCube uReflectUnit;

void main( )
{
    vec4 newcolor = textureCube( uReflectUnit, vReflectVector );
    fFragColor = newcolor;
}
```



Using the Cube Map for Refraction



Using the Cube Map for Refraction

```
out vec3 vRefractVector;
out vec3 vReflectVector;
uniform float uEta;

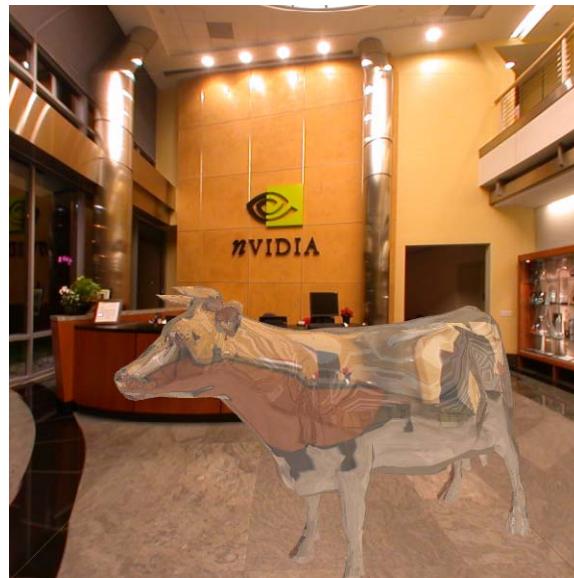
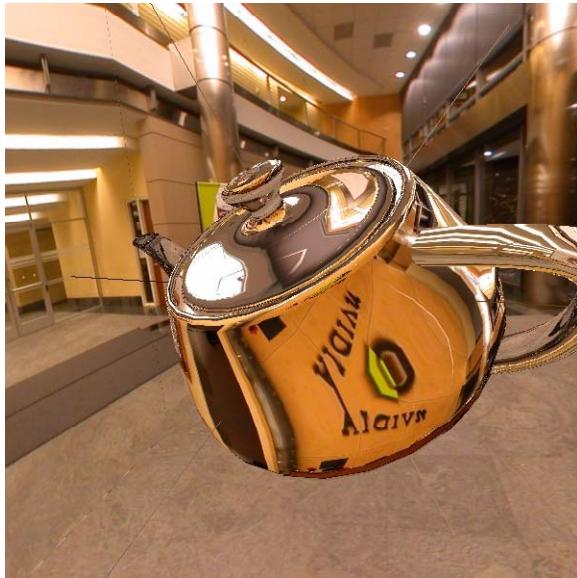
void main( )
{
    vec3 ECposition = vec3( gl_ModelViewMatrix * gl_Vertex );
    vec3 eyeDir = normalize( ECposition ) - vec3(0.,0.,0.);           // vector from eye to pt
    vec3 normal = normalize( gl_NormalMatrix * gl_Normal );
    vRefractVector = refract( eyeDir, normal, uEta );
    vReflectVector = reflect( eyeDir, normal );
    gl_Position = gl_ModelViewProjectionMatrix * gl_Vertex;
}
```

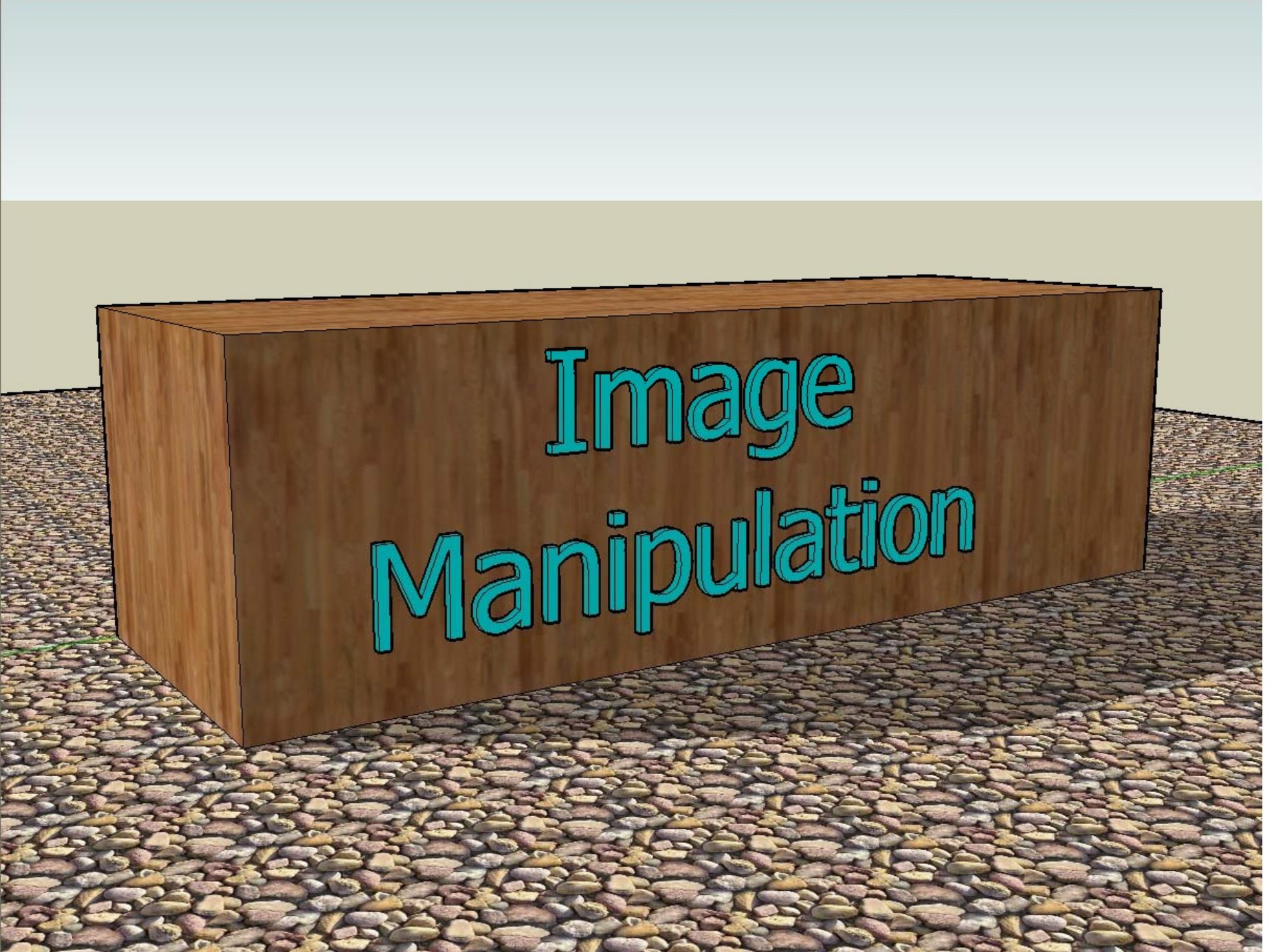
```
in vec3 vReflectVector;
in vec3 vRefractVector;
out vec4 fFragColor;
uniform float uMix;
uniform samplerCube uReflectUnit;
uniform samplerCube uRefractUnit;

void main( )
{
    vec4 WHITE = vec4( 1.,1.,1.,1. );
    vec4 refractcolor = textureCube( uRefractUnit, vRefractVector );
    vec4 reflectcolor = textureCube( uReflectUnit, vReflectVector );
    refractcolor = mix( refractcolor, WHITE, .3 );
    fFragColor = mix( refractcolor, reflectcolor, uMix );
```



A Comparison of Reflection and Refraction



A large, rectangular wooden sign stands on a cobblestone street. The sign has a dark brown wood grain texture. In the center, the words "Image Manipulation" are written in a bold, light blue, sans-serif font. The sign is positioned in front of a light beige building with a dark base.

**Image
Manipulation**

Image Basics

Treat the image as a texture and read it into the fragment shader

To get from the current texel to a neighboring texel, add $\pm (1./\text{ResS}, 1./\text{ResT})$ to the current (S, T)

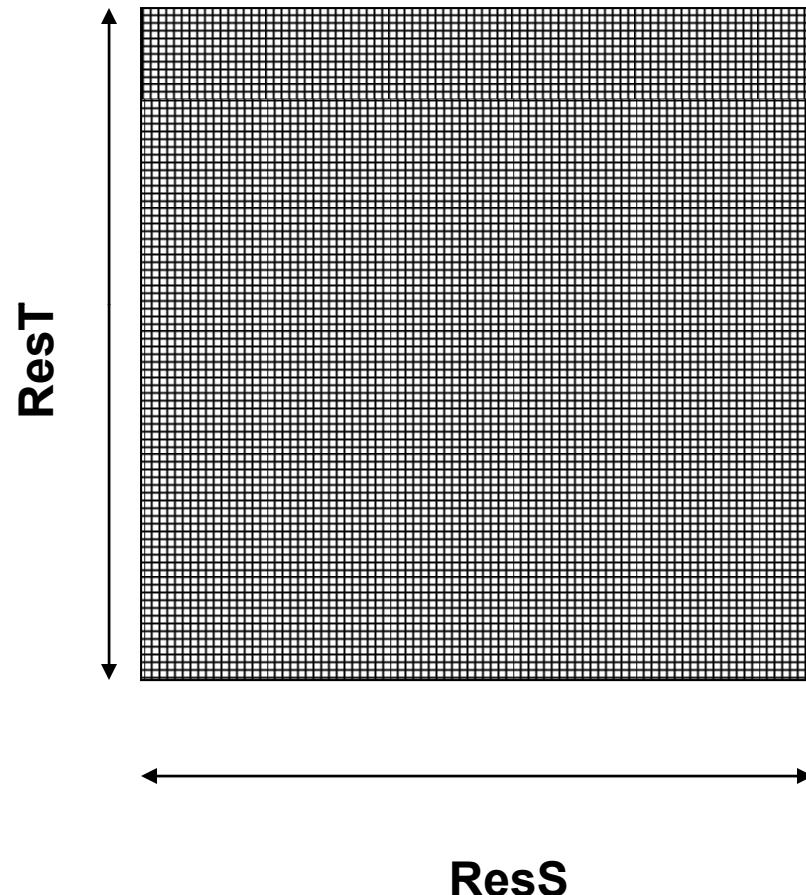


Image Negative

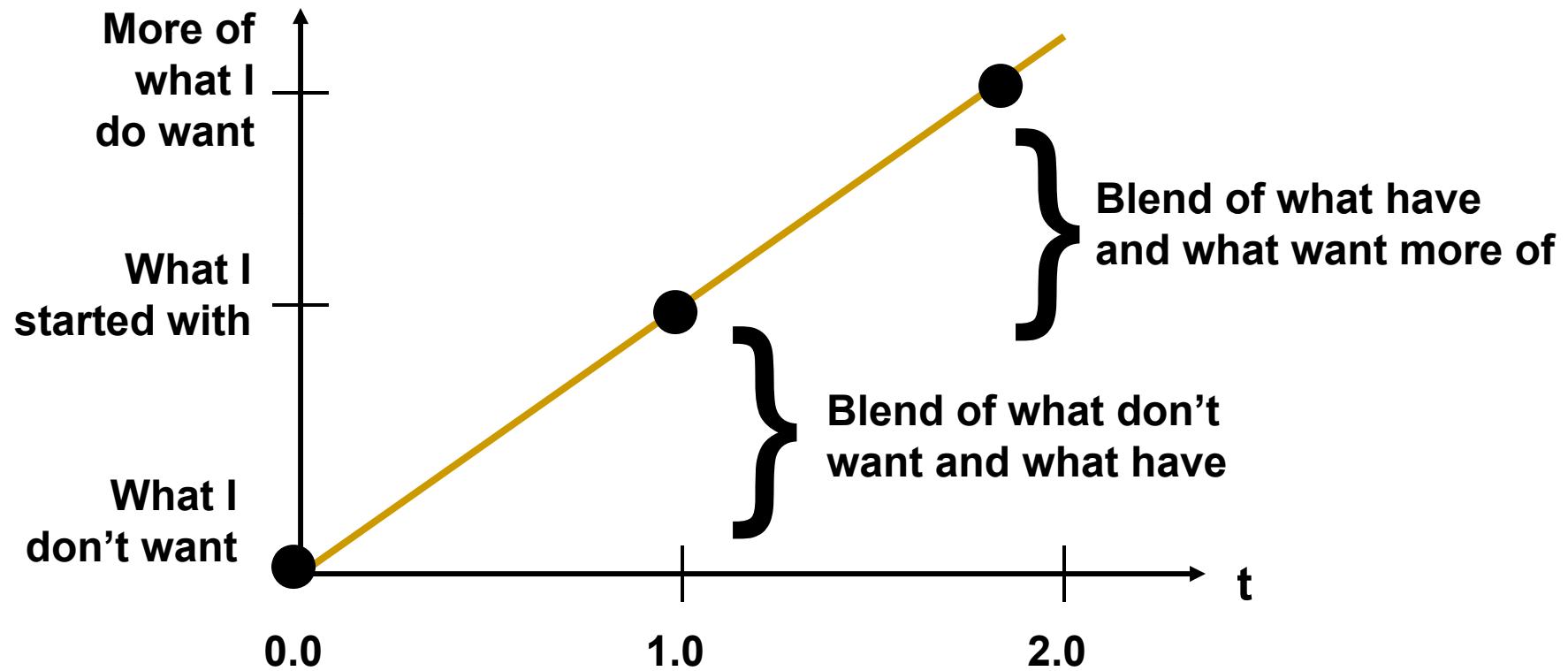


```
in vec2 vST;
out vec4 fFragColor;
uniform sampler2D ulmageUnit;
uniform float uT;

void main()
{
    vec2 st = vST;
    vec3 irgb = texture2D( ulmageUnit, st ).rgb;
    vec3 neg = vec3( 1.,1.,1. ) - irgb;
    fFragColor = vec4( mix( irgb, neg, uT ), 1. );
}
```

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Image Un-Masking: Sometimes it's easier to ask for what you *don't* want then asking for what you *do* want !



$$I_{out} = (1.-t)*I_{dontwant} + t*I_{in}$$

Brightness

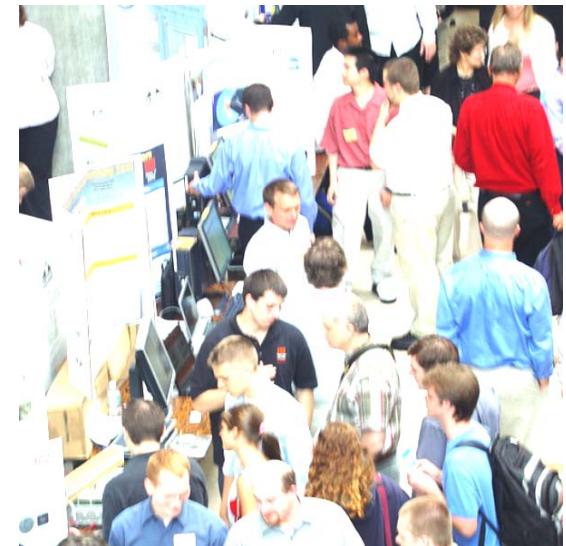
```
I dontwant = vec3( 0., 0., 0.);
```



T = 0.



T = 1.



T = 2.



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Contrast

```
I_dontwant = vec3( 0.5, 0.5, 0.5 );
```



T = 0.



T = 1.



T = 2.



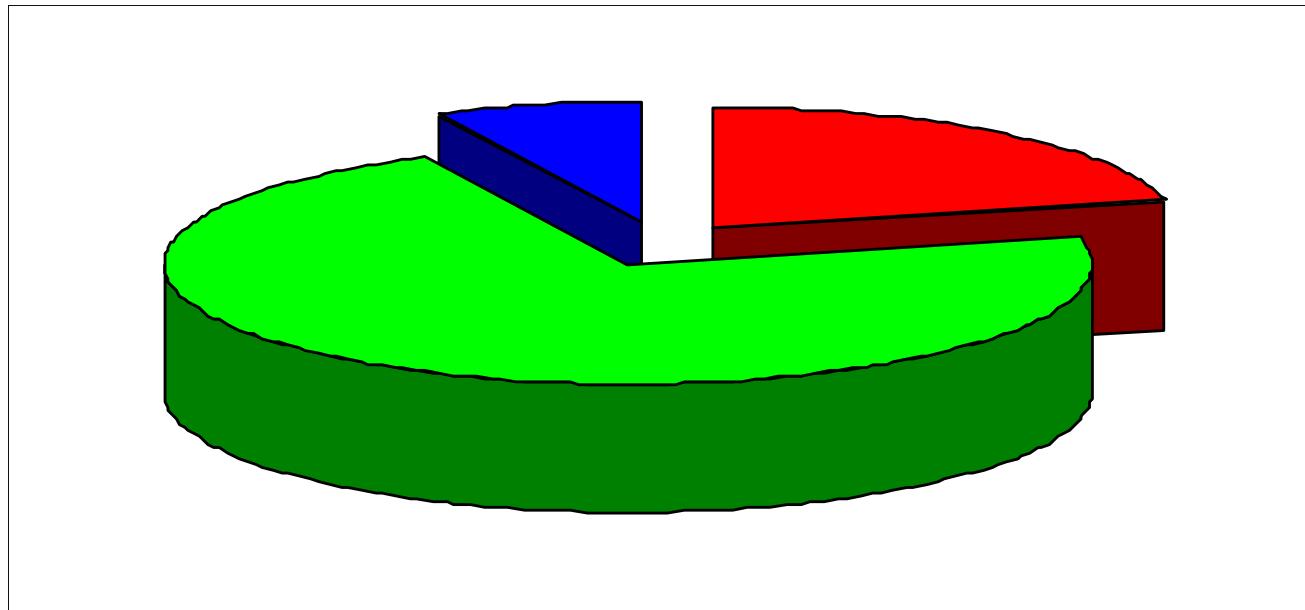
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HDTV Luminance Standard

Luminance = 0.2125*Red + 0.7154*Green + 0.0721*Blue



Saturation

```
I_dontwant = vec3( luminance, luminance, luminance );
```



$T = 0.$



$T = 1.$



$T = 3.$



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Blur

Blur Convolution:

$$B = \frac{1}{16} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 2 & 4 & 2 \\ 1 & 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$



Sharpening

Blur Convolution:

$$B = \frac{1}{16} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 2 & 4 & 2 \\ 1 & 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{I}_{\text{dontwant}} = \mathbf{I}_{\text{blur}}$$



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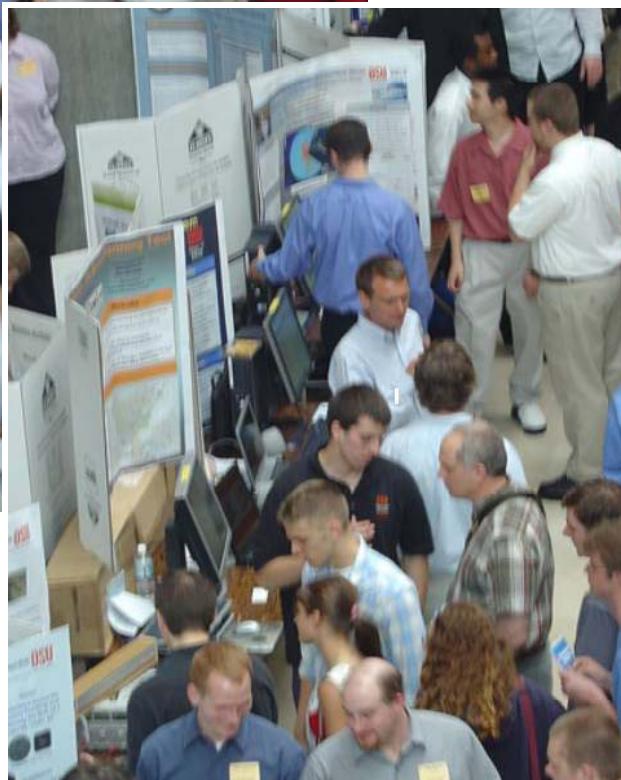
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Sharpening



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T = 1.



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Sharpening

frag file

```
in vec2 vST;
out vec4 fFragColor;
uniform sampler2D uImageUnit, uBeforeUnit, uAfterUnit;
uniform float uAng;
uniform float uT;
uniform float uResS, uResT;

void main()
{
    vec2 st = vST;

    vec2 stp0 = vec2(1./uResS, 0. );
    vec2 st0p = vec2(0. , 1./uResT);
    vec2 stpp = vec2(1./uResS, 1./uResT);
    vec2 stpm = vec2(1./uResS, -1./uResT);
    vec3 i00 = texture2D( uImageUnit, st ).rgb;
    vec3 im1m1 = texture2D( uImageUnit, st-stpp ).rgb;
    vec3 ip1p1 = texture2D( uImageUnit, st+stpp ).rgb;
    vec3 im1p1 = texture2D( uImageUnit, st-stpm ).rgb;
    vec3 ip1m1 = texture2D( uImageUnit, st+stpm ).rgb;
    vec3 im10 = texture2D( uImageUnit, st-stp0 ).rgb;
    vec3 ip10 = texture2D( uImageUnit, st+stp0 ).rgb;
    vec3 i0m1 = texture2D( uImageUnit, st-st0p ).rgb;
    vec3 i0p1 = texture2D( uImageUnit, st+st0p ).rgb;
    vec3 target = vec3(0.,0.,0.);
    target += 1.* (im1m1+ip1m1+ip1p1+im1p1);
    target += 2.* (im10+ip10+i0m1+i0p1);
    target += 4.* (i00);
    target /= 16.;
    fFragColor = vec4( mix( target, irgb, uT ), 1. );
```



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Edge Detection

Horizontal and Vertical Sobel Convolutions:

$$H = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & -2 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$V = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 & 1 \\ -2 & 0 & 2 \\ -1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$S = \sqrt{H^2 + V^2} \quad \Theta = \text{atan2}(V, H)$$



Edge Detection

```
vec2 stp0 = vec2(1./uResS, 0. );
vec2 st0p = vec2(0.      , 1./uResT);
vec2 stpp = vec2(1./uResS, 1./uResT);
vec2 stpm = vec2(1./uResS, -1./uResT);
float i00   = dot( texture2D( uImageUnit, st ).rgb, vec3(0.2125,0.7154,0.0721) );
float im1m1 = dot( texture2D( uImageUnit, st-stpp ).rgb, vec3(0.2125,0.7154,0.0721) );
float ip1p1 = dot( texture2D( uImageUnit, st+stpp ).rgb, vec3(0.2125,0.7154,0.0721) );
float im1p1 = dot( texture2D( uImageUnit, st-stpm ).rgb, vec3(0.2125,0.7154,0.0721) );
float ip1m1 = dot( texture2D( uImageUnit, st+stpm ).rgb, vec3(0.2125,0.7154,0.0721) );
float im10  = dot( texture2D( uImageUnit, st-stp0 ).rgb, vec3(0.2125,0.7154,0.0721) );
float ip10  = dot( texture2D( ImageUnit, st+stp0 ).rgb, vec3(0.2125,0.7154,0.0721) );
float i0m1  = dot( texture2D( uImageUnit, st-st0p ).rgb, vec3(0.2125,0.7154,0.0721) );
float i0p1  = dot( texture2D( uImageUnit, st+st0p ).rgb, vec3(0.2125,0.7154,0.0721) );
float h = -1.*im1p1 - 2.*i0p1 - 1.*ip1p1 + 1.*im1m1 + 2.*i0m1 + 1.*ip1m1;
float v = -1.*im1m1 - 2.*im10 - 1.*im1p1 + 1.*ip1m1 + 2.*ip10 + 1.*ip1p1;

float mag = sqrt( h*h + v*v );
vec3 target = vec3( mag,mag,mag );
color = vec4( mix( irgb, target, uT ), 1. );
```



Edge Detection



T = 0.



T = 0.5



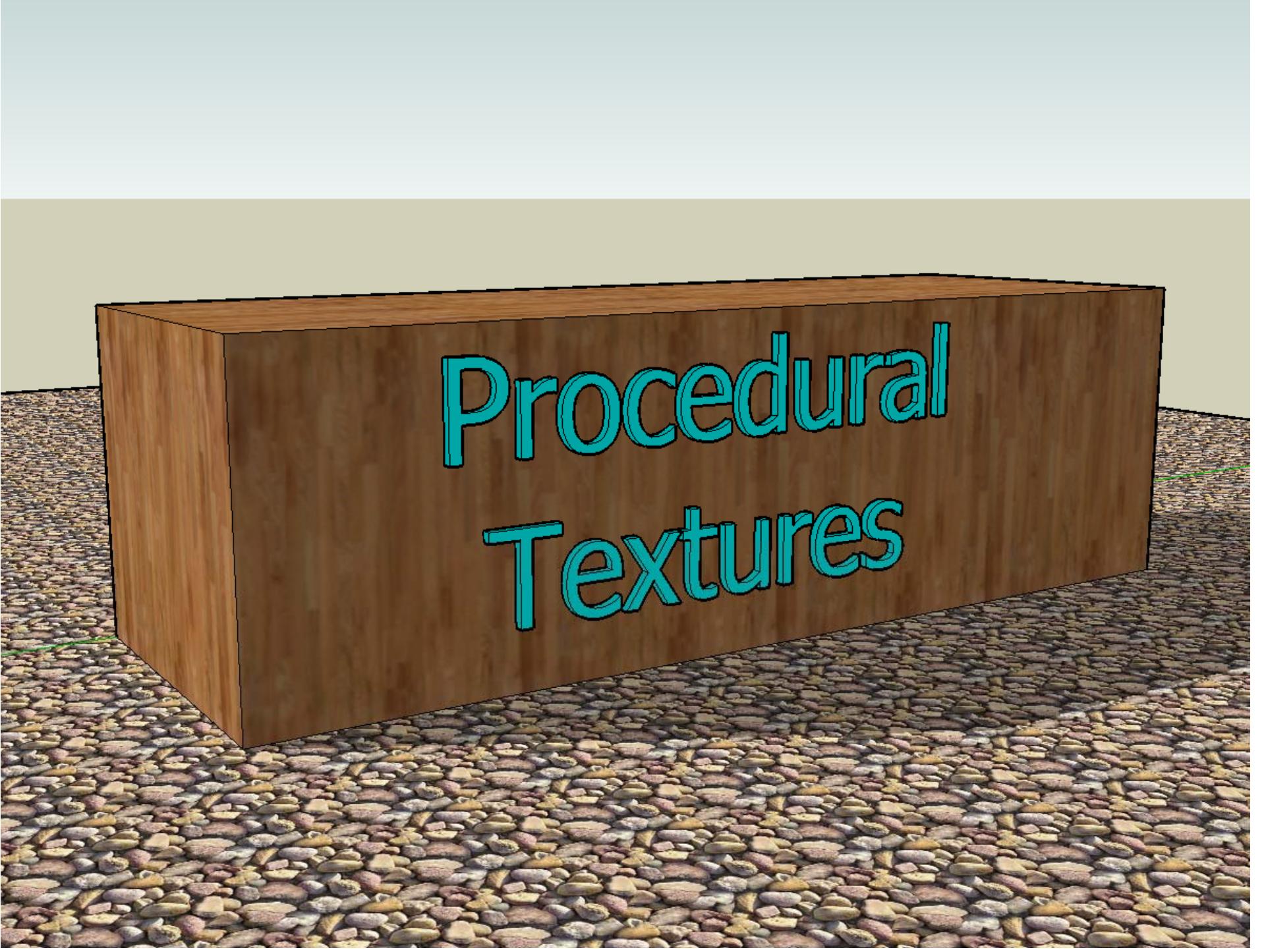
T = 1.



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Procedural
Textures

What if you want multi-colored stripes?



Tol = 0.

And, what if you want
the stripes to smoothly
blend into each other?



Tol > 0.



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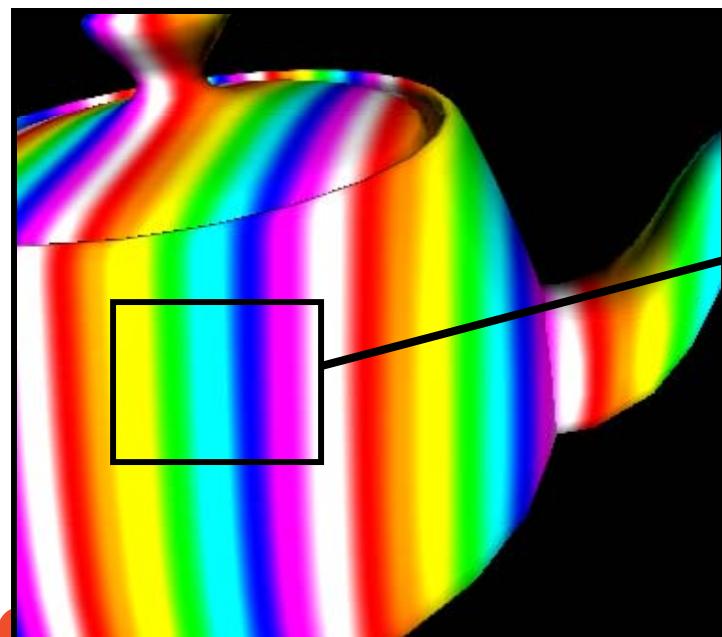
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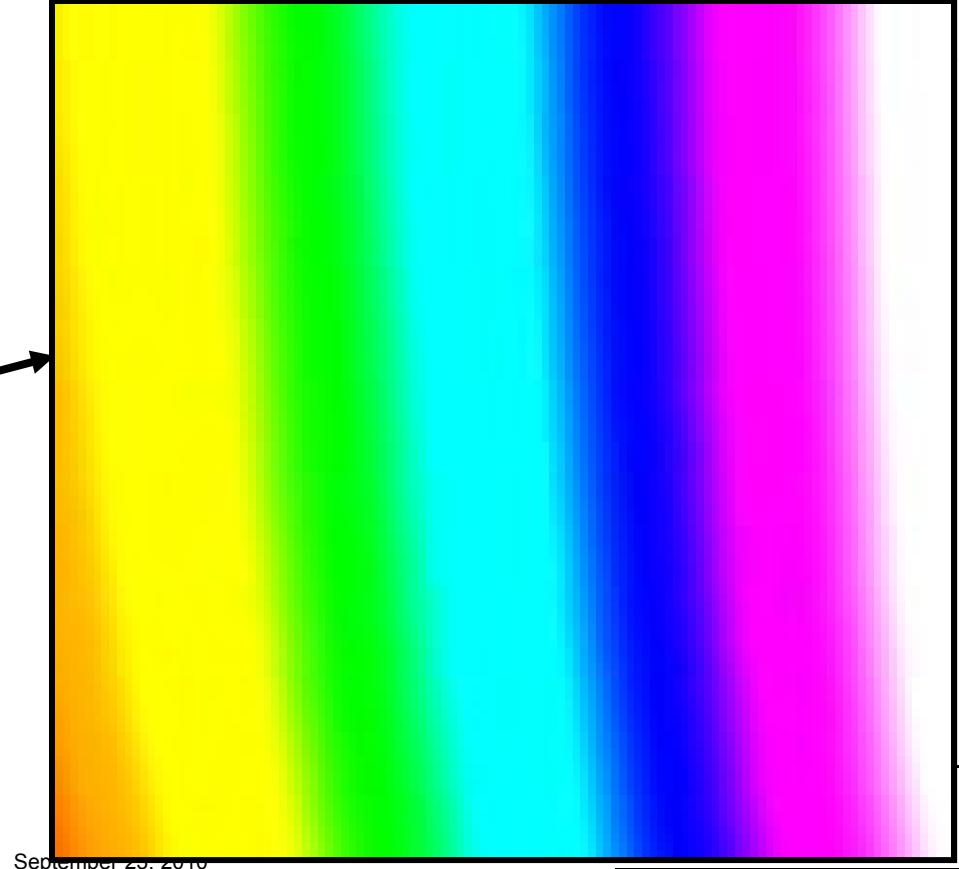
What if you want multi-colored stripes?

This is a good example of a *Procedural Texture*. It is like a texture that is read from a file, but instead is computed as the display is being created.

Procedural Textures are very popular because (1) you can do some amazing things with them, and (2) they don't "run out of texels" like a fixed-size texture would.



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Here's how to do the Colored Stripes

frag file, I

```
in vec3 vMCposition;  
in float vLightIntensity;  
out vec4 fFragColor;  
  
uniform float uA;  
uniform float uTol;  
  
vec4 Red      = vec4( 1., 0., 0., 1. );  
vec4 Orange   = vec4( 1., .5, 0., 1. );  
vec4 Yellow   = vec4( 1., 1., 0., 1. );  
vec4 Green    = vec4( 0., 1., 0., 1. );  
vec4 Cyan     = vec4( 0., 1., 1., 1. );  
vec4 Blue     = vec4( 0., 0., 1., 1. );  
vec4 Magenta  = vec4( 1., 0., 1., 1. );  
vec4 White    = vec4( 1., 1., 1., 1. );  
  
float ONE16    = 1./16.;  
float THREE16   = 3./16.;  
float FIVE16    = 5./16.;  
float SEVEN16   = 7./16.;  
float NINE16    = 9./16.;  
float ELEVEN16  = 11./16.;  
float THIRTEEN16 = 13./16.;  
float FIFTEEN16 = 15./16.;
```



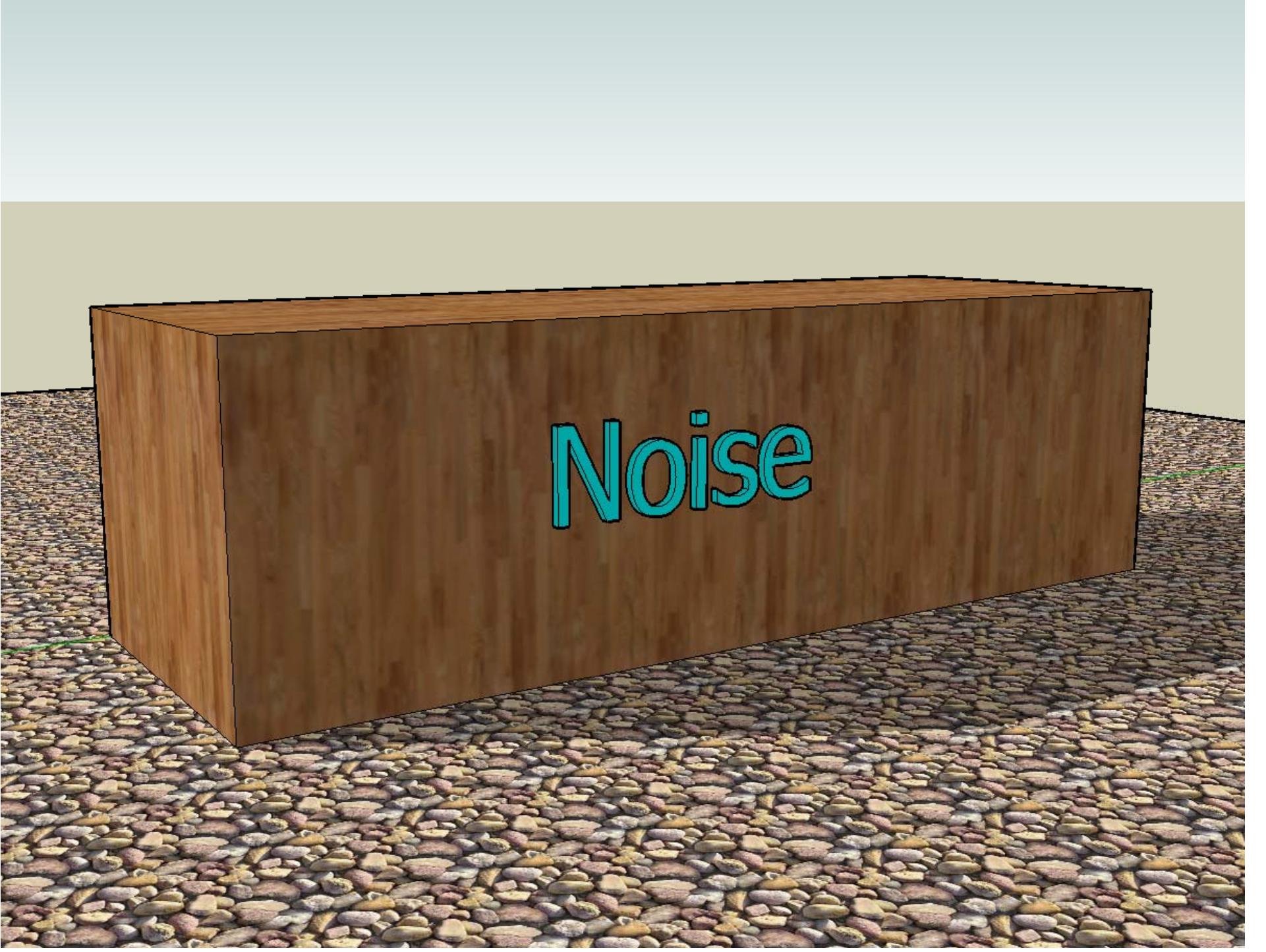
frag file, II

```
void
main( void )
{
    float X = uMCposition.x;
    float Y = uMCposition.y;
    float f = fract( uA*X );
    float t = smoothstep( ONE16 - uTol, ONE16 + uTol, f );
    gfragColor = mix( White, Red, t );

    if( f >= THREE16 - Tol )
    {
        t = smoothstep( THREE16 - Tol, THREE16 + Tol, f );
        fFragColor = mix( Red, Orange, t );
    }
    if( f >= FIVE16 - Tol )
    {
        t = smoothstep( FIVE16 - Tol, FIVE16 + Tol, f );
        fFragColor = mix( Orange, Yellow, t );
    }

    ...
    fFragColor.rgb *= LightIntensity;
}
```





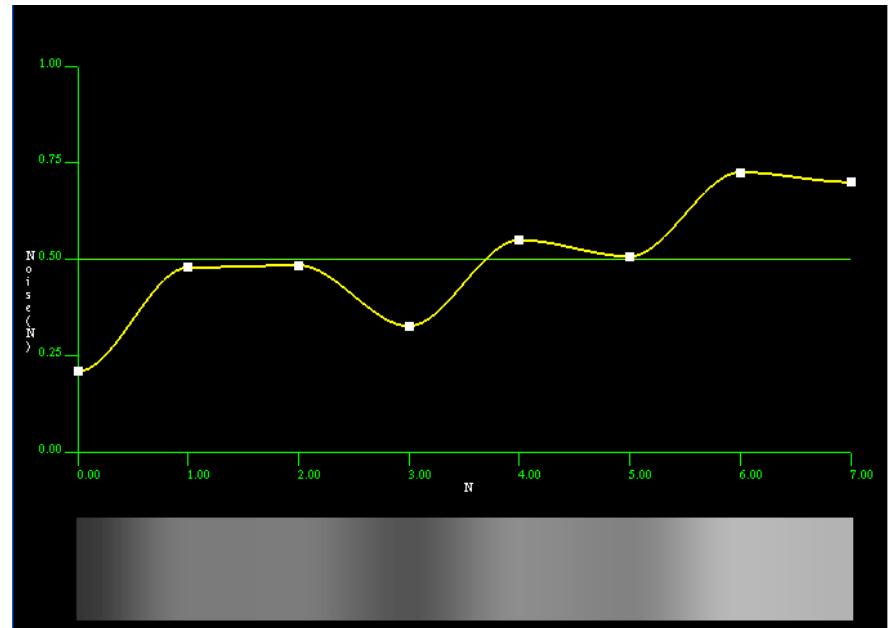
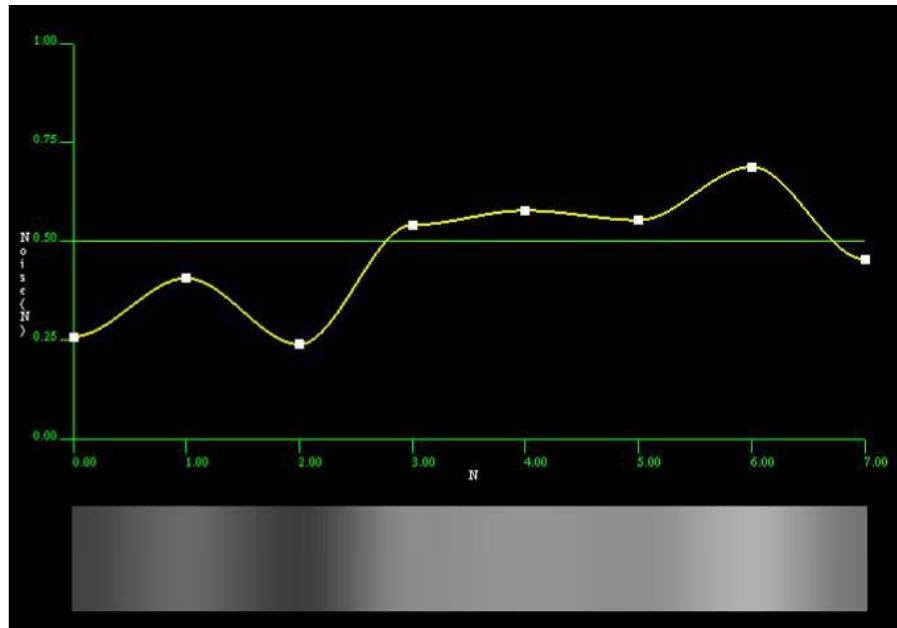
Noise

Noise:

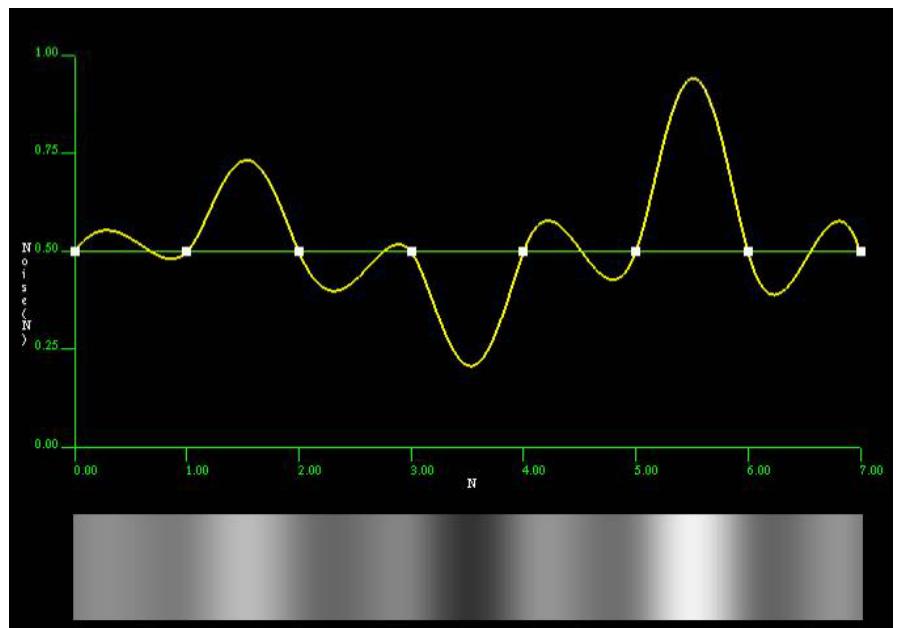
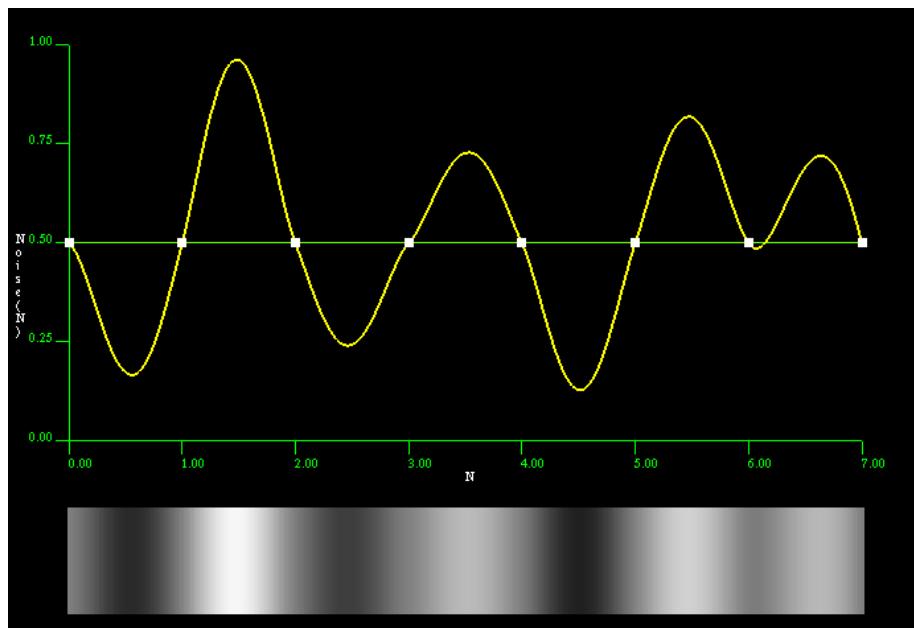
- Can be 1D, 2D, or 3D
- Is a function of input value(s)
- Ranges from -1. to +1. or from 0. to 1.
- Looks random, but really isn't
- Has continuity
- Is repeatable
- Has statistical properties that are translational and rotational invariant



Positional Noise



Gradient Noise



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Coefficients for Noise

$$N(t) = C_{N0}N_0 + C_{N1}N_1 + C_{G0}G_0 + C_{G1}G_1$$

Noise values **Gradients**

$$C_{N0} = 1 - 3t^2 + 2t^3$$

$$C_{N1} = 3t^2 - 2t^3 = 1 - C_{N0}$$

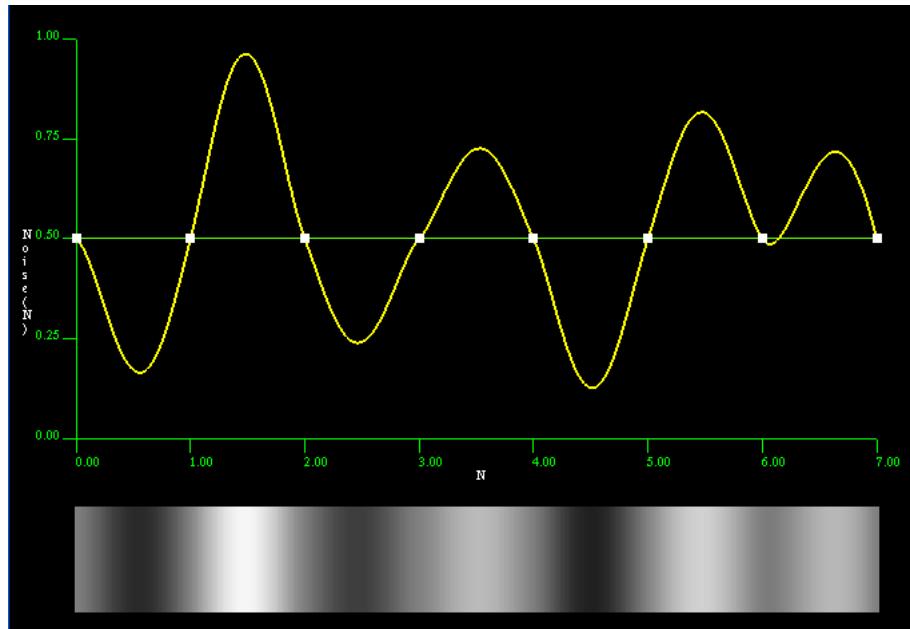
$$C_{G0} = t - 2t^2 + t^3$$

$$C_{G1} = -t^2 + t^3$$

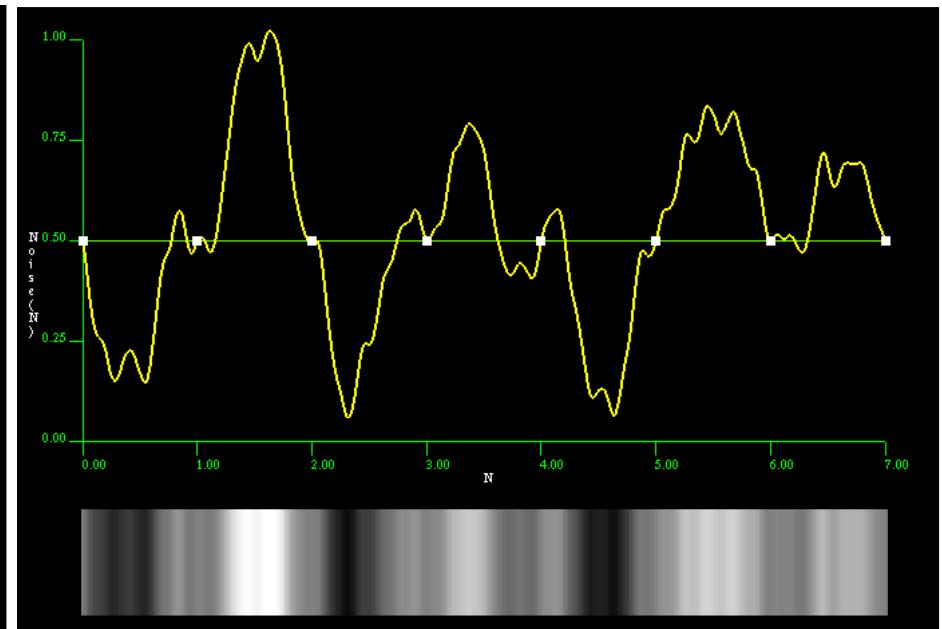


Noise Octaves

Idea: Add multiple noise waves, each one twice the frequency and half the amplitude of the previous one



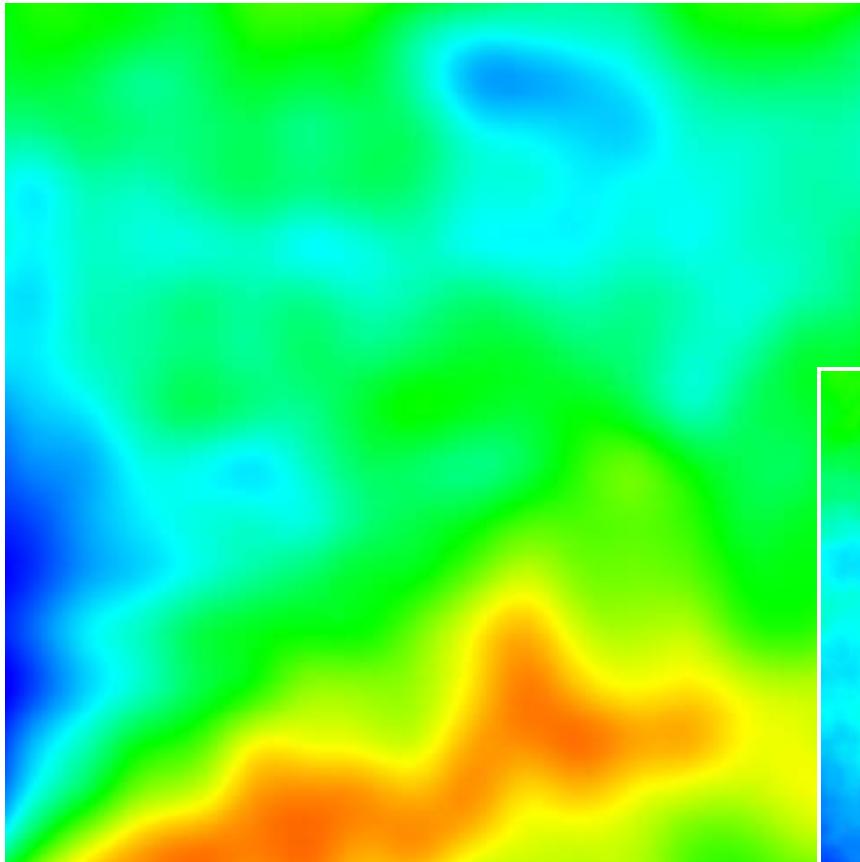
1 Octave



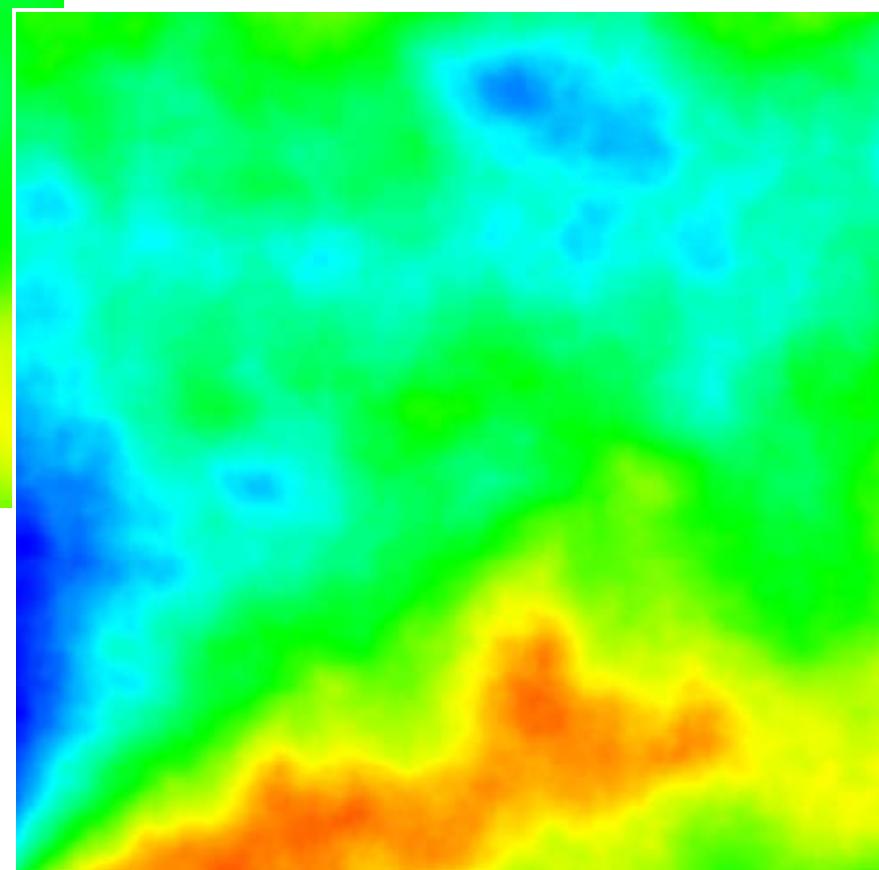
4 Octaves



Image Representation of 2D Noise

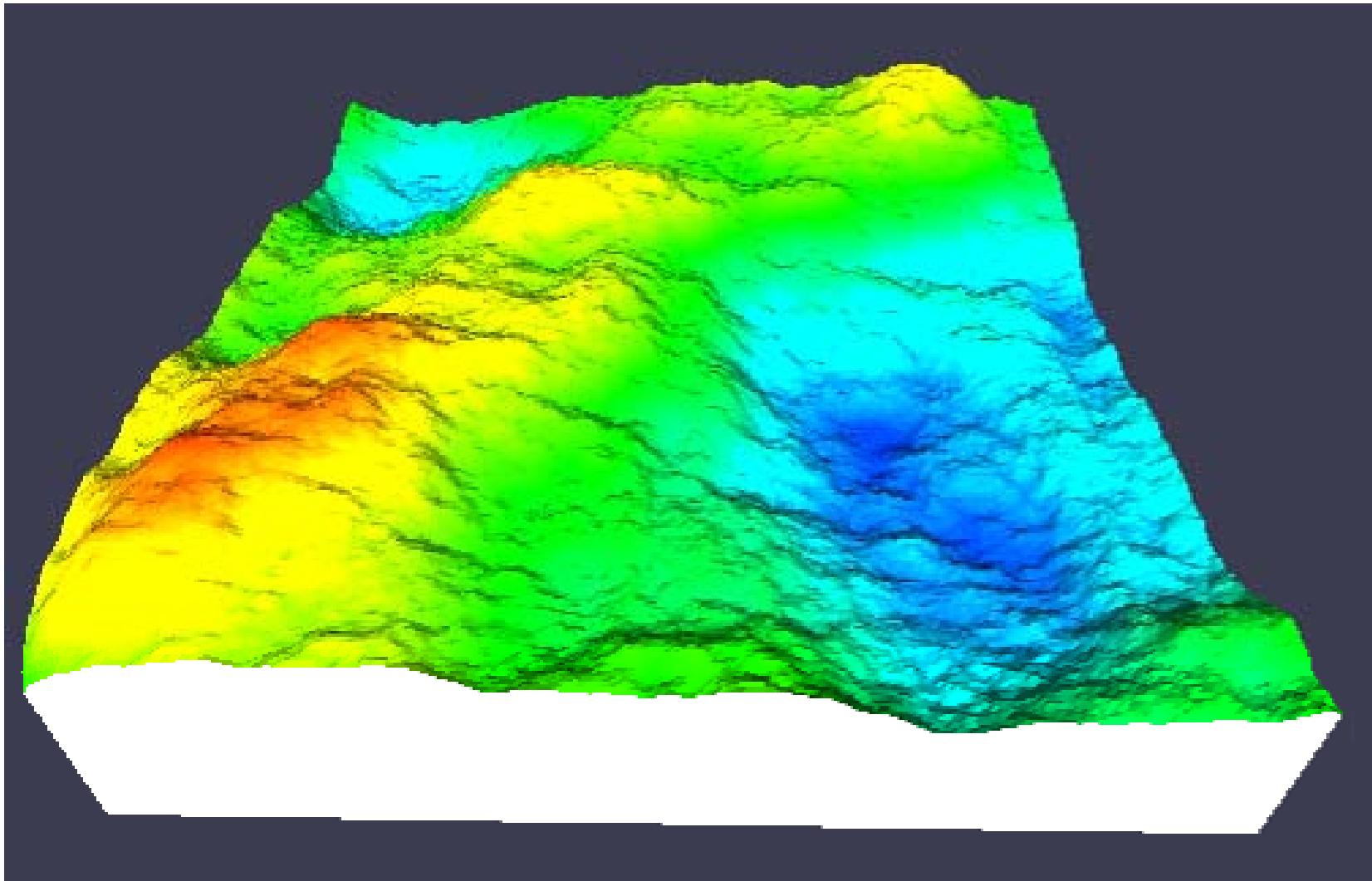


1 Octave



4 Octaves

Surface Representation of 2D Noise

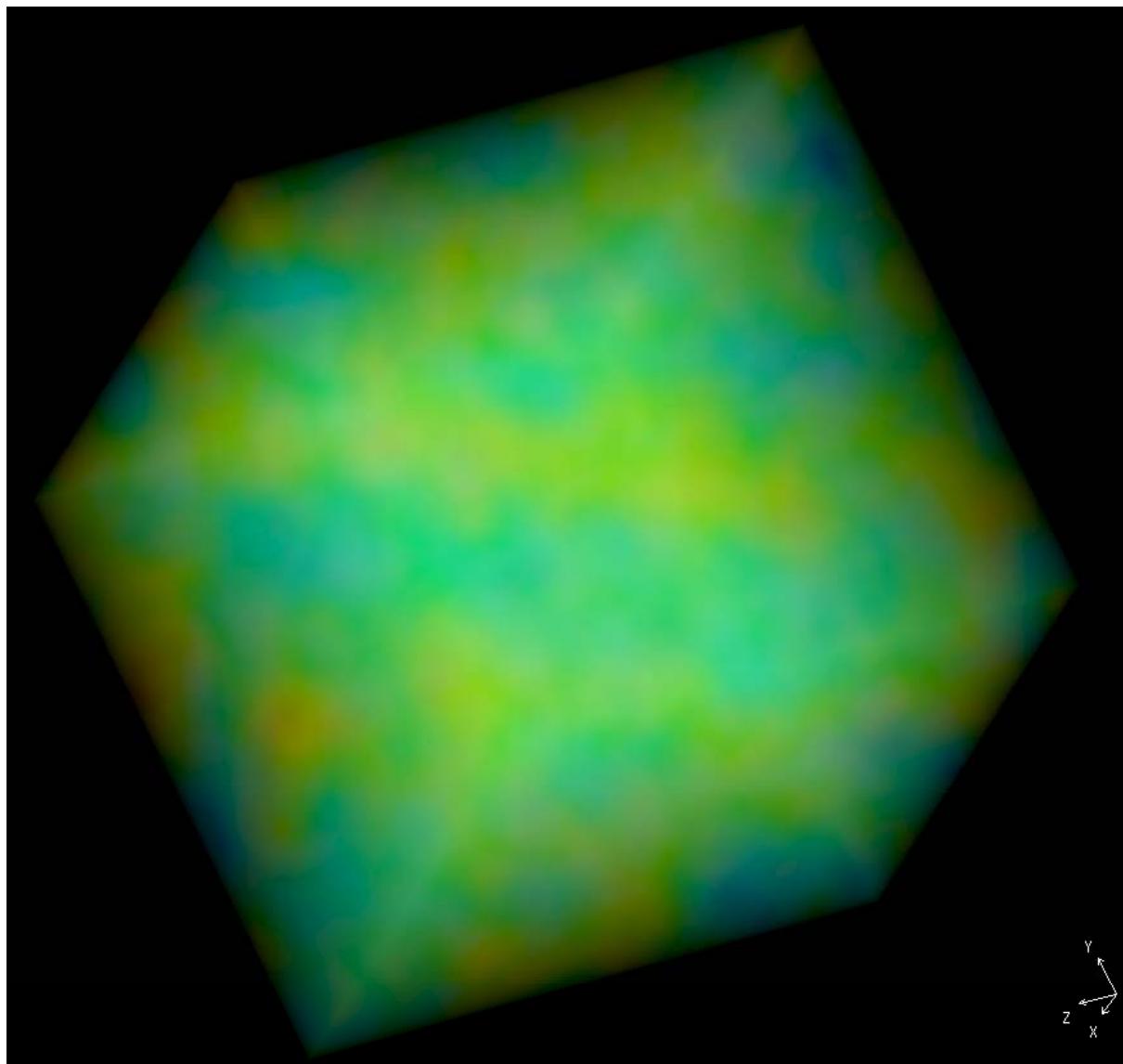


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Volume Rendering of 3D Noise



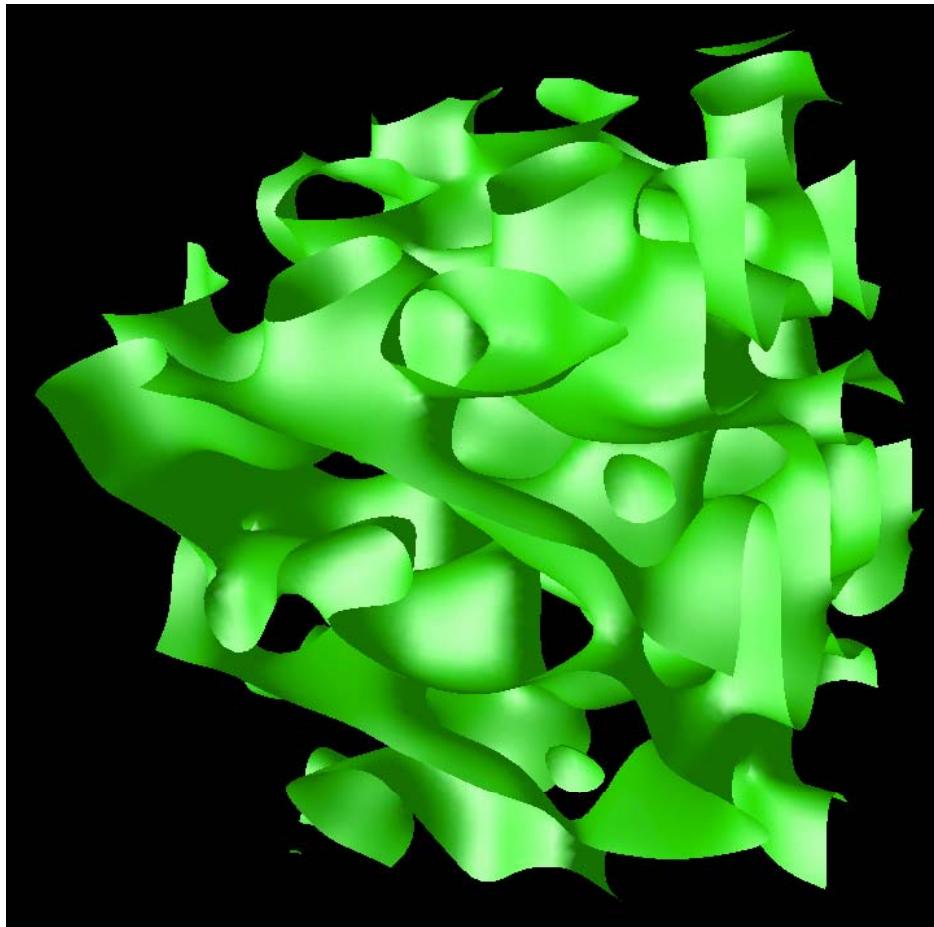
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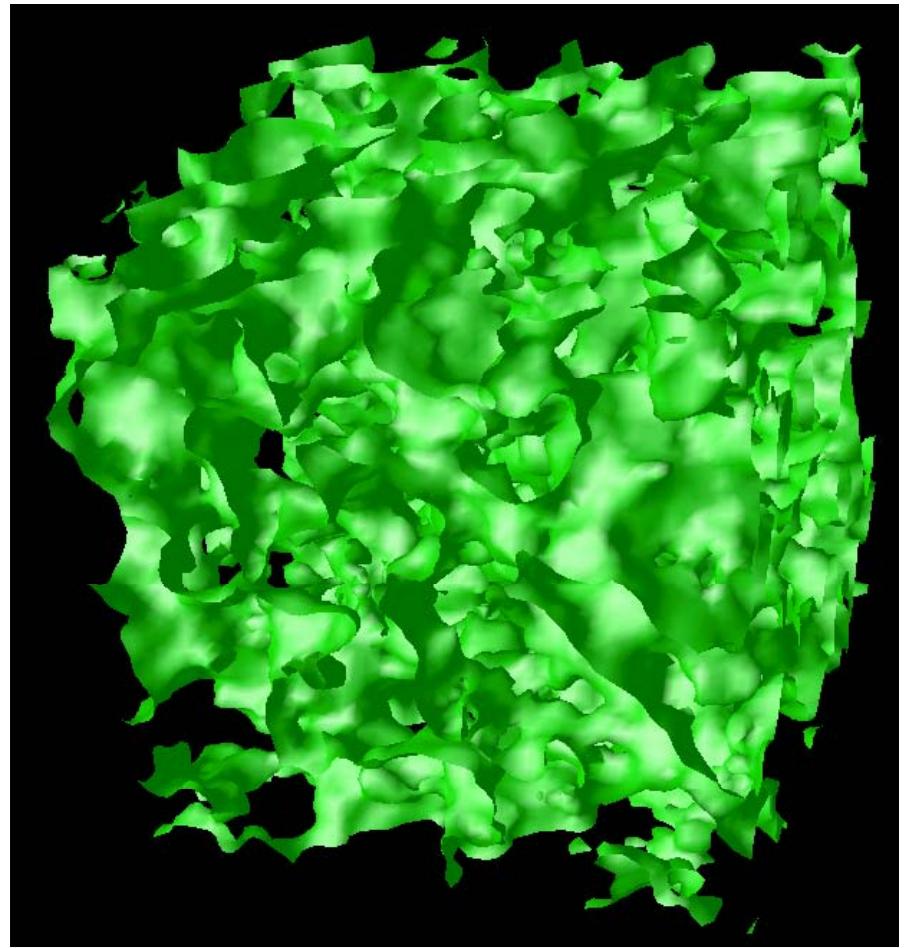
1 Octave

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3D Isosurfaces of 3D Noise



1 Octave



4 Octaves

S^* = Mid-value

Noise Functions

<code>float noise1(genType x)</code>	Returns a 1D noise value based on the input value x . At this time, this function is not available in GLSL.
<code>vec2 noise2(genType x)</code>	Returns a 2D noise value based on the input value x . At this time, this function is not available in GLSL.
<code>vec3 noise3(genType x)</code>	Returns a 3D noise value based on the input value x .
<code>vec4 noise4(genType x)</code>	Returns a 4D noise value based on the input value x .

Note: as of this writing, these functions don't work on all graphics systems!

To compensate, *glman* has a built-in noise texture.



glman has a built-in 3D Noise Texture

glman automatically creates a 3D noise texture and places it into Texture Unit 3.

Your vertex, geometry, or fragment shader can get at it through the pre-created uniform variable called ***uNoise3***.

You can reference it in your shader as:

```
uniform sampler3D uNoise3;  
...  
vec3 stp = ...  
vec4 nv = texture3D( uNoise3, stp );
```



glman has a built-in 3D Noise Texture

The noise texture is a vec4 whose components have separate meanings.

The [0] component is the low frequency noise.

The [1] component is twice the frequency and half the amplitude of the [0] component, and so on for the [2] and [3] components.

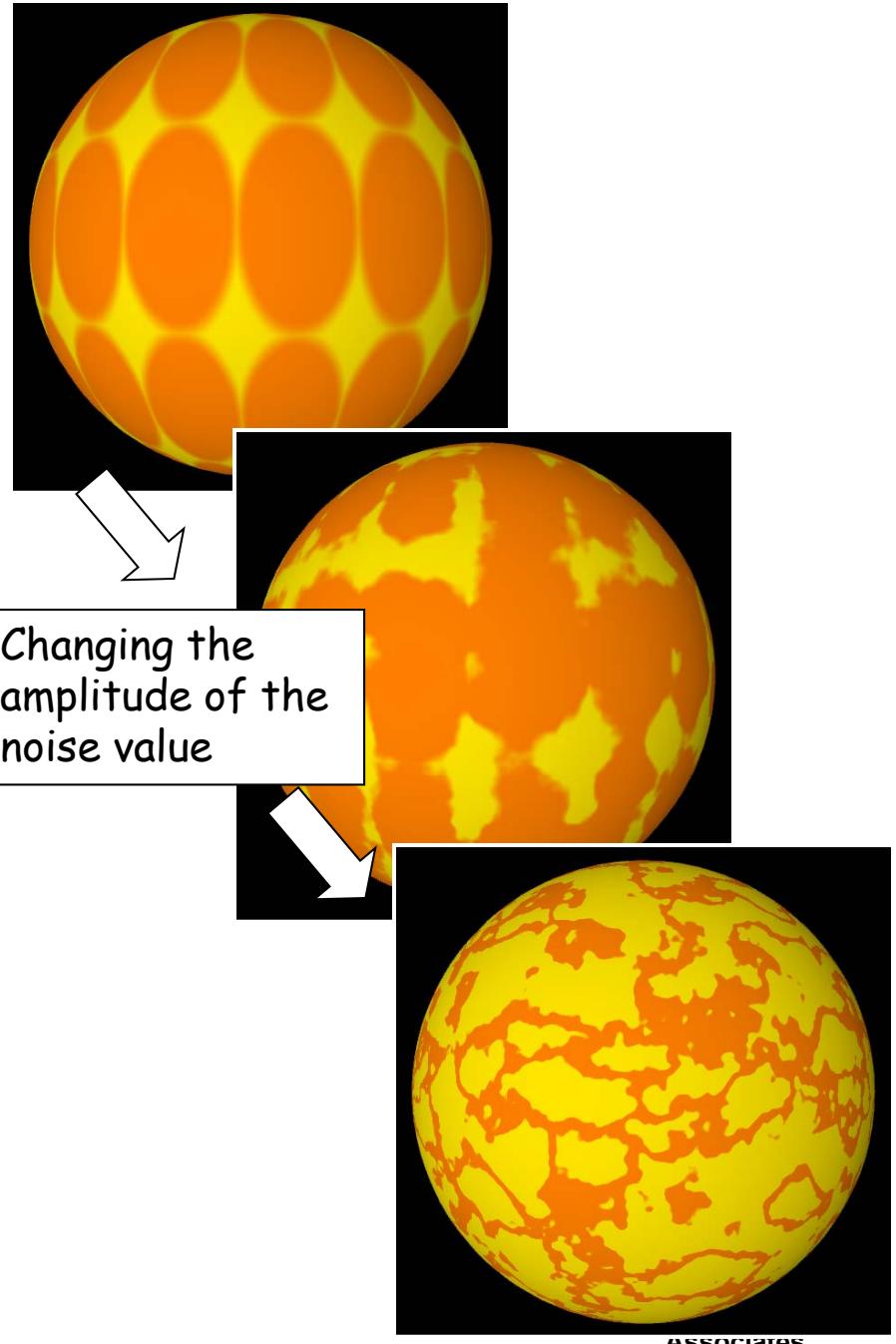
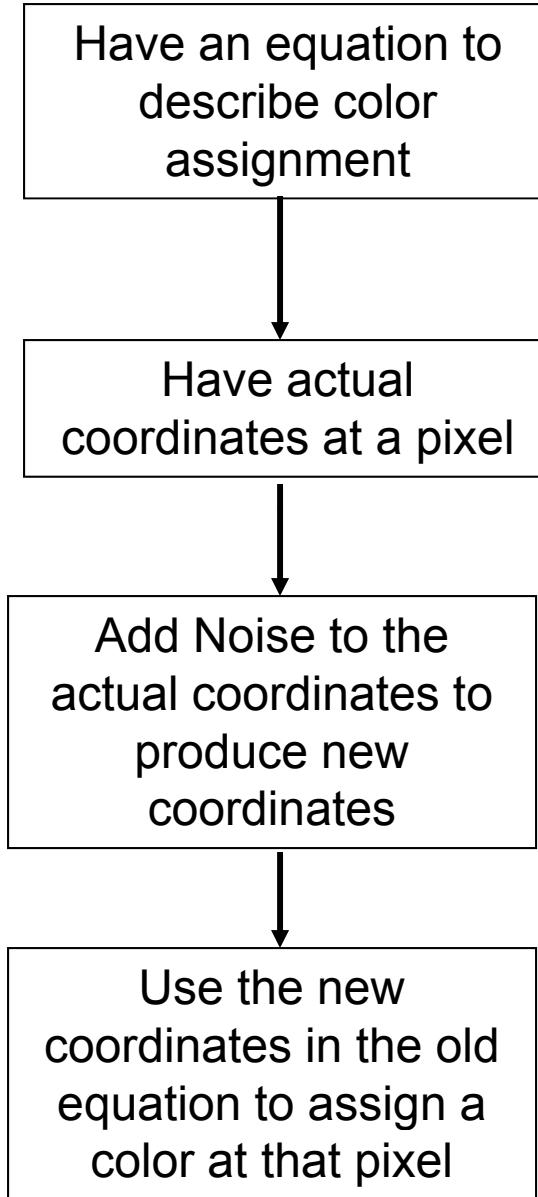
Each component is centered around a value of .5, so that if you want a plus-or-minus effect, subtract .5 from each component. To get a nice four-octave noise value between 0 and 1 (useful for noisy mixing), add up all four components, subtract 1 and divide the result by 2, as shown in the following table and GLSL code::

Component	Term	Term Range
0	<code>nv[0]</code>	$0.5 \pm .5000$
1	<code>nv[1]</code>	$0.5 \pm .2500$
2	<code>nv[2]</code>	$0.5 \pm .1250$
3	<code>nv[3]</code>	$0.5 \pm .0675$
	sum	$2.0 \pm \sim 1.0$
	sum - 1	$1.0 \pm \sim 1.0$
	$(\text{sum} - 1) / 2$	$0.5 \pm \sim 0.5$

```
float sum = nv[0] + nv[1] + nv[2] + nv[3];           // range is 1. -> 3.  
sum = ( sum - 1. ) / 2.;                            // range is now 0. -> 1.
```



How to Apply Noise



frag file, I

```
in vec3 vMCposition;           // model coord position from the vertex shader
in float vLightIntensity;      // light intensity from the vertex shader
in vec2 vST;                  // texture coords from the vertex shader

out vec4 fFragColor;

uniform float uAd;
uniform float uBd;
uniform float uNoiseAmp;
uniform float uNoiseFreq;
uniform float uAlpha;
uniform float uTol;
uniform sampler3D uNoise3;
uniform float uBlend;

const vec3 ORANGE = vec3( 1., .5, 0. );
const vec3 YELLOW = vec3( 1., .9, 0.);
```



frag file, II

```
void
main( void )
{
    vec4 noisevec = texture3D( uNoise3, uNoiseFreq*vMCposition );
    float n = noisevec[0] + noisevec[1] + noisevec[2] + noisevec[3];      // 1. -> 3.
    n = ( n - 2. );           // -1. -> 1.

    vec2 st = vST;
    st.s *= 2.;

    float Ar = uAd / 2.;
    float Br = uBd / 2.;

    int numinu = int( st.s / uAd );
    int numinv = int( st.t / uBd );

    vec3 TheColor = YELLOW;
    float alfa = 1.;

    st.s -= float(numinu) * uAd;
    st.t -= float(numinv) * uBd;
    vec3 upvp = vec3( st, 0. );
    vec3 cntr = vec3( Ar, Br, 0. );
    vec3 delta = upvp - cntr;
    float oldrad = length( delta );
    float newrad = oldrad + uNoiseAmp*n;
```

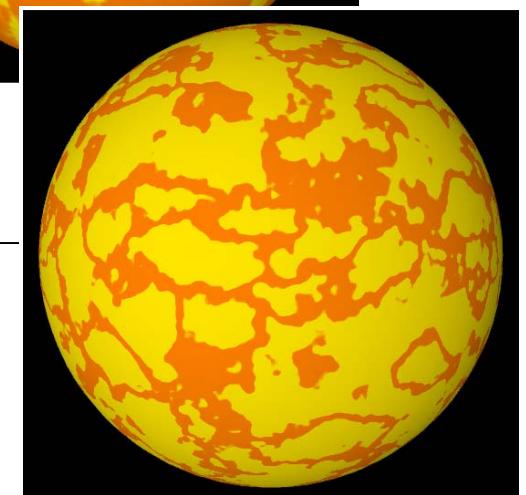
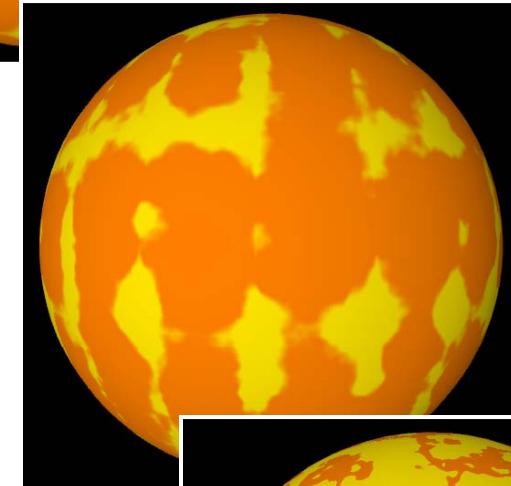
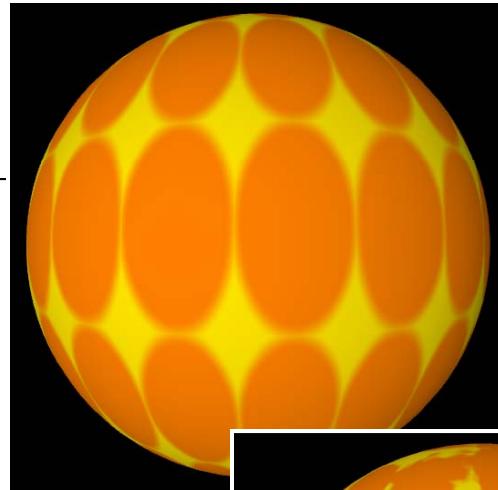


frag file, III

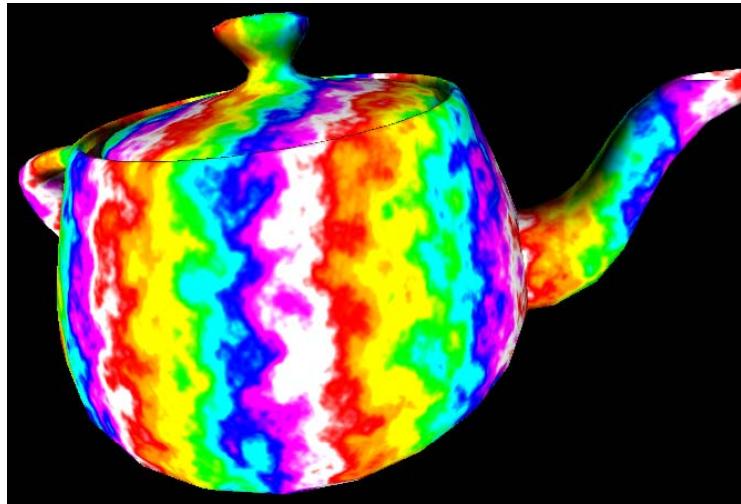
```
delta = delta * newrad / oldrad;
float du = delta.x/Ar;
float dv = delta.y/Br;
float d = du*du + dv*dv;

if( abs( d - 1. ) <= uTol )
{
    float t = smoothstep( 1.-Tuol, 1.+uTol, d );
    TheColor = mix( ORANGE, YELLOW, t );
}
if( d <= 1.-uTol )
{
    TheColor = ORANGE;
}
if( d >= 1.+uTol )
{
    alfa = uAlpha;
    if( alfa == 0. )
        discard;
}

fFragColor = vec4( vLightIntensity*TheColor, alfa );
```



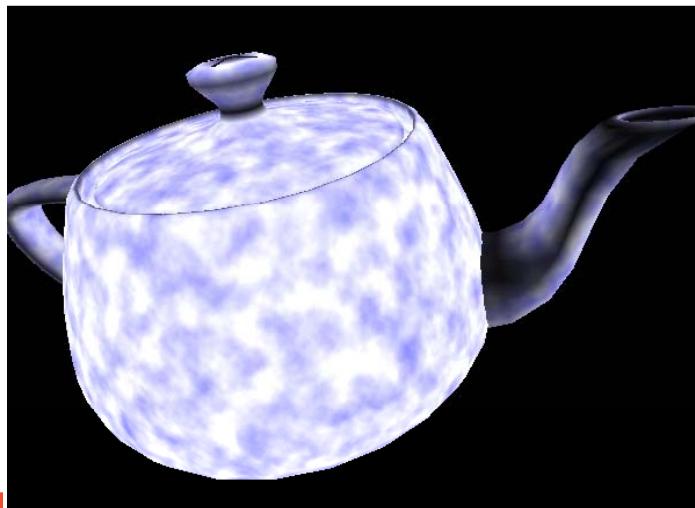
Noise Examples



More Interesting Stripe Blending



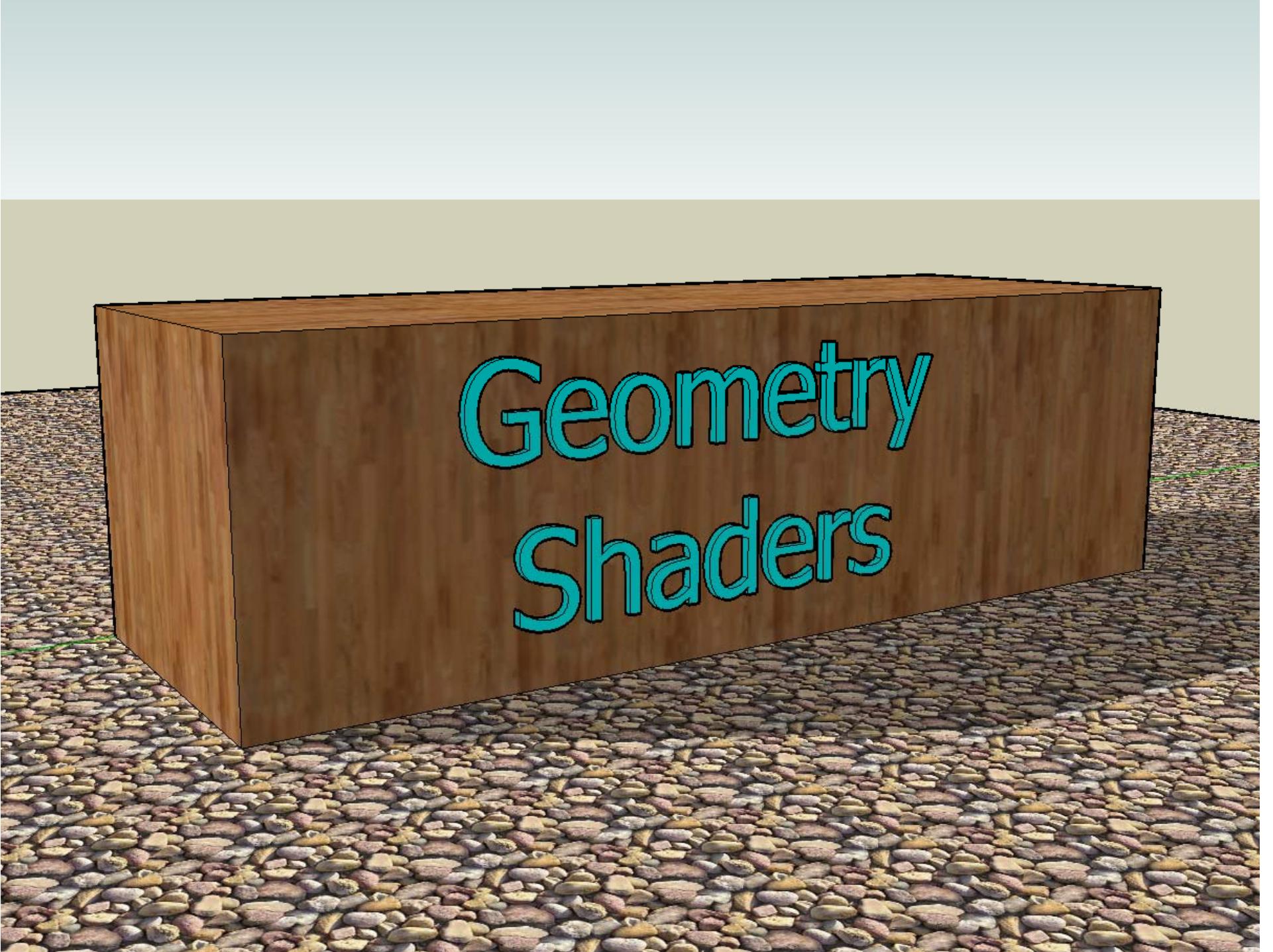
Fire Effect



Cloud Effect



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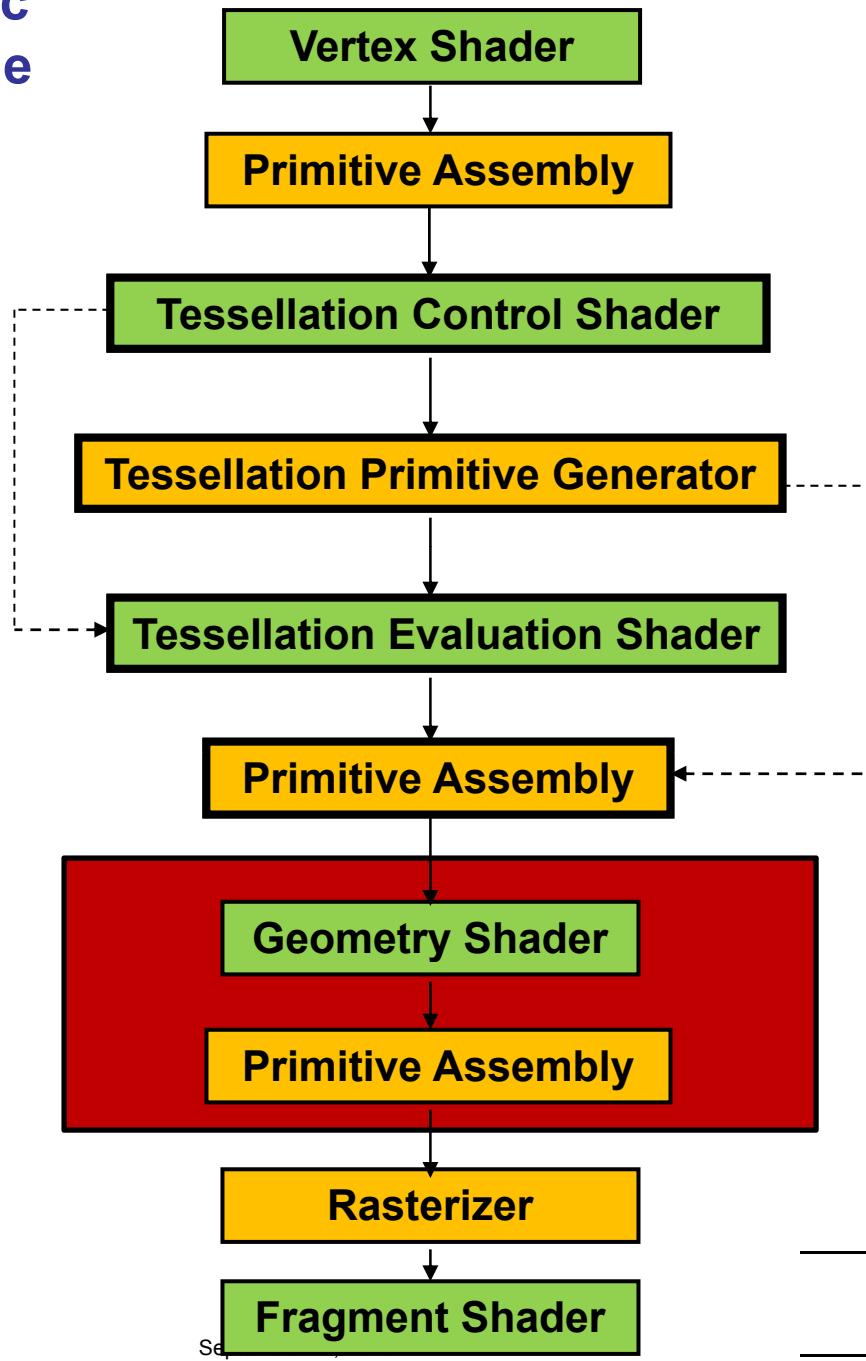
A Shaders View of the Basic Computer Graphics Pipeline



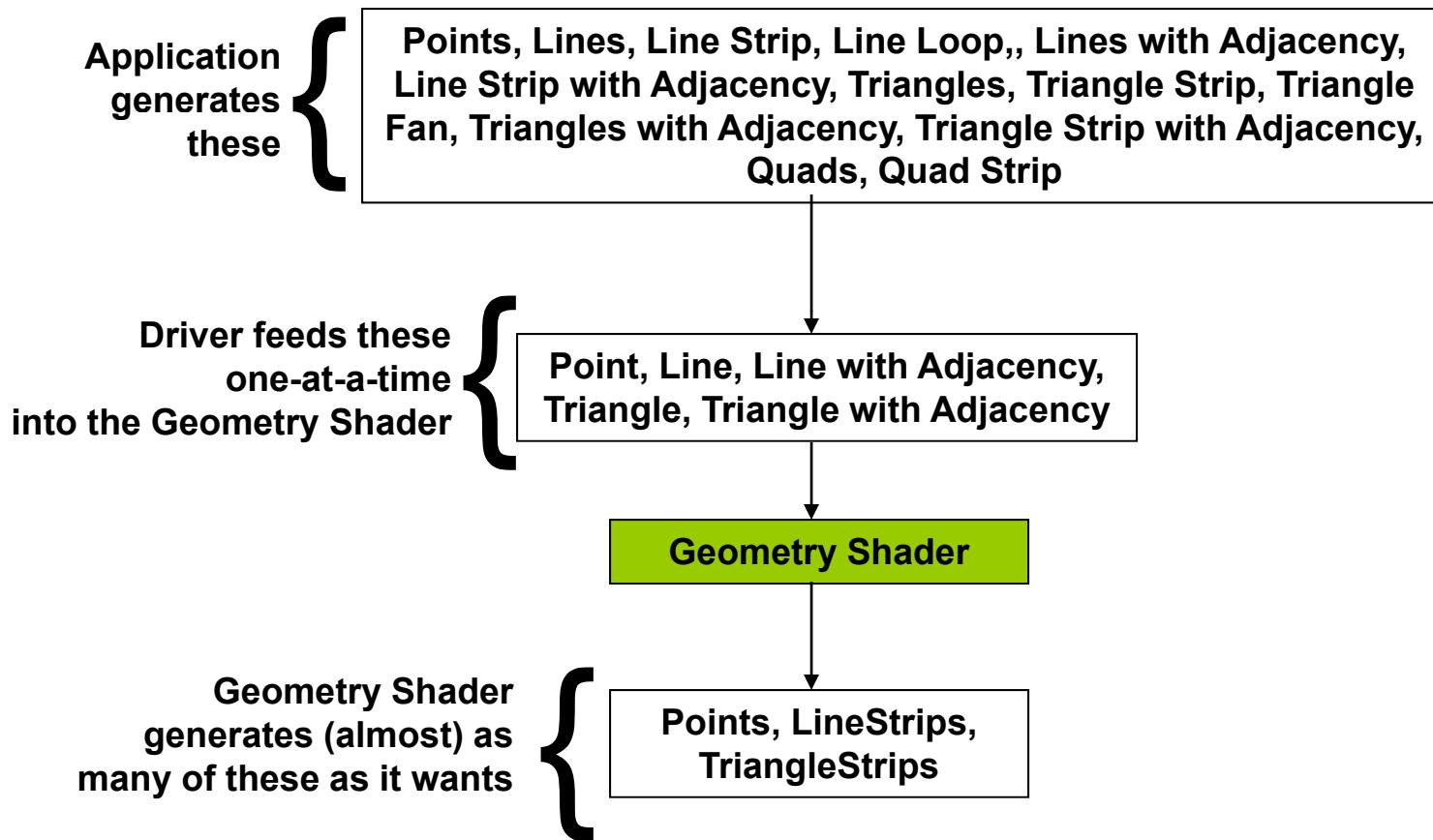
= Fixed Function



= Programmable



The Geometry Shader: What Does it Do?



There needn't be any correlation between Geometry Shader input type and Geometry Shader output type. Points can generate triangles, triangles can generate triangle strips, etc.

Additional Arguments are Now Available for glBegin():

GL_LINES_ADJACENCY_EXT

GL_LINE_STRIP_ADJACENCY_EXT

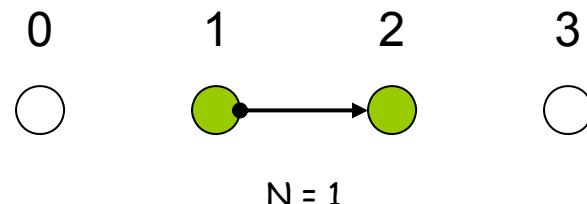
GL_TRIANGLES_ADJACENCY_EXT

GL_TRIANGLE_STRIP_ADJACENCY_EXT



New Adjacency Primitives

Lines with Adjacency



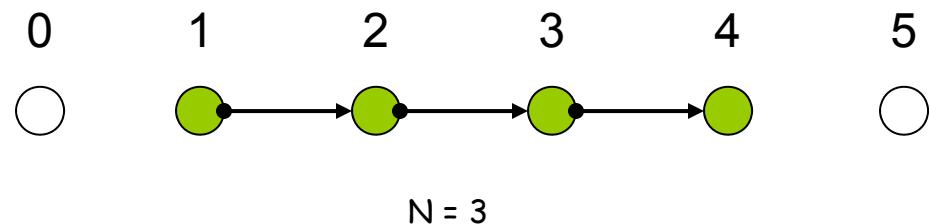
$4N$ vertices are given.

(where N is the number of line segments to draw).

A line segment is drawn between #1 and #2.

Vertices #0 and #3 are there to provide adjacency information.

Line Strip with Adjacency



$N+3$ vertices are given

(where N is the number of line segments to draw).

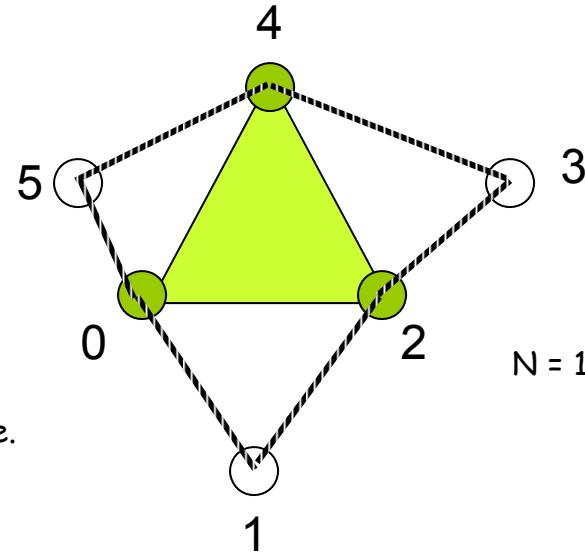
A line segment is drawn between #1 and #2, #2 and #3, ..., # N and # $N+1$.

Vertices #0 and # $N+2$ are there to provide adjacency information.

New Adjacency Primitives

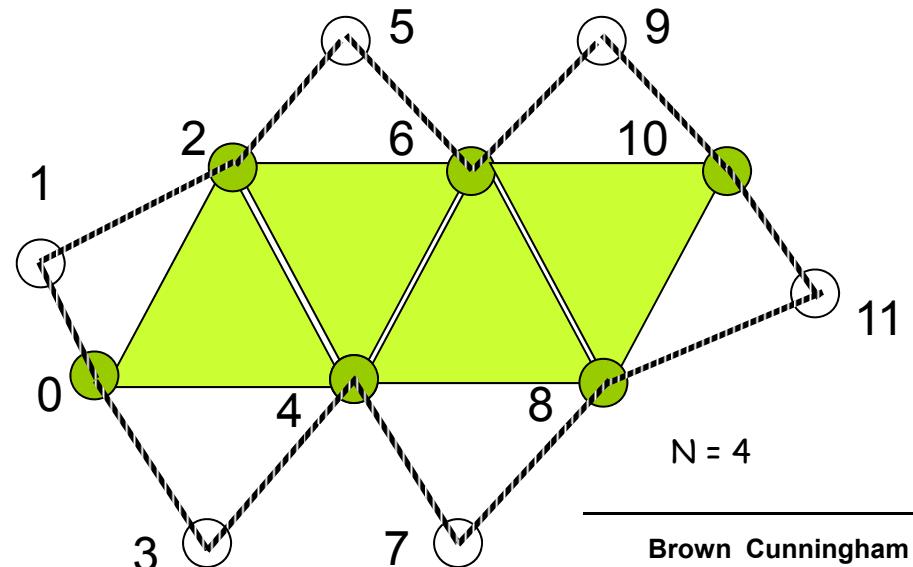
Triangles with Adjacency

6N vertices are given
(where N is the number of triangles to draw).
Points 0, 2, and 4 define the triangle.
Points 1, 3, and 5 tell where adjacent triangles are.



Triangle Strip with Adjacency

4+2N vertices are given
(where N is the number of triangles to draw).
Points 0, 2, 4, 6, 8, 10, ... define the triangles.
Points 1, 3, 5, 7, 9, 11, ... tell where adjacent triangles are.



If a Vertex Shader Writes Variables as:

**then the Geometry Shader
will Read Them as:**

and will Write Them
to the Fragment
Shader as:

gl_Position	→	gl_PositionIn[]	→	gl_Position
gl_TexCoord[]	→	gl_TexCoordIn[] []	→	gl_TexCoord[]
gl_FrontColor	→	gl_FrontColorIn[]	→	gl_FrontColor
gl_BackColor	→	gl_BackColorIn[]	→	gl_BackColor
gl_PointSize	→	gl_PointSizeIn[]	→	gl_PointSize
gl_Layer	→	gl_LayerIn[]	→	gl_Layer

In the Geometry Shader, the dimensions indicated by  are given by the variable `gl_VerticesIn`, , although you will already know this by the type of geometry you are inputting

- ```
1 GL_POINTS
2 GL_LINES
4 GL_LINES_ADJACENCY_EXT
3 GL_TRIANGLES
6 GL_TRIANGLES adjacency EXT
```



## The Geometry Shader Can Assign These Variables:

gl\_Position

gl\_TexCoord[ ]

gl\_FrontColor

gl\_BackColor

gl\_PointSize

gl\_Layer

gl\_PrimitiveID

When the Geometry Shader calls

EmitVertex( )

this set of variables is copied to a slot in the shader's Primitive Assembly step

When the Geometry Shader calls

EndPrimitive( )

the vertices that have been saved in the Primitive Assembly step are then assembled, rasterized, etc.

Note: there is no "BeginPrimitive( )" routine. It is implied by (1) the start of the Geometry Shader, or (2) returning from the EndPrimitive( ) call.

Note: there is no need to call EndPrimitive( ) at the end of the Geometry Shader - it is implied.



## Example: Expanding 4 Points into a Bezier Curve with a Variable Number of Line Segments

bezier.glib

```
Vertex bezier.vert
Geometry bezier.geom
Fragment bezier.frag
Program Bezier uNum <2 10 50>

LineWidth 3.
LinesAdjacency [0. 0. 0.] [1. 1. 1.] [2. 1. 2.] [3. -1. 0.]
```

bezier.vert

```
void main()
{
 gl_Position = gl_ModelViewProjectionMatrix * gl_Vertex;
}
```

bezier.frag

```
out vec4 fFragColor;

void main()
{
 fFragColor = vec4(0., 1., 0., 1.);
}
```



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## Example: Expanding 4 Points into a Bezier Curve with a Variable Number of Line Segments

bezier.geom

```
#version 120
#extension GL_EXT_geometry_shader4: enable
uniform int uNum;
void main()
{
 float dt = 1. / float(uNum);
 float t = 0.;
 for(int i = 0; i <= uNum; i++)
 {
 float omt = 1. - t;
 float omt2 = omt * omt;
 float omt3 = omt * omt2;
 float t2 = t * t;
 float t3 = t * t2;
 vec4 xyzw =
 omt3 * gl_PositionIn[0].xyzw +
 3. * t * omt2 * gl_PositionIn[1].xyzw +
 3. * t2 * omt * gl_PositionIn[2].xyzw +
 t3 * gl_PositionIn[3].xyzw;

 gl_Position = xyzw;
 EmitVertex();
 t += dt;
 }
}
```

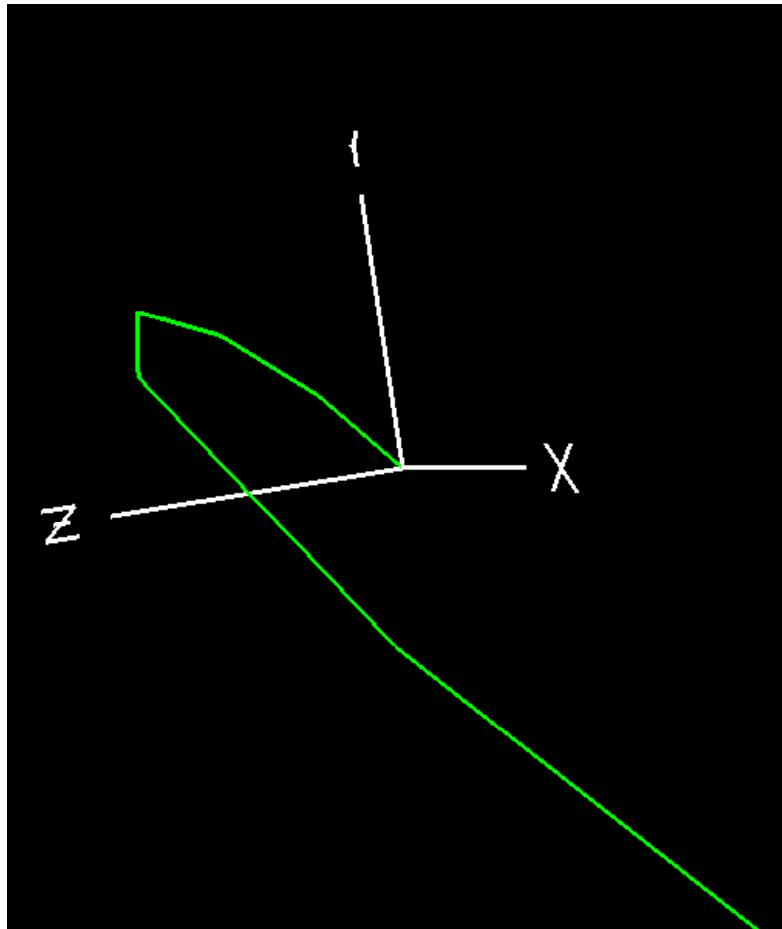
$$P(t) = (1-t)^3 P_0 + 3t(1-t)^2 P_1 + 3t^2(1-t)P_2 + t^3 P_3$$



```
 omt3 * gl_PositionIn[0].xyzw +
 3. * t * omt2 * gl_PositionIn[1].xyzw +
 3. * t2 * omt * gl_PositionIn[2].xyzw +
 t3 * gl_PositionIn[3].xyzw;
```



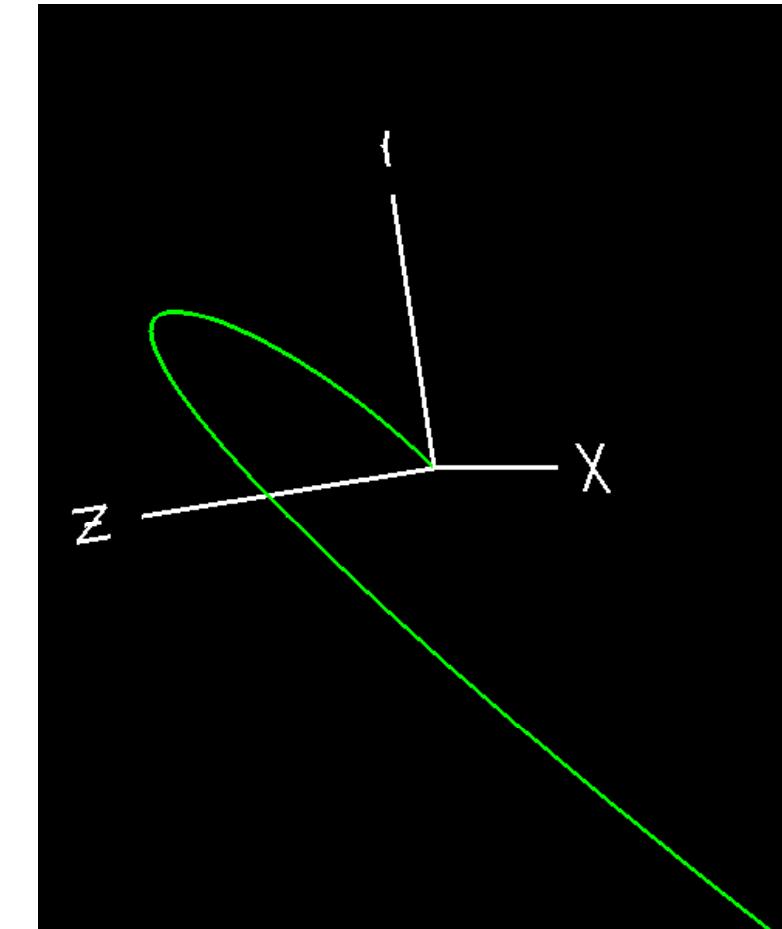
## Example: Expanding 4 Points into a Bezier Curve with a Variable Number of Line Segments



uNum = 5



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uNum = 25

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## Example: Shrinking Triangles



## shrink.geom

```
#version 120
#extension GL_EXT_geometry_shader4: enable

uniform float uShrink;
in vec3 vNormal[];
out float gLightIntensity;

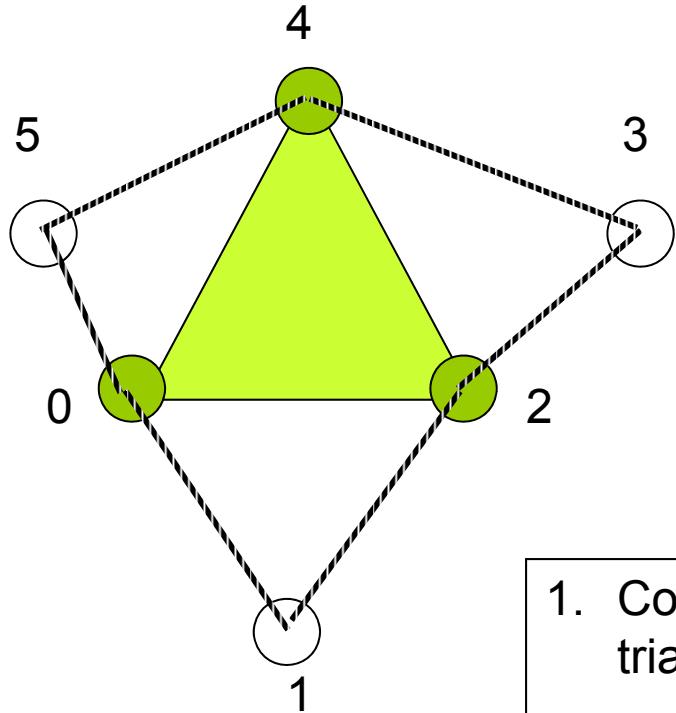
const vec3 LightPos = vec3(0., 10., 0.);
vec3 V[3];
vec3 CG;

void
ProduceVertex(int v)
{
 gLightIntensity = dot(normalize(LightPos - V[v]), vNormal[v]);
 gLightIntensity = abs(gLightIntensity);

 gl_Position = gl_ModelViewProjectionMatrix * vec4(CG + uShrink * (V[v] - CG), 1.);
 EmitVertex();
}

void
main()
{
 V[0] = gl_PositionIn[0].xyz;
 V[1] = gl_PositionIn[1].xyz;
 V[2] = gl_PositionIn[2].xyz;
 CG = (V[0] + V[1] + V[2]) / 3.;
 ProduceVertex(0);
 ProduceVertex(1);
 ProduceVertex(2);
}
```

## Example: Silhouette Geometry Shader



1. Compute the normals of each of the four triangles
2. If there is a sign difference between the z component of the center triangle and the z component of an adjacent triangle, draw their common edge

## Example: Silhouette Geometry Shader

silh.glib

```
Obj bunny.obj

Vertex silh.vert
Geometry silh.geom
Fragment silh.frag
Program Silhouette uColor { 0. 1. 0. }

ObjAdj bunny.obj
```



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## Example: Silhouette Geometry Shader

silh.vert

```
void main()
{
 gl_Position = gl_ModelViewMatrix * gl_Vertex;
}
```

silh.frag

```
uniform vec4 uColor;
out vec4 fFragColor;

void
main()
{
 fFragColor = vec4(uColor.rgb, 1.);
}
```



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## Example: Silhouette Geometry Shader

silh.geom, I

```
#version 120
#extension GL_EXT_geometry_shader4: enable

void
main()
{
 vec3 V0 = gl_PositionIn[0].xyz;
 vec3 V1 = gl_PositionIn[1].xyz;
 vec3 V2 = gl_PositionIn[2].xyz;
 vec3 V3 = gl_PositionIn[3].xyz;
 vec3 V4 = gl_PositionIn[4].xyz;
 vec3 V5 = gl_PositionIn[5].xyz;

 vec3 N042 = cross(V4-V0, V2-V0);
 vec3 N021 = cross(V2-V0, V1-V0);
 vec3 N243 = cross(V4-V2, V3-V2);
 vec3 N405 = cross(V0-V4, V5-V4);
```



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## Example: Silhouette Geometry Shader

silh.geom, II

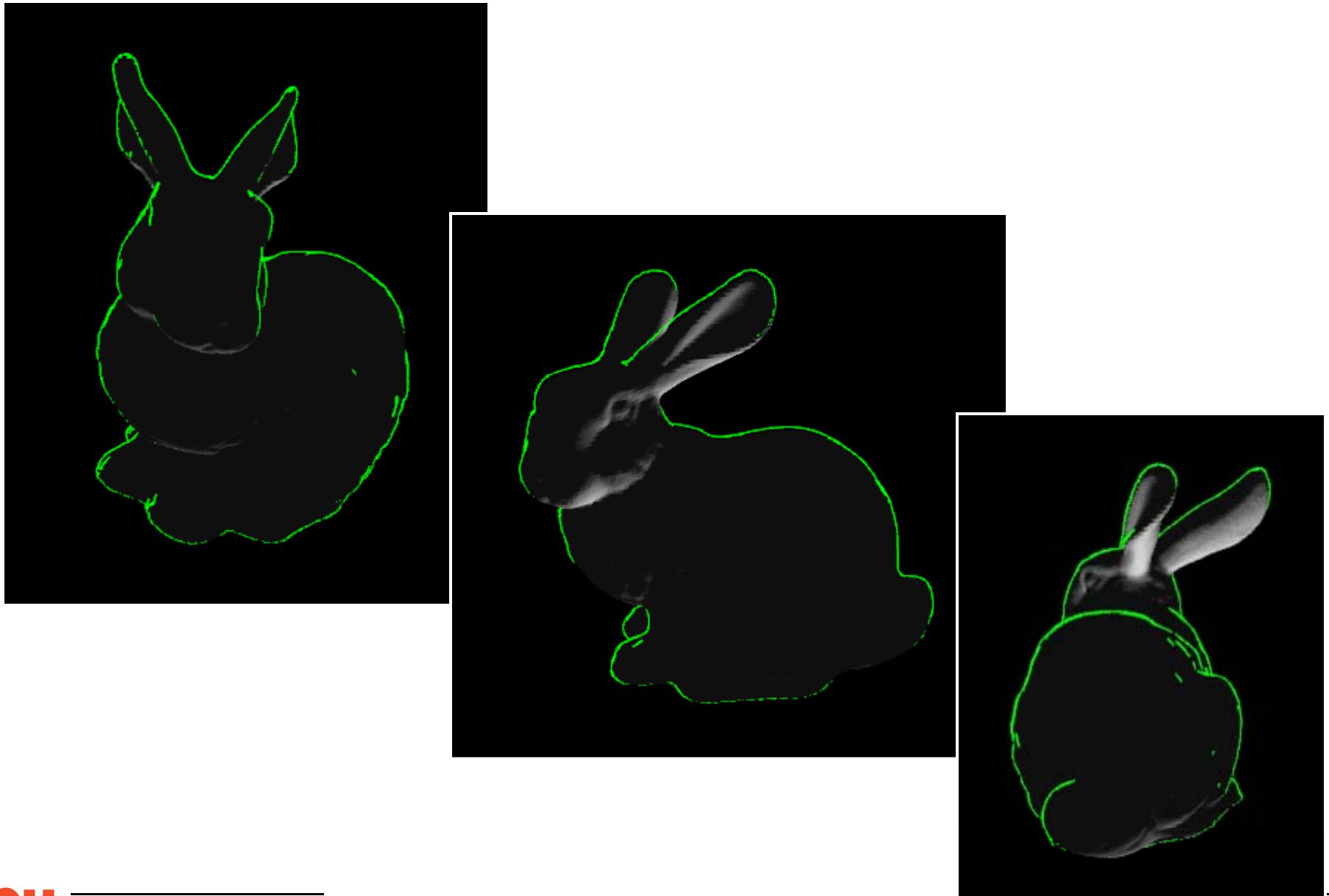
```
if(N042.z * N021.z < 0.)
{
 gl_Position = gl_ProjectionMatrix * vec4(V0, 1.);
 EmitVertex();
 gl_Position = gl_ProjectionMatrix * vec4(V2, 1.);
 EmitVertex();
 EndPrimitive();
}

if(N042.z * N243.z < 0.)
{
 gl_Position = gl_ProjectionMatrix * vec4(V2, 1.);
 EmitVertex();
 gl_Position = gl_ProjectionMatrix * vec4(V4, 1.);
 EmitVertex();
 EndPrimitive();
}

if(N042.z * N405.z < 0.)
{
 gl_Position = gl_ProjectionMatrix * vec4(V4, 1.);
 EmitVertex();
 gl_Position = gl_ProjectionMatrix * vec4(V0, 1.);
 EmitVertex();
 EndPrimitive();
}

}
```

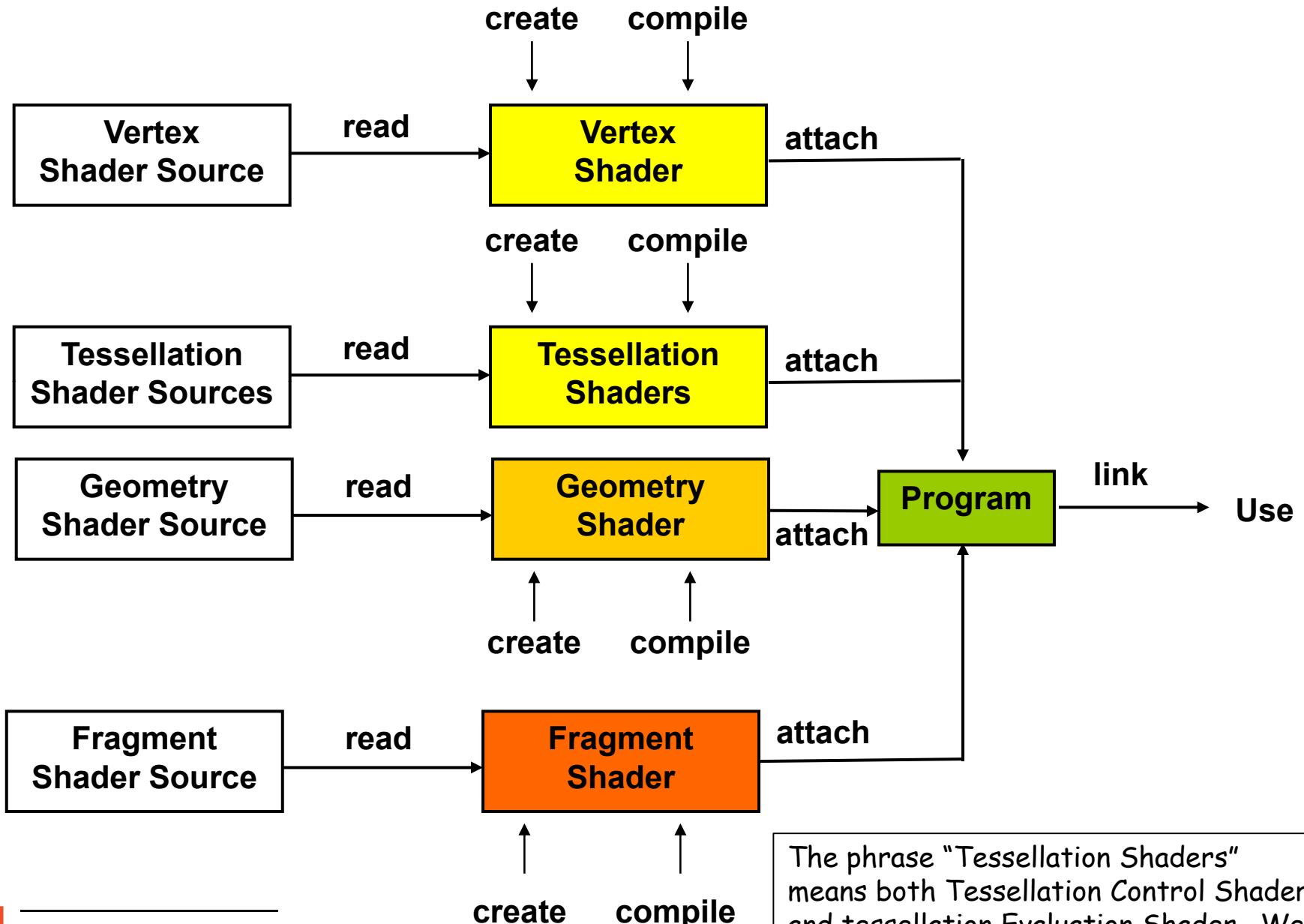
## Example: Bunny Silhouettes





The GLSL API

# The GLSL Shader-creation Process



# Initializing the GL Extension Wrangler (GLEW)

```
#include "glew.h"

...
GLenum err = glewInit();
if(err != GLEW_OK)
{
 fprintf(stderr, "glewInit Error\n");
 exit(1);
}

fprintf(stderr, "GLEW initialized OK\n");
fprintf(stderr, "Status: Using GLEW %s\n", glewGetString(GLEW_VERSION));
```

<http://glew.sourceforge.net>



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## Reading a Vertex, Tessellation, Geometry, or Fragment Shader source file into a character buffer

```
#include <stdio.h>

FILE *fp = fopen(filename, "r");
if(fp == NULL) { . . . }

fseek(fp, 0, SEEK_END);
int numBytes = ftell(fp); // length of file

GLchar * buffer = new GLchar [numBytes+1];

rewind(fp); // same as: "fseek(in, 0, SEEK_SET)"
fread(buffer, 1, numBytes, fp);
fclose(fp);
buffer[numBytes] = '\0'; // the entire file is now in a byte string
```



## Creating and Compiling a Vertex Shader from that character buffer (Tessellation, Geometry, and Fragment files work the same way)

```
int status;
int logLength;

GLuint vertShader = glCreateShader(GL_VERTEX_SHADER);

glShaderSource(vertShader, 1, (const GLchar **)&buffer, NULL);
delete [] buffer;
glCompileShader(vertShader);
CheckGLErrors("Vertex Shader 1");

glGetShaderiv(vertShader, GL_COMPILE_STATUS, &status);
if(status == GL_FALSE)
{
 fprintf(stderr, "Vertex shader compilation failed.\n");
 glGetShaderiv(vertShader, GL_INFO_LOG_LENGTH, &logLength);
 GLchar *log = new GLchar [logLength];
 glGetShaderInfoLog(vertShader, logLength, NULL, log);
 fprintf(stderr, "\n%s\n", log);
 delete [] log;
 exit(1);
}
CheckGLErrors("Vertex Shader 2");
```

## How does that array of strings thing work?

```
GLchar *ArrayOfStrings[3];
ArrayOfStrings[0] = "#define SMOOTH_SHADING";
ArrayOfStrings[1] = " . . . a commonly-used procedure . . . ";
ArrayOfStrings[2] = " . . . the real vertex shader code . . . ";
glShaderSource(vertShader, 3, ArrayofStrings, NULL);
```

These are two ways to provide a *single* character buffer:

```
GLchar *buffer[1];
buffer[0] = " . . . the entire shader code . . . ";
glShaderSource(vertShader, 1, buffer, NULL);
```

```
GLchar *buffer = " . . . the entire shader code . . . ";
glShaderSource(vertShader, 1, (const GLchar **) &buffer, NULL);
```



## Why use an array of strings as the shader input, instead of just a single string?

- You can use the same shader source and insert the appropriate #defines at the beginning
- You can insert a common header file ( $\approx$  a .h file)
- You can simulate a #include to re-use common pieces of code

If-tests versus preprocessing

```
if(Mode == PerVertexShading)
{ ... }
else if(Mode == PerFragmentShading)
{ ... }
```

```
#ifdef PER_VERTEX_SHADING
{ ... }
#endif
```

```
#ifdef PER_FRAGMENT_SHADING
{ ... }
#endif
```



## Creating the Program and Attaching the Shaders to It

```
GLuint program = glCreateProgram();

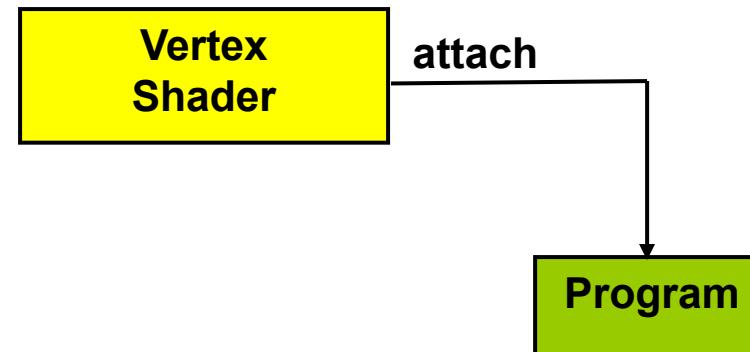
glAttachShader(program, vertShader);

glAttachShader(program, tessControlShader);

glAttachShader(program, tessEvaluation Shader);

glAttachShader(program, geomShader);

glAttachShader(program, fragShader);
```



# Linking the Program and Checking its Validity

```
glLinkProgram(program);
CheckGLErrors("Shader Program 1");
glGetProgramiv(program, GL_LINK_STATUS, &status);
if(status == GL_FALSE)
{
 fprintf(stderr, "Link failed.\n");
 glGetProgramiv(program, GL_INFO_LOG_LENGTH, &logLength);
 log = new GLchar [logLength];
 glGetProgramInfoLog(program, logLength, NULL, log);
 fprintf(stderr, "\n%s\n", log);
 delete [] log;
 exit(1);
}
CheckGLErrors("Shader Program 2");

glValidateProgram(program);
glGetProgramiv(program, GL_VALIDATE_STATUS, &status);
fprintf(stderr, "Program is %s.\n", status == GL_TRUE ? "valid" : "invalid");
```



## Making the Program Active

```
glUseProgram(program);
```

This is now an “attribute”, i.e., this shader combination is in effect until you change it

## Making the Program Inactive (use the fixed function pipeline instead)

```
glUseProgram(0);
```



## Passing in Uniform Variables

```
float lightLoc[3] = { 0., 100., 0. };

GLint location = glGetUniformLocation(program, "uLightLocation");

if(location < 0)
 fprintf(stderr, "Cannot find Uniform variable 'uLightLocation'\n");
else
 glUniform3fv(location, 3, lightLoc);
```



# Passing in Vertex Attribute Variables

```
GLint location = glGetAttribLocation(program, "aArray");

if(location < 0)
{
 fprintf(stderr, "Cannot find Attribute variable 'aArray'\n");
}
else
{
 glBegin(GL_TRIANGLES);
 glVertexAttrib2f(location, a0, b0);
 glVertex3f(x0, y0, z0);
 glVertexAttrib2f(location, a1, b1);
 glVertex3f(x1, y1, z1);
 glVertexAttrib2f(location, a2, b2);
 glVertex3f(x2, y2, z2);
 glEnd();
}
```



## Checking for Errors

```
void
CheckGLErrors(const char* caller)
{
 unsigned int glerr = glGetError();
 if(glerr == GL_NO_ERROR)
 return;
 fprintf(stderr, "GL Error discovered from caller '%s': ", caller);
 switch(glerr)
 {
 case GL_INVALID_ENUM:
 fprintf(stderr, "Invalid enum.\n");
 break;
 case GL_INVALID_VALUE:
 fprintf(stderr, "Invalid value.\n");
 break;
 case GL_INVALID_OPERATION:
 fprintf(stderr, "Invalid Operation.\n");
 break;
 case GL_STACK_OVERFLOW:
 fprintf(stderr, "Stack overflow.\n");
 break;
 case GL_STACK_UNDERFLOW:
 fprintf(stderr, "Stack underflow.\n");
 break;
 case GL_OUT_OF_MEMORY:
 fprintf(stderr, "Out of memory.\n");
 break;
 default:
 fprintf(stderr, "Unknown OpenGL error: %d (0x%0x)\n", glerr, glerr);
 }
}
```



*This is not a bad idea to do all through your OpenGL programs, even without shaders!*

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# Writing a C++ Class to Handle Everything is Fairly Straightforward

## Setup:

```
int Polar;
float K;
GLSLProgram *Hyper = new GLSLProgram("hyper.vert", "hyper.geom", "hyper.frag");
```

This loads, compiles, and links the shader.  
It prints error messages and returns NULL if something failed.

## Using the GPU program during display:

```
Hyper->Use();
Hyper->SetVariable("Polar", Polar);
Hyper->SetVariable("K", K);
```

## Reverting to the fixed-function pipeline during display:

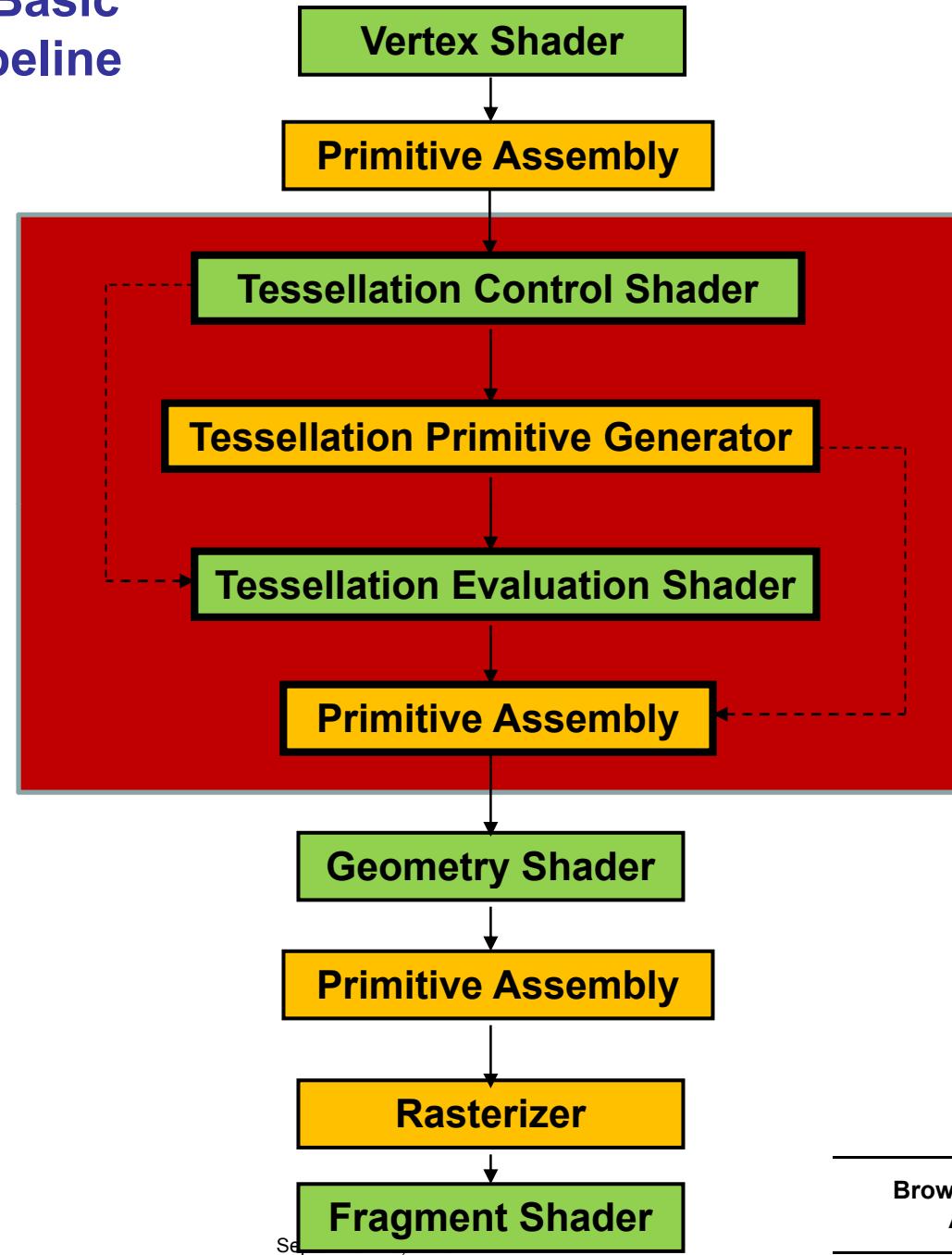
```
Hyper->Use(0);
```





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# A Shaders View of the Basic Computer Graphics Pipeline

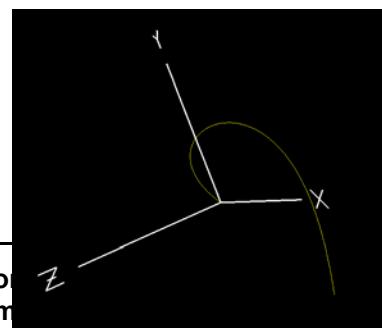


## Why do we need a Tessellation step right in the pipeline?

- You can perform adaptive subdivision based on a variety of criteria (size, curvature, etc.)
- You can provide coarser models ( $\approx$  geometric compression)
- You can apply detailed displacement maps without supplying equally detailed geometry
- You can adapt visual quality to the required level of detail
- You can create smoother silhouettes
- You can perform skinning easier

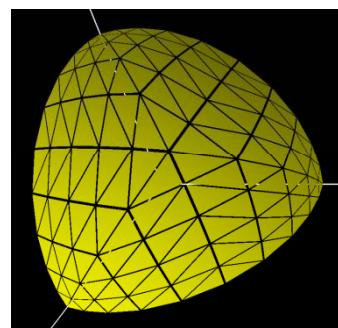
## What patterns can Tessellation shaders use?

Lines

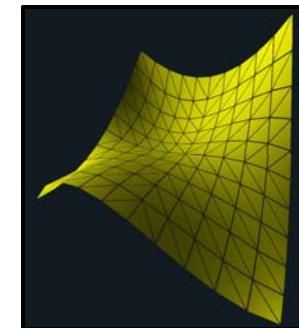


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Triangles



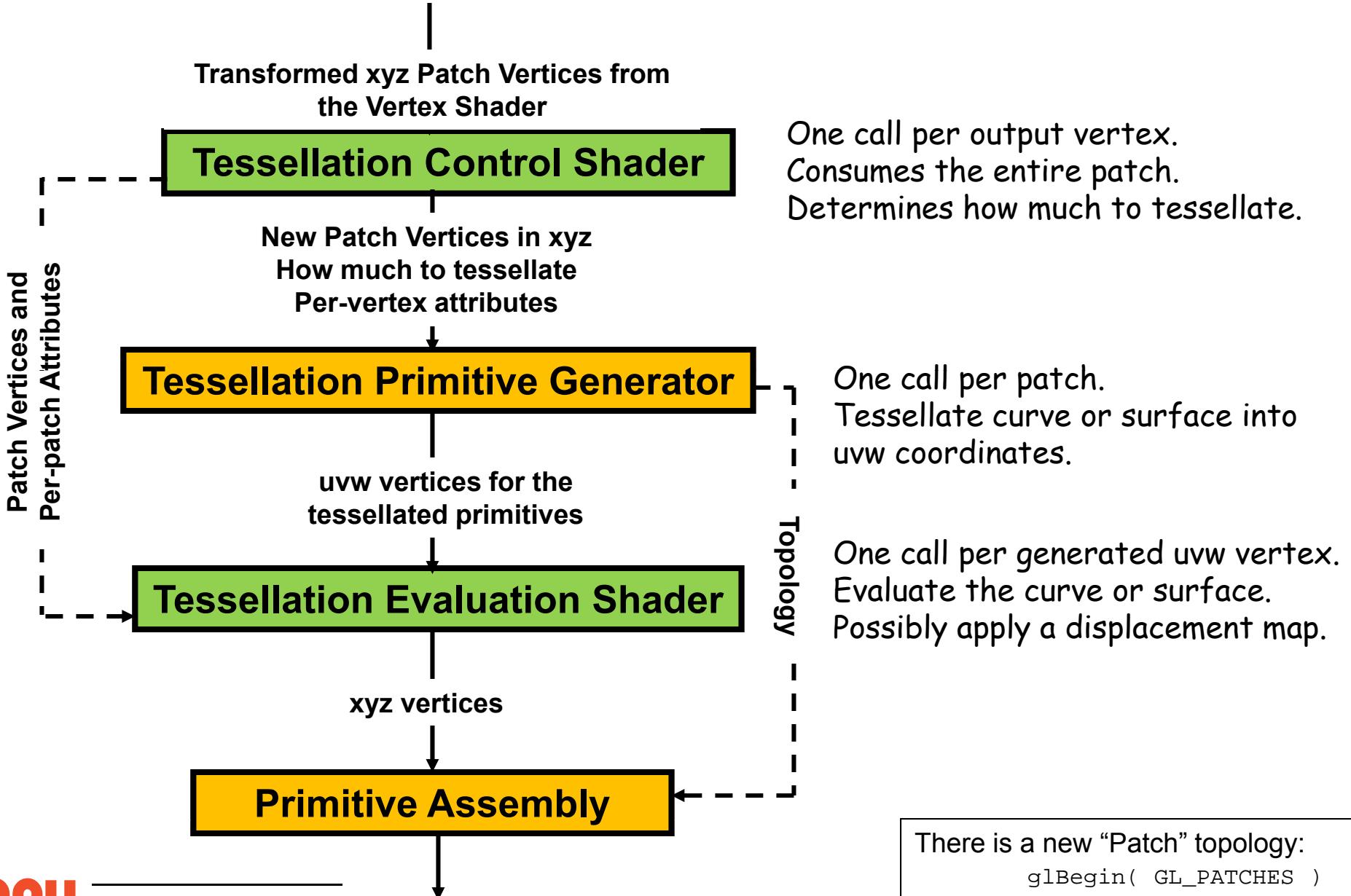
Quads (subsequently broken into triangles)



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# Tessellation Shader Organization



## Tessellation Shader Organization

The **Tessellation Control Shader (TCS)** transforms the input coordinates to a regular surface representation. It also computes the required tessellation level based on distance to the eye, screen space spanning, hull curvature, or displacement roughness. There is one invocation per output vertex.

The Fixed-Function **Tessellation Primitive Generator (TPG)** generates semi-regular u-v-w coordinates. There is one invocation per patch.

The **Tessellation Evaluation Shader (TES)** evaluates the surface in *uvw* coordinates. It interpolates attributes and applies displacements. There is one invocation per generated vertex.

There is a new “Patch” primitive – it is the face and its neighborhood:

```
glBegin(GL_PATCHES)
```

There is no implied order – that is user-given.



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## TCS Outputs

`gl_out[ ]` is an array of structures containing:

`gl_Position;`  
`gl_PointSize;`  
`gl_ClipDistance[ ];`

All invocations of the TCS have read-only access to all the output information. `barrier( )` causes all instances of TCS's to wait here

`layout( vertices = n ) out;` Used to specify the number of output vertices

`gl_TessLevelOuter[4]` is an array containing up to 4 edges of tessellation levels

`gl_TessLevelInner[2]` is an array containing up to 2 edges of tessellation levels



## In the TCS

User-defined variables defined per-vertex are qualified as “out”

User-defined variables defined per-patch are qualified as “patch out”

Defining how many vertices this patch will output:

```
layout(vertices = 16) out;
```



## Tessellation Primitive Generator

Is “fixed-function”, i.e., you can’t change its operation except by setting parameters

Consumes all vertices from the TCS and emits tessellated triangles, quads, or lines

Outputs positions as coordinates in barycentric ( $u,v,w$ )

All three coordinates ( $u,v,w$ ) are used for triangles

Just ( $u,v$ ) are used for quads and isolines



## TES Inputs

Reads one vertex of  $0 \leq (u,v,w) \leq 1$  coordinates in variable `vec3 gl_TessCoord`

User-defined variables defined per-vertex are qualified as “out”

User-defined variables defined per-patch are qualified as “patch out”

`gl_in[ ]` is an array of structures coming from the TCS containing:

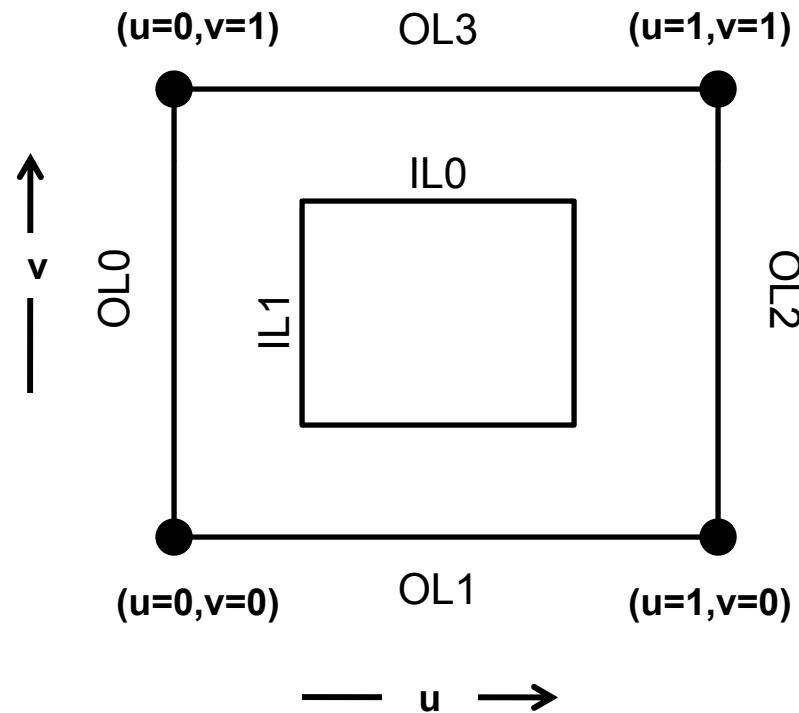
- `gl_Position;`
- `gl_PointSize;`
- `gl_ClipDistance[ ];`

```
layout({triangles, quads, isolines}, {equal_spacing, fractional_even_spacing, fractional_odd_spacing}, {ccw, cw} , point_mode) in;
```



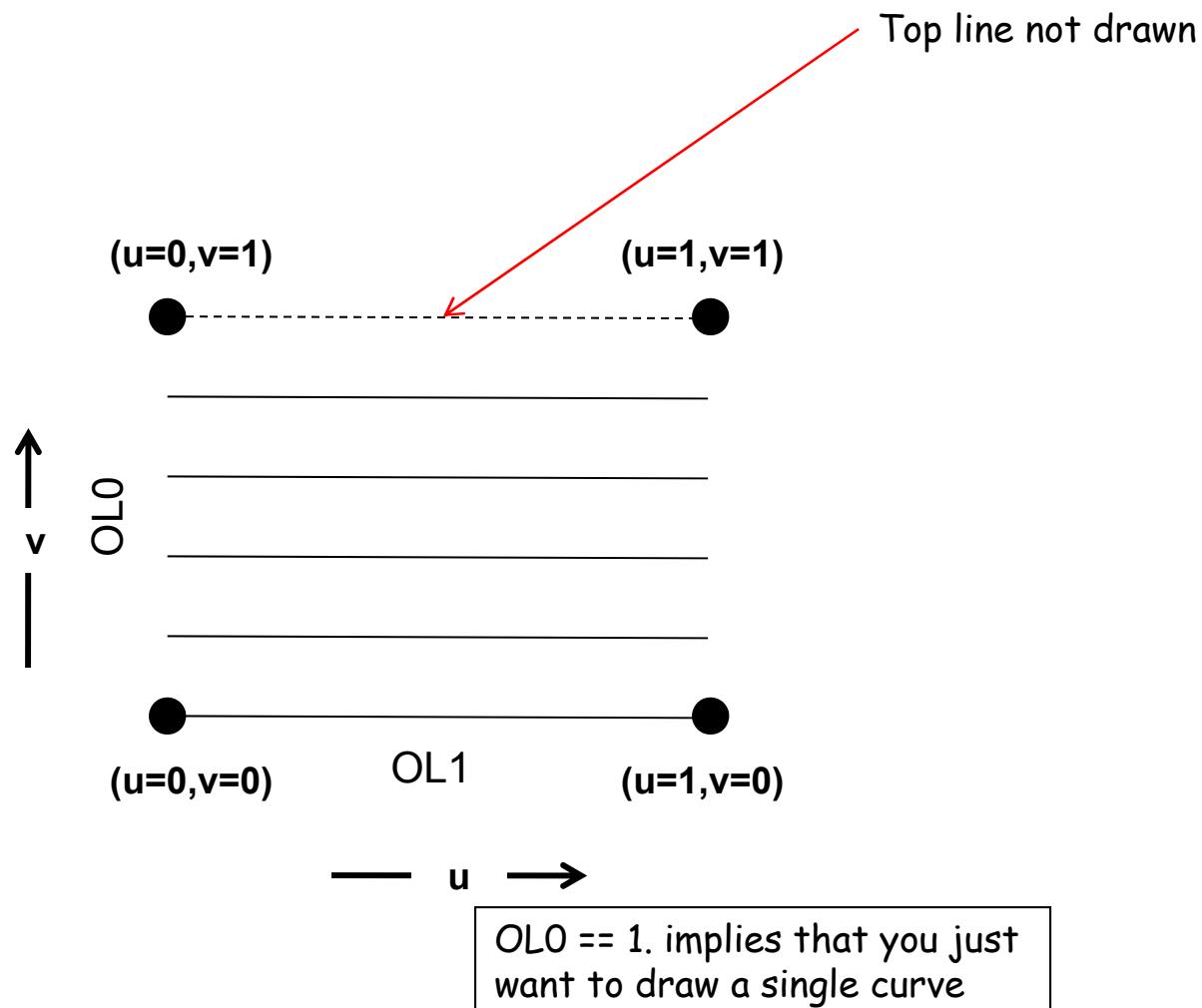
# TES Output Patterns

“quads”



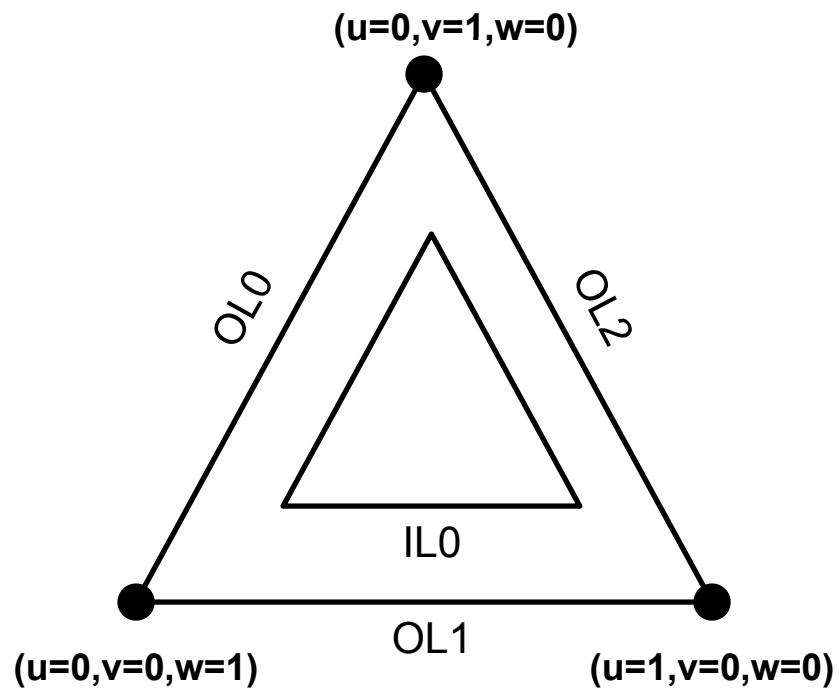
# TES Output Patterns

“isolines”

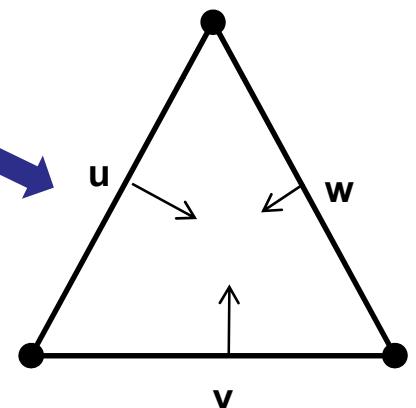


# TES Output Patterns

“triangles”



How triangle  
barycentric  
coordinates work



## Examples

In these examples:

1. We are using *glman* to run them. The only necessary input files are the *glman* .glib file and the shader files. If you aren't using *glman*, you can easily also do this from a full OpenGL program.
2. All of the surface examples use the Geometry Shader *triangle-shrink* shader. This isn't necessary, but is instructional to really see how much and where the surfaces have been tessellated.



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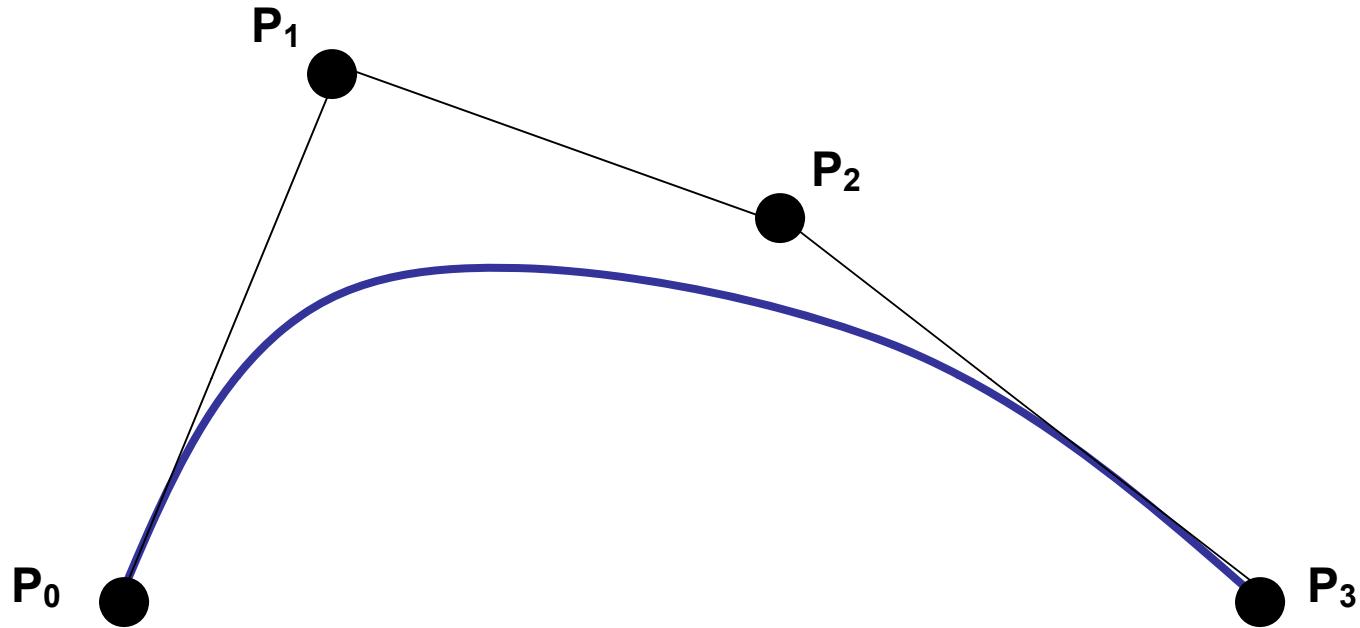
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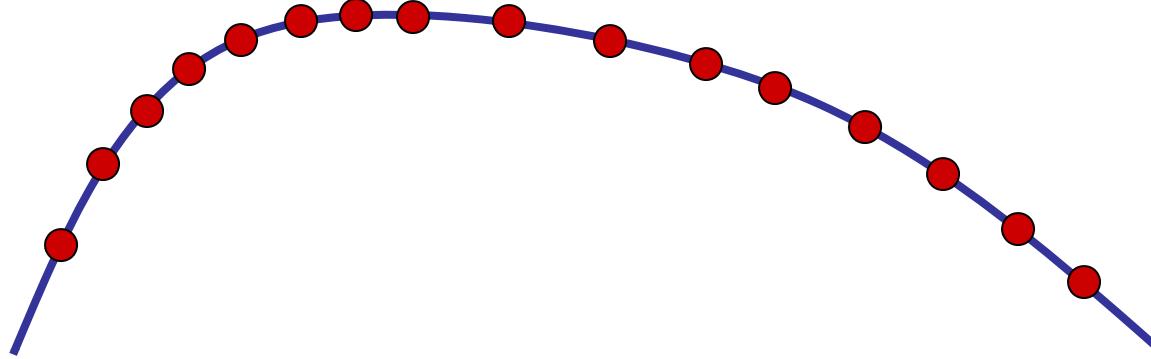
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## Example: A Bézier Curve



$$P(u) = (1-u)^3 P_0 + 3u(1-u)^2 P_1 + 3u^2(1-u)P_2 + u^3 P_3$$

## Example: A Bézier Curve



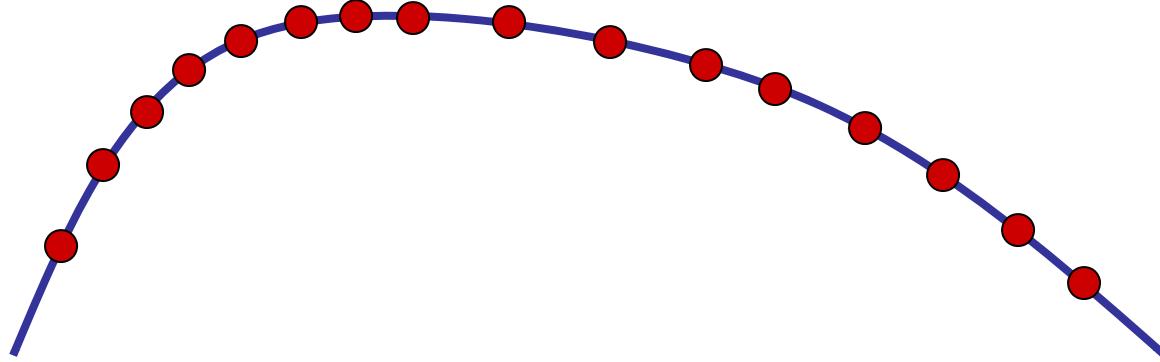
$$P(u) = (1-u)^3 P_0 + 3u(1-u)^2 P_1 + 3u^2(1-u) P_2 + u^3 P_3$$

1. The Tessellation Control Shader figures how much to tessellate the curve based on screen area, curvature, etc.

Can tessellate non-uniformly if desired

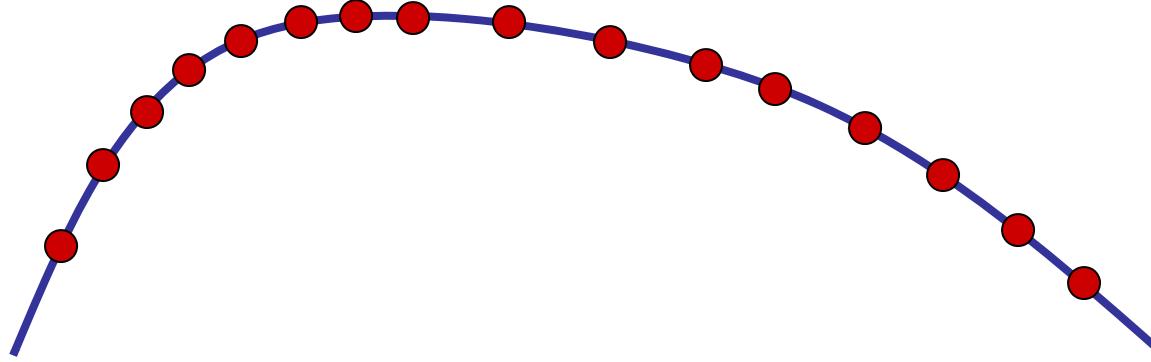
The OpenGL tessellation can also do 1D curves. Just set **OL0 = 1**.

## Example: A Bézier Curve



2. The Tessellation Primitive Generator generates  $u[,v,w]$  values for as many subdivisions as the TCS asked for.

## Example: A Bézier Curve



$$P(u) = (1-u)^3 P_0 + 3u(1-u)^2 P_1 + 3u^2(1-u)P_2 + u^3 P_3$$

3. The Tessellation Evaluation Shader computes the x,y,z coordinates based on the TPG's u values

$$P(u) = u^3(-P_0 + 3P_1 - 3P_2 + P_3) + u^2(3P_0 - 6P_1 + 3P_2) + u(-3P_0 + 3P_1) + P_0$$

## In the OpenGL Program

```
glPatchParameteri(GL_PATCH_VERTICES, 4);

glBegin(GL_PATCHES);
 glVertex3f(x0, y0, z0);
 glVertex3f(x1, y1, z1);
 glVertex3f(x2, y2, z2);
 glVertex3f(x3, y3, z3);
glEnd();
```



## In the .glib File

```
##OpenGL GLIB
Perspective 70

Vertex beziercurve.vert
Fragment beziercurve.frag
TessControl beziercurve.tcs
TessEvaluation beziercurve.tes
Program BezierCurve uOuter0 <0 1 5> uOuter1 <3 5 50>

Color [1. 1. 0.]

NumPatchVertices 4
glBegin gl_patches
 glVertex 0. 0. 0.
 glVertex 1. 1. 1.
 glVertex 2. 1. 0.
 glVertex 3. 0. 1.
glEnd
```



## In the TCS Shader

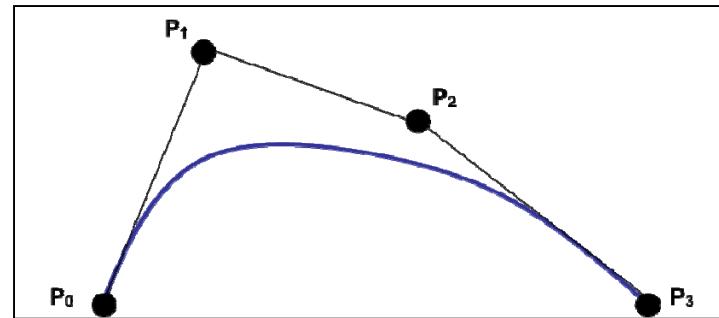
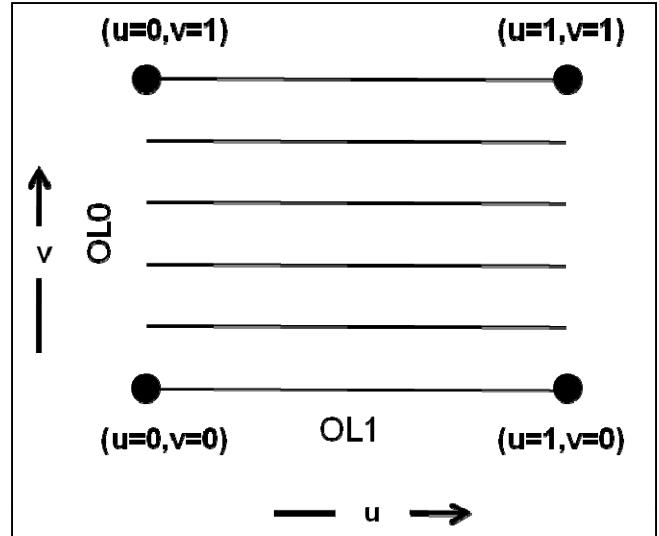
```
#version 400
#extension GL_ARB_tessellation_shader: enable

uniform int uOuter0, uOuter1;

layout(vertices = 4) out;

void main()
{
 gl_out[gl_InvocationID].gl_Position = gl_in[gl_InvocationID].gl_Position;

 gl_TessLevelOuter[0] = float(Outer0);
 gl_TessLevelOuter[1] = float(Outer1);
}
```



## In the TES Shader

```
#version 400
#extension GL_ARB_tessellation_shader: enable

layout(isolines, equal_spacing) in;

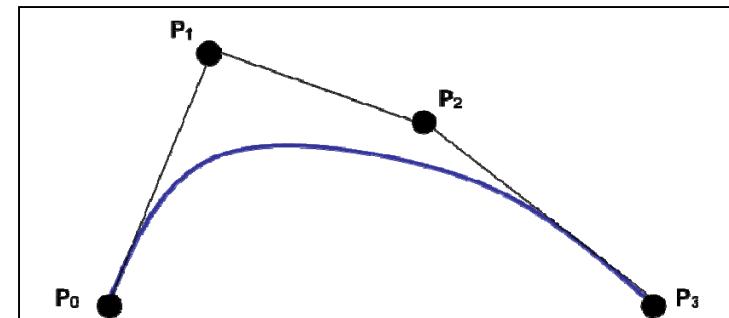
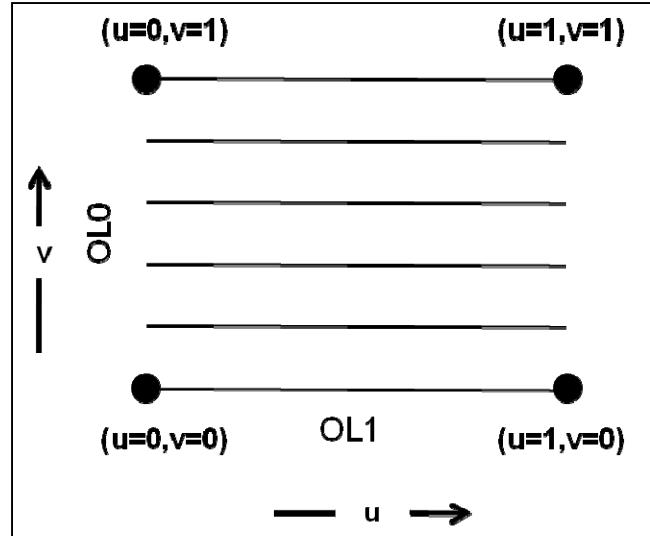
void main()
{
 vec4 p0 = gl_in[0].gl_Position;
 vec4 p1 = gl_in[1].gl_Position;
 vec4 p2 = gl_in[2].gl_Position;
 vec4 p3 = gl_in[3].gl_Position;

 float u = gl_TessCoord.x;

 // the basis functions:

 float b0 = (1.-u) * (1.-u) * (1.-u);
 float b1 = 3. * u * (1.-u) * (1.-u);
 float b2 = 3. * u * u * (1.-u);
 float b3 = u * u * u;

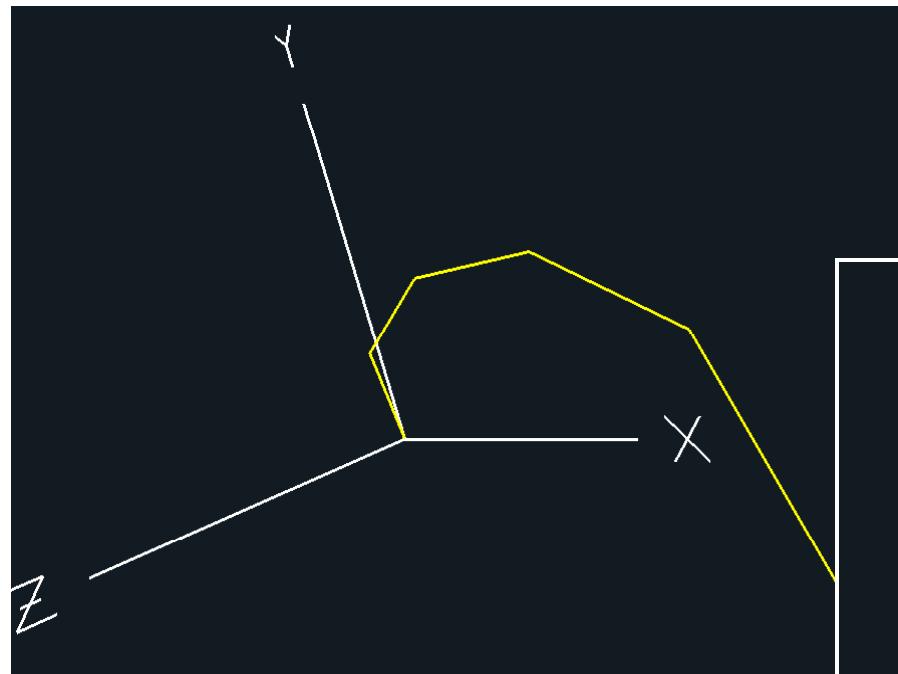
 gl_Position = b0*p0 + b1*p1 + b2*p2 + b3*p3;
}
```



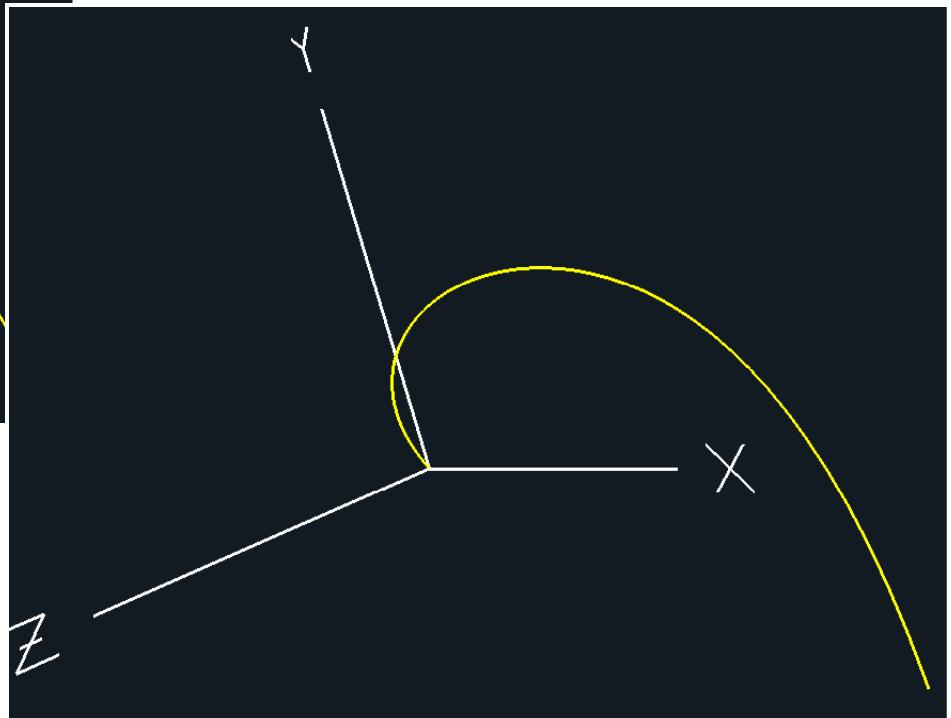
Assigning the intermediate  $p_i$ 's is here to make the code more readable. We assume that the compiler will optimize this away.



## Example: A Bézier Curve



Outer1 = 5



Outer1 = 50

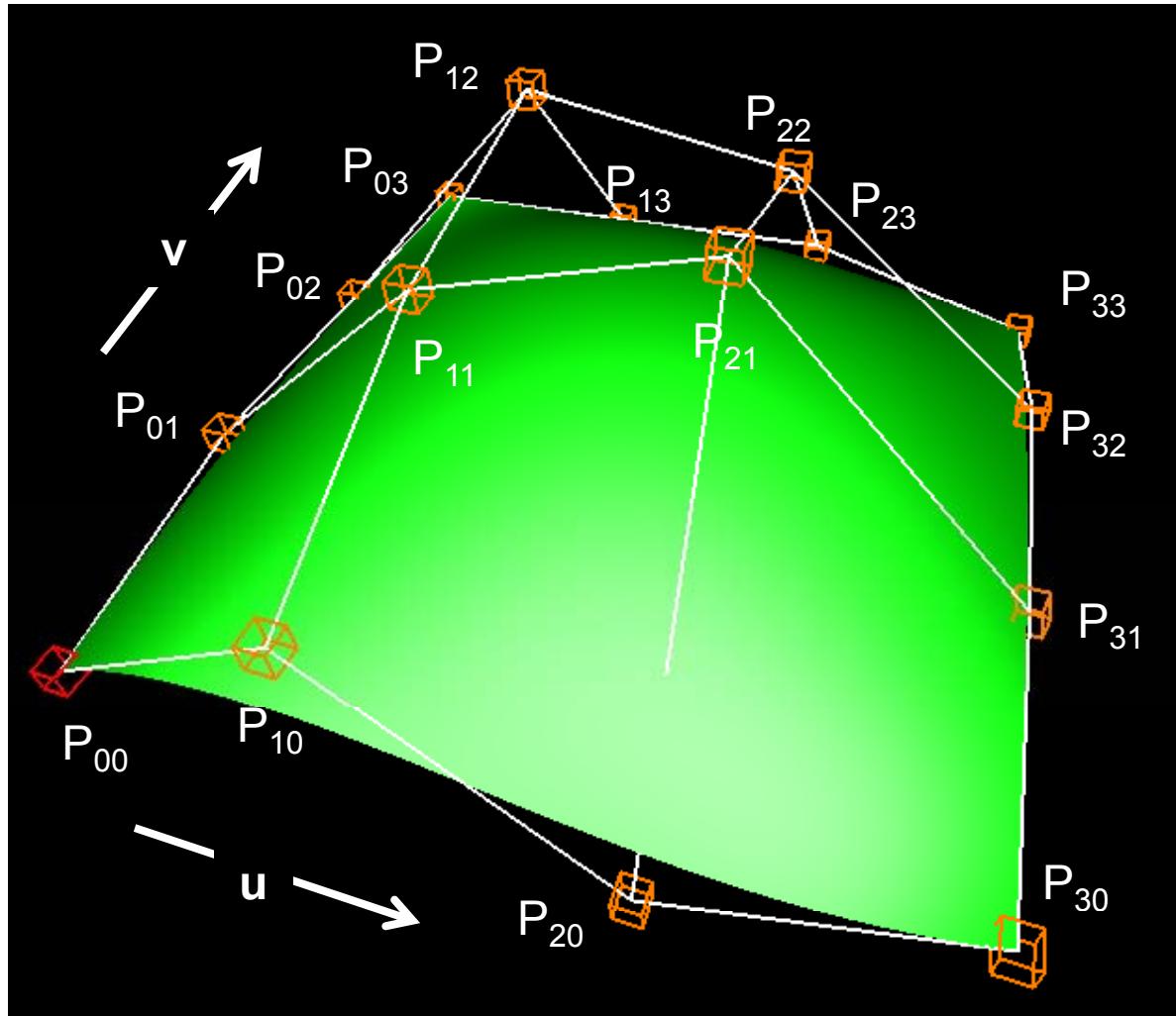


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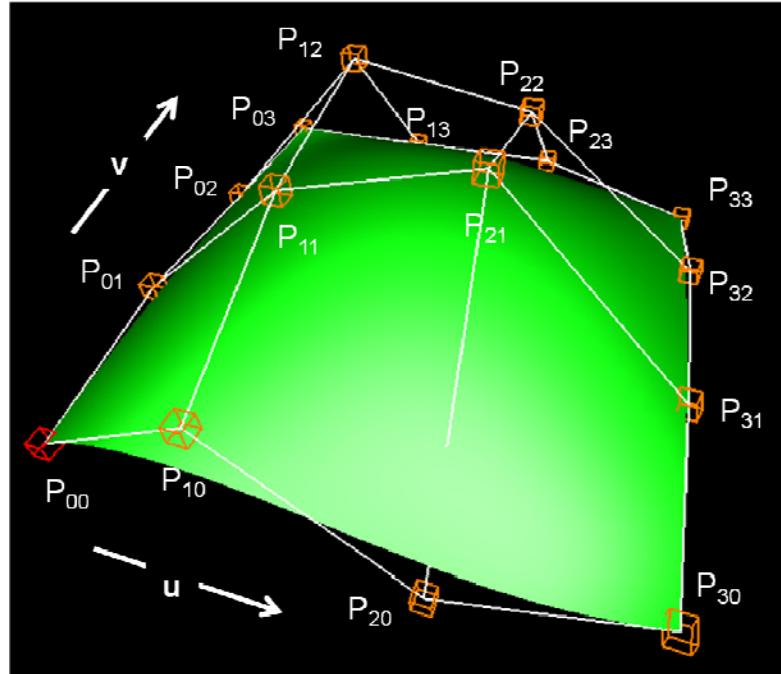
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## Example: A Bézier Surface



# Bézier Surface Parametric Equations



$$P(u, v) = \begin{bmatrix} (1-u)^3 & 3u(1-u)^2 & 3u^2(1-u) & u^3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} P_{00} & P_{01} & P_{02} & P_{03} \\ P_{10} & P_{11} & P_{12} & P_{13} \\ P_{20} & P_{21} & P_{22} & P_{23} \\ P_{30} & P_{31} & P_{32} & P_{33} \end{bmatrix} \begin{cases} (1-v)^3 \\ 3v(1-v)^2 \\ 3v^2(1-v) \\ v^3 \end{cases}$$

# In the OpenGL Program

```
glPatchParameteri(GL_PATCH_VERTICES, 16);

glBegin(GL_PATCHES);
 glVertex3f(x00, y00, z00);
 glVertex3f(x10, y10, z10);
 glVertex3f(x20, y20, z20);
 glVertex3f(x30, y30, z30);
 glVertex3f(x01, y01, z01);
 glVertex3f(x11, y11, z11);
 glVertex3f(x21, y21, z21); ←—————
 glVertex3f(x31, y31, z31);
 glVertex3f(x02, y02, z02);
 glVertex3f(x12, y12, z12);
 glVertex3f(x22, y22, z22);
 glVertex3f(x32, y32, z32);
 glVertex3f(x03, y03, z03);
 glVertex3f(x13, y13, z13);
 glVertex3f(x23, y23, z23);
 glVertex3f(x33, y33, z33);

glEnd();
```

This order is unimportant. Pick a convention yourself and stick to it!



## In the .glib File

```
##OpenGL GLIB
Perspective 70

GeometryInput gl_triangles
GeometryOutput gl_triangle_strip

Vertex beziersurface.vert
Fragment beziersurface.frag
TessControl beziersurface.tcs
TessEvaluation beziersurface.tes
Geometry beziersurface.geom
Program BezierSurface uOuter02 <1 10 50> uOuter13 <1 10 50> uInner0 <1 10 50> uInner1 <1 10 50> \
 uShrink <0. 1. 1.>
 uLightX <-10. 0. 10.> uLightY <-10. 10. 10.> uLightZ <-10. 10. 10. >

Color [1. 1. 0.]

NumPatchVertices 16

glBegin gl_patches
 glVertex 0. 2. 0.
 glVertex 1. 1. 0.
 glVertex 2. 1. 0.
 glVertex 3. 2. 0.

 glVertex 0. 1. 1.
 glVertex 1. -2. 1.
 glVertex 2. 1. 1.
 glVertex 3. 0. 1.

 glVertex 0. 0. 2.
 glVertex 1. 1. 2.
 glVertex 2. 0. 2.
 glVertex 3. -1. 2.

 glVertex 0. 0. 3.
 glVertex 1. 1. 3.
 glVertex 2. -1. 3.
 glVertex 3. -1. 3.

glEnd
```

## In the TCS Shader

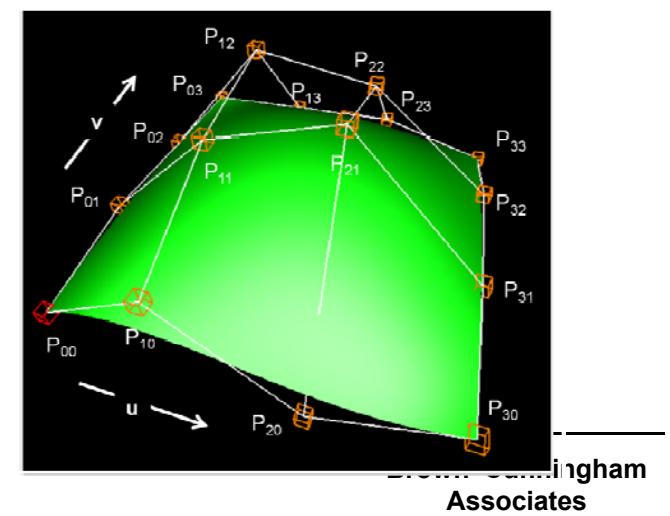
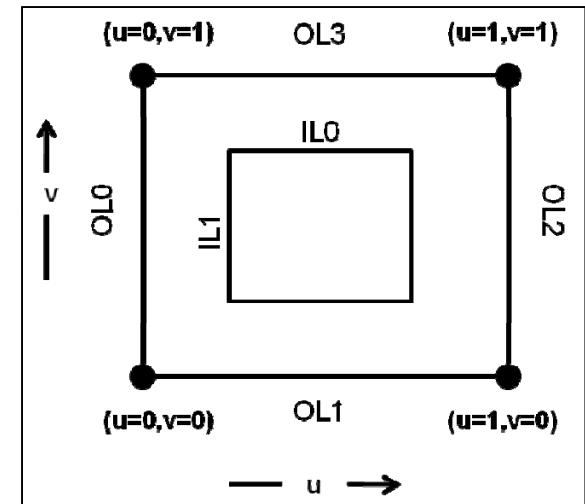
```
#version 400
#extension GL_ARB_tessellation_shader : enable

uniform float uOuter02, uOuter13, uInner0, uInner1;

layout(vertices = 16) out;

void main()
{
 gl_out[gl_InvocationID].gl_Position = gl_in[gl_InvocationID].gl_Position;

 gl_TessLevelOuter[0] = gl_TessLevelOuter[2] = uOuter02;
 gl_TessLevelOuter[1] = gl_TessLevelOuter[3] = uOuter13;
 gl_TessLevelInner[0] = uInner0;
 gl_TessLevelInner[1] = uInner1;
}
```



## In the TES Shader

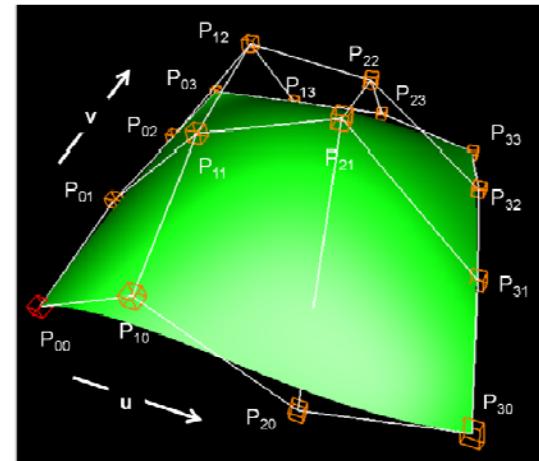
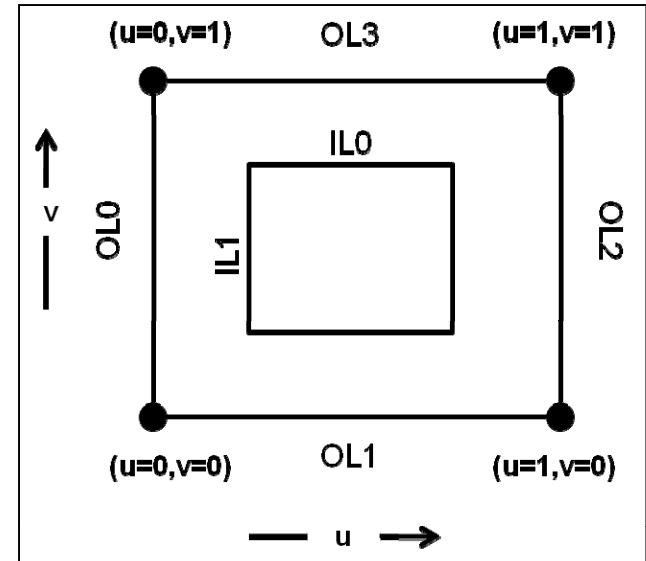
```
#version 400 compatibility
#extension GL_ARB_tessellation_shader : enable

layout(quads, equal_spacing, ccw) in;

out vec3 teNormal;

void main()
{
 vec4 p00 = gl_in[0].gl_Position;
 vec4 p10 = gl_in[1].gl_Position;
 vec4 p20 = gl_in[2].gl_Position;
 vec4 p30 = gl_in[3].gl_Position;
 vec4 p01 = gl_in[4].gl_Position;
 vec4 p11 = gl_in[5].gl_Position;
 vec4 p21 = gl_in[6].gl_Position;
 vec4 p31 = gl_in[7].gl_Position;
 vec4 p02 = gl_in[8].gl_Position;
 vec4 p12 = gl_in[9].gl_Position;
 vec4 p22 = gl_in[10].gl_Position;
 vec4 p32 = gl_in[11].gl_Position;
 vec4 p03 = gl_in[12].gl_Position;
 vec4 p13 = gl_in[13].gl_Position;
 vec4 p23 = gl_in[14].gl_Position;
 vec4 p33 = gl_in[15].gl_Position;

 float u = gl_TessCoord.x;
 float v = gl_TessCoord.y;
```



Assigning the intermediate  $p_{ij}$ 's is here to make the code more readable. We assume that the compiler will optimize this away.

# In the TES Shader – Computing the Position

```
// the basis functions:

float bu0 = (1.-u) * (1.-u) * (1.-u);
float bu1 = 3. * u * (1.-u) * (1.-u);
float bu2 = 3. * u * u * (1.-u);
float bu3 = u * u * u;

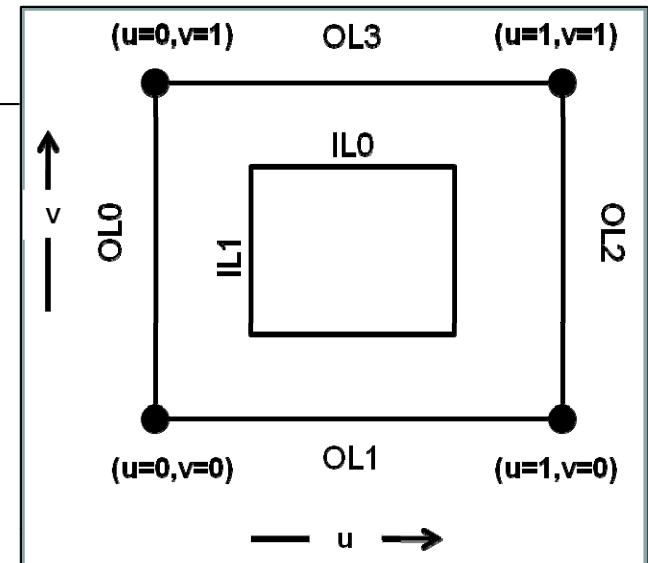
float dbu0 = -3. * (1.-u) * (1.-u);
float dbu1 = 3. * (1.-u) * (1.-3.*u);
float dbu2 = 3. * u * (2.-3.*u);
float dbu3 = 3. * u * u;

float bv0 = (1.-v) * (1.-v) * (1.-v);
float bv1 = 3. * v * (1.-v) * (1.-v);
float bv2 = 3. * v * v * (1.-v);
float bv3 = v * v * v;

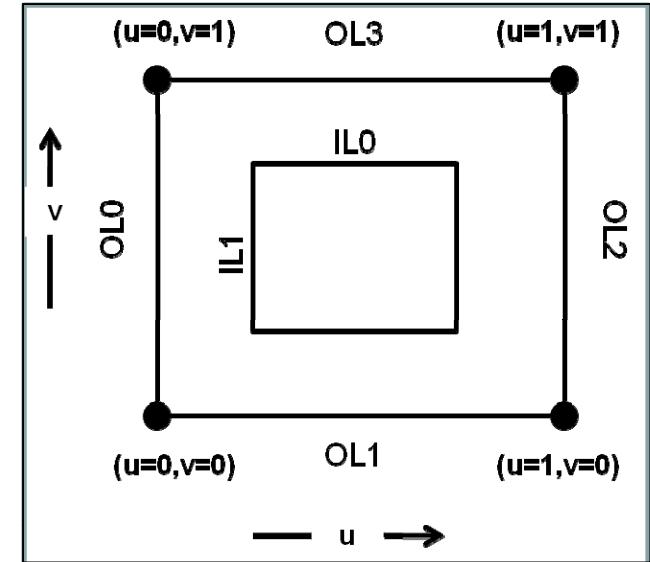
float dbv0 = -3. * (1.-v) * (1.-v);
float dbv1 = 3. * (1.-v) * (1.-3.*v);
float dbv2 = 3. * v * (2.-3.*v);
float dbv3 = 3. * v * v;

// finally, we get to compute something:

gl_Position = bu0 * (bv0*p00 + bv1*p01 + bv2*p02 + bv3*p03)
+ bu1 * (bv0*p10 + bv1*p11 + bv2*p12 + bv3*p13)
+ bu2 * (bv0*p20 + bv1*p21 + bv2*p22 + bv3*p23)
+ bu3 * (bv0*p30 + bv1*p31 + bv2*p32 + bv3*p33);
```



## In the TES Shader – Computing the Normal



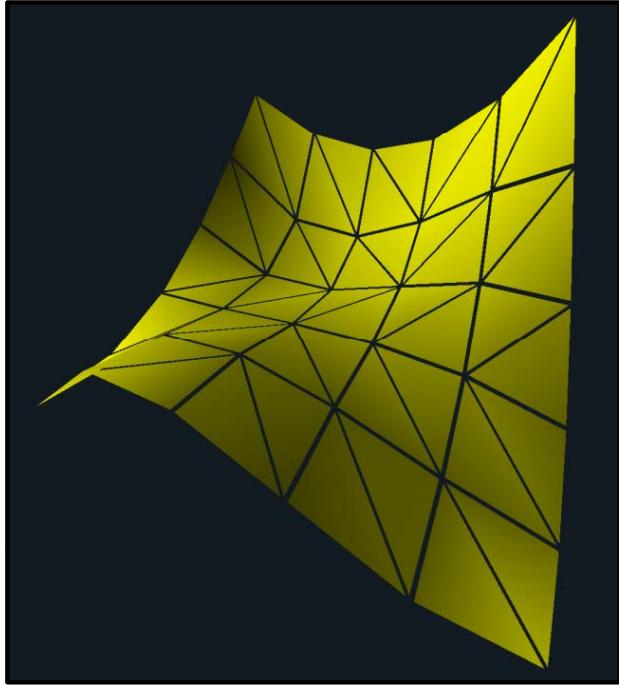
```
vec4 dpdu = dbu0 * (bv0*p00 + bv1*p01 + bv2*p02 + bv3*p03)
+ dbu1 * (bv0*p10 + bv1*p11 + bv2*p12 + bv3*p13)
+ dbu2 * (bv0*p20 + bv1*p21 + bv2*p22 + bv3*p23)
+ dbu3 * (bv0*p30 + bv1*p31 + bv2*p32 + bv3*p33);

vec4 dpdv = bu0 * (dbv0*p00 + dbv1*p01 + dbv2*p02 + dbv3*p03)
+ bu1 * (dbv0*p10 + dbv1*p11 + dbv2*p12 + dbv3*p13)
+ bu2 * (dbv0*p20 + dbv1*p21 + dbv2*p22 + dbv3*p23)
+ bu3 * (dbv0*p30 + dbv1*p31 + dbv2*p32 + dbv3*p33);

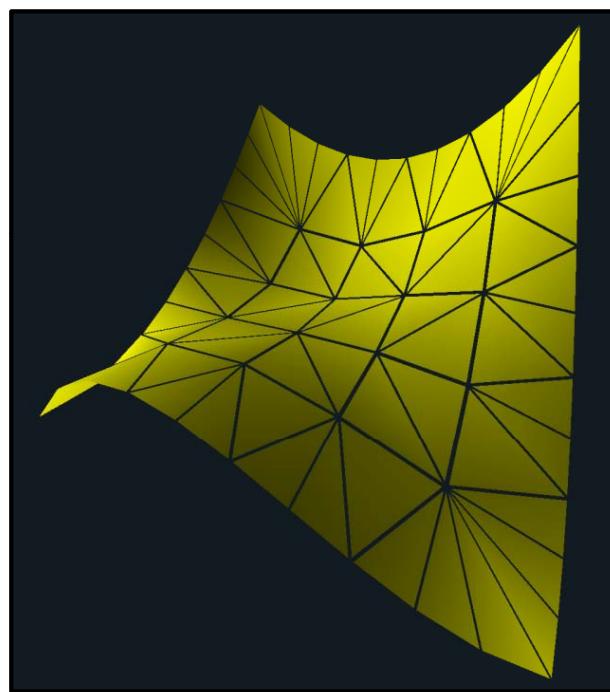
teNormal = normalize(cross(dpdu.xyz, dpdv.xyz));
}
```



## Example: A Bézier Surface

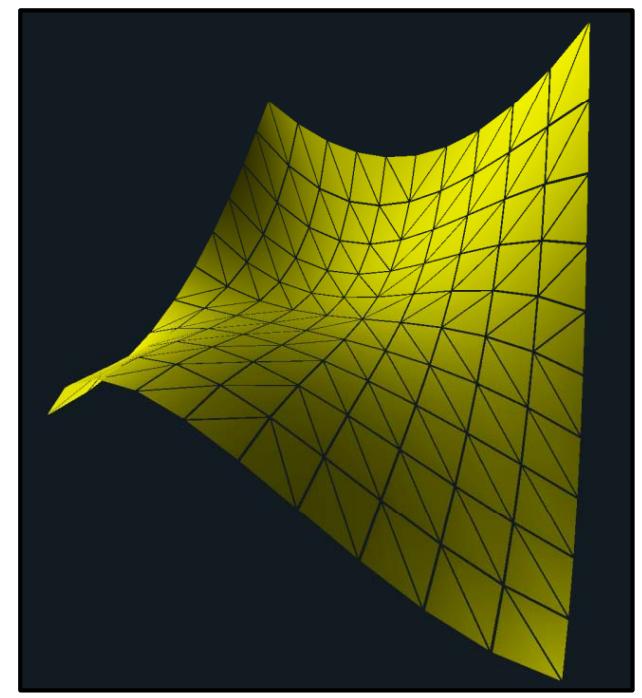


Outer02 = Outer13 = 5  
Inner0 = Inner1 = 5

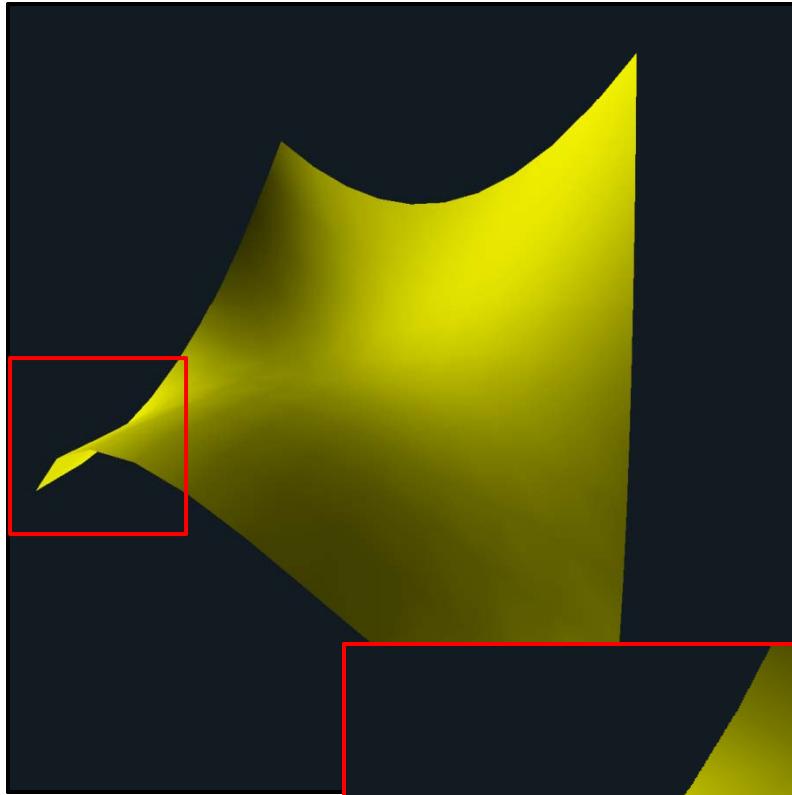


Outer02 = Outer13 = 10  
Inner0 = Inner1 = 5

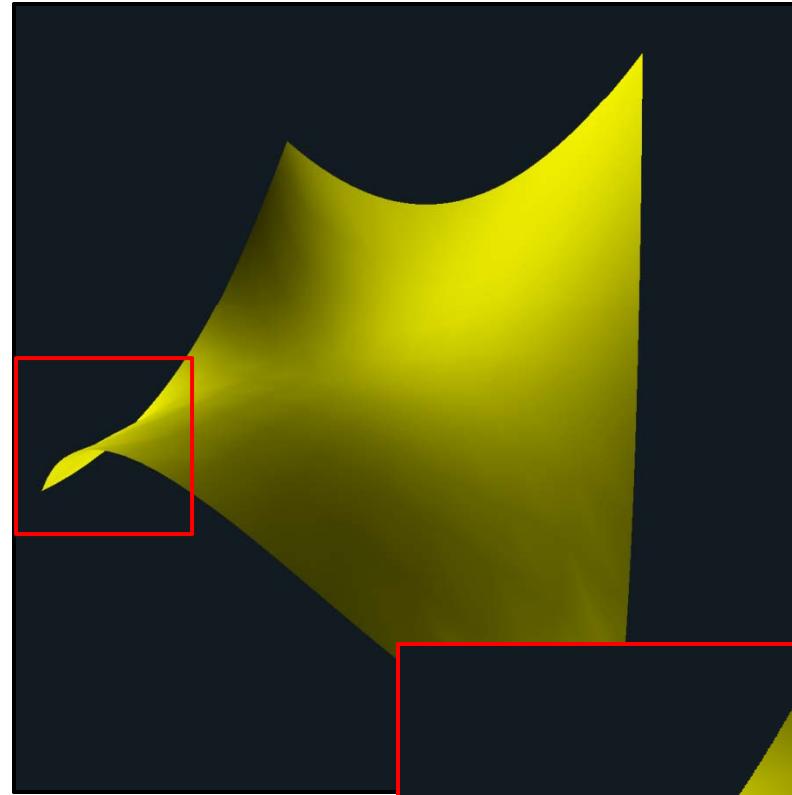
Outer02 = Outer13 = 10  
Inner0 = Inner1 = 10



## Tessellation Levels and Smooth Shading



Outer02 = Outer13 = 10  
Inner0 = Inner1 = 10



Outer02 = Outer13 = 30  
Inner0 = Inner1 = 10



Smoothing edge boundaries is one of the reasons that you can set Outer and Inner tessellation levels separately

# Example: Whole-Sphere Subdivision

## spheresubd.glib

```
##OpenGL GLIB

GeometryInput gl_triangles
GeometryOutput gl_triangle_strip

Vertex spheresubd.vert
Fragment spheresubd.frag
TessControl spheresubd.tcs
TessEvaluation spheresubd.tes
Geometry spheresubd.geom
Program SphereSubd
 uDetail <1 30 200>
 uScale <0.1 1. 10.>
 uShrink <0. 1. 1.>
 uFlat <false>
 uColor {1. 1. 0. 0.}
 uLightX <-10. 5. 10.> uLightY <-10. 10. 10.> uLightZ <-10. 10. 10.>

Color [1. 1. 0.]

NumPatchVertices 1

glBegin gl_patches
 glVertex 0. 0. 0. .2
 glVertex 0. 1. 0. .3
 glVertex 0. 0. 1. .4
glEnd
```

Using the x, y, z, and w to  
specify the center and  
radius of the sphere



## Example: Whole-Sphere Subdivision

### spheresubd.vert

```
#version 400 compatibility
```

```
out vec3 vCenter;
out float vRadius;
```

```
void main()
{
 vCenter = gl_Vertex.xyz;
 vRadius = gl_Vertex.w;

 gl_Position = vec4(0., 0., 0., 1.);
}
```

Using the x, y, z, and w to  
specify the center and  
radius of the sphere



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## Example: Whole-Sphere Subdivision

spheresubd.tcs

```
#version 400 compatibility
#extension GL_ARB_tessellation_shader : enable

in float vRadius[];
in vec3 vCenter[];

patch out float tcRadius;
patch out vec3 tcCenter;

uniform float uDetail;
uniform float uScale;

layout(vertices = 1) out;

void main()
{
 gl_out[gl_InvocationID].gl_Position = gl_in[0].gl_Position; // (0,0,0,1)

 tcCenter = vCenter[0];
 tcRadius = vRadius[0];

 gl_TessLevelOuter[0] = 2.;
 gl_TessLevelOuter[1] = uScale * tcRadius * uDetail;
 gl_TessLevelOuter[2] = 2.;
 gl_TessLevelOuter[3] = uScale * tcRadius * uDetail;
 gl_TessLevelInner[0] = uScale * tcRadius * uDetail;
 gl_TessLevelInner[1] = uScale * tcRadius * uDetail;
}
```

Using the scale and the radius to help set the tessellation detail

Outer[0] and Outer[2] are the number of divisions at the poles. Outer[1] and Outer[3] are the number of divisions at the vertical seams. Inner[0] and Inner[1] are the inside sphere detail.



# Example: Whole-Sphere Subdivision

## spheresubd.tes

```
#version 400 compatibility
#extension GL_ARB_tessellation_shader : enable

uniform float uScale;

layout(quads, equal_spacing, ccw) in;

patch in float tcRadius;
patch in vec3 tcCenter;

out vec3 teNormal;

const float PI = 3.14159265;

void main()
{
 vec3 p = gl_in[0].gl_Position.xyz;

 float u = gl_TessCoord.x;
 float v = gl_TessCoord.y;
 float w = gl_TessCoord.z;

 float phi = PI * (u - .5);
 float theta = 2. * PI * (v - .5);

 float cosphi = cos(phi);
 vec3 xyz = vec3(cosphi*cos(theta), sin(phi), cosphi*sin(theta));
 teNormal = xyz;

 xyz *= (uScale * tcRadius);
 xyz += tcCenter;

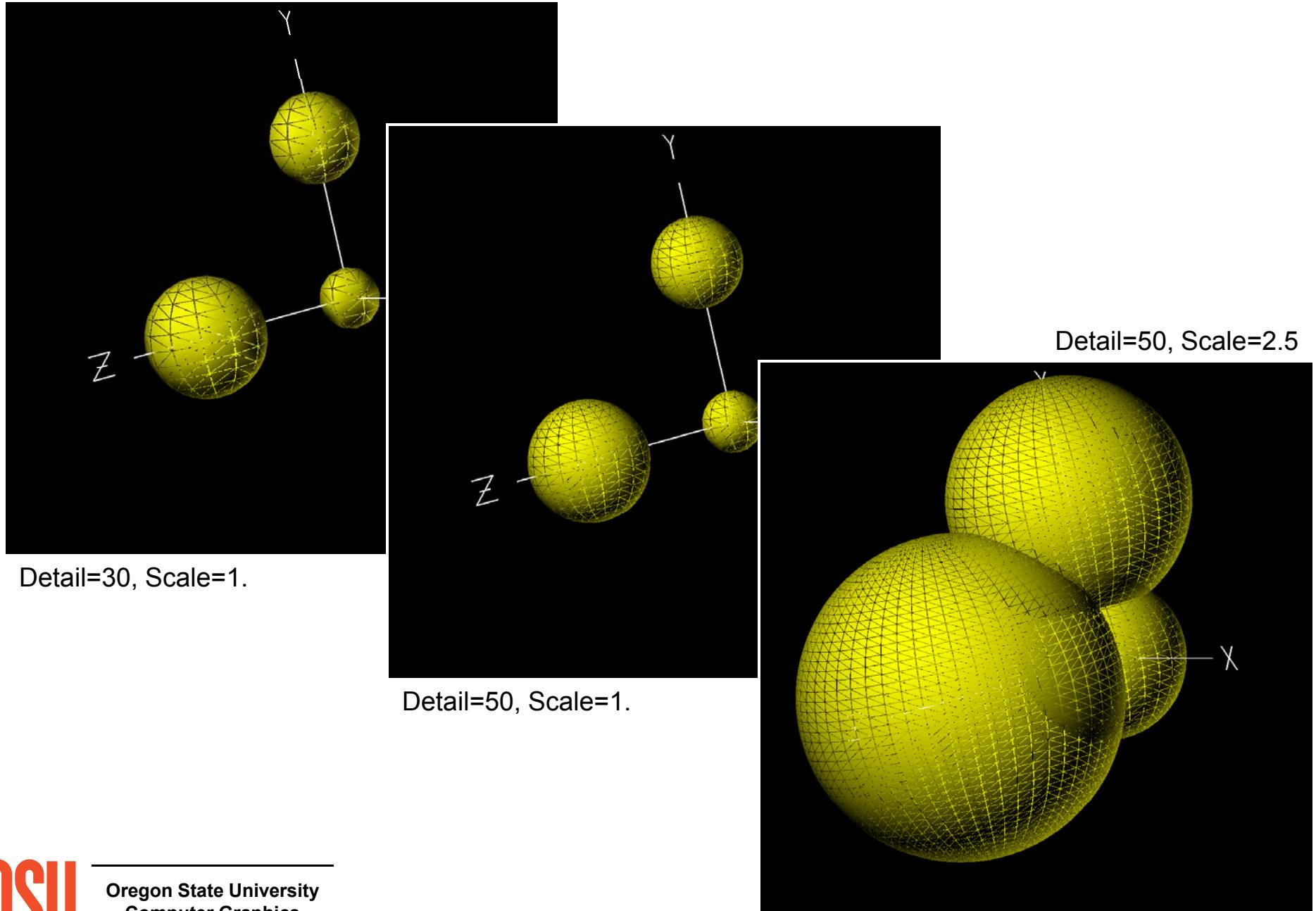
 gl_Position = gl_ModelViewMatrix * vec4(xyz, 1.);
}
```

$$-\frac{\pi}{2} \leq \phi \leq +\frac{\pi}{2}$$

$$-\pi \leq \theta \leq +\pi$$

Turning u and v into  
spherical coordinates

## Example: Whole-Sphere Subdivision



# Making the Whole-Sphere Subdivision Adapt to Screen Coverage

## sphereadapt.tcs, I

```
#version 400 compatibility
#extension GL_ARB_tessellation_shader : enable

in float vRadius[];
in vec3 vCenter[];

patch out float tcRadius;
patch out vec3 tcCenter;

uniform float uDetail;

layout(vertices = 1) out;

void main()
{
 gl_out[gl_InvocationID].gl_Position = gl_in[0].gl_Position; // (0,0,0,1)

 tcCenter = vCenter[0];
 tcRadius = vRadius[0];
```

Extreme points of the sphere

```
 vec4 mx = vec4(vCenter[0] - vec3(vRadius[0], 0., 0.), 1.);
 vec4 px = vec4(vCenter[0] + vec3(vRadius[0], 0., 0.), 1.);
 vec4 my = vec4(vCenter[0] - vec3(0., vRadius[0], 0.), 1.);
 vec4 py = vec4(vCenter[0] + vec3(0., vRadius[0], 0.), 1.);
 vec4 mz = vec4(vCenter[0] - vec3(0., 0., vRadius[0]), 1.);
 vec4 pz = vec4(vCenter[0] + vec3(0., 0., vRadius[0]), 1.);
```



# Making the Whole-Sphere Subdivision Adapt to Screen Coverage

## sphereadapt.tcs, II

```
mx = gl_ModelViewProjectionMatrix * mx;
px = gl_ModelViewProjectionMatrix * px;
my = gl_ModelViewProjectionMatrix * my;
py = gl_ModelViewProjectionMatrix * py;
mz = gl_ModelViewProjectionMatrix * mz;
pz = gl_ModelViewProjectionMatrix * pz;

mx.xy /= mx.w;
px.xy /= px.w;
my.xy /= my.w;
py.xy /= py.w;
mz.xy /= mz.w;
pz.xy /= pz.w;

float dx = distance(mx.xy, px.xy);
float dy = distance(my.xy, py.xy);
float dz = distance(mz.xy, pz.xy);
float dmax = sqrt(dx*dx + dy*dy + dz*dz);

gl_TessLevelOuter[0] = 2.;
gl_TessLevelOuter[1] = dmax * uDetail;
gl_TessLevelOuter[2] = 2.;
gl_TessLevelOuter[3] = dmax * uDetail;
gl_TessLevelInner[0] = dmax * uDetail;
gl_TessLevelInner[1] = dmax * uDetail;
}

Extreme points of the sphere in Clip space
Extreme points of the sphere in NDC space
How large are the lines between the extreme points?
We no longer use uScale or tcRadius.
But, we do use uDetail to provide a way to convert from NDC to Screen Space.
(I.e., uDetail depends on how good you want the spheres to look and on how large the window is in pixels.)
```



# Making the Whole-Sphere Subdivision Adapt to Screen Coverage

## sphereadapt.tes

```
#version 400 compatibility
#extension GL_ARB_tessellation_shader : enable

layout(quads, equal_spacing, ccw) in;

patch in float tcRadius;
patch in vec3 tcCenter;

out vec3 teNormal;

const float PI = 3.14159265;

void main()
{
 vec3 p = gl_in[0].gl_Position.xyz;

 float u = gl_TessCoord.x;
 float v = gl_TessCoord.y;
 float w = gl_TessCoord.z;
 float phi = PI * (u - .5);
 float theta = 2. * PI * (v - .5);
 float cosphi = cos(phi);
 vec3 xyz = vec3(cosphi*cos(theta), sin(phi), cosphi*sin(theta));
 teNormal = xyz;
 xyz *= tcRadius;
 xyz += tcCenter;
 gl_Position = gl_ModelViewMatrix * vec4(xyz, 1.);
}
```

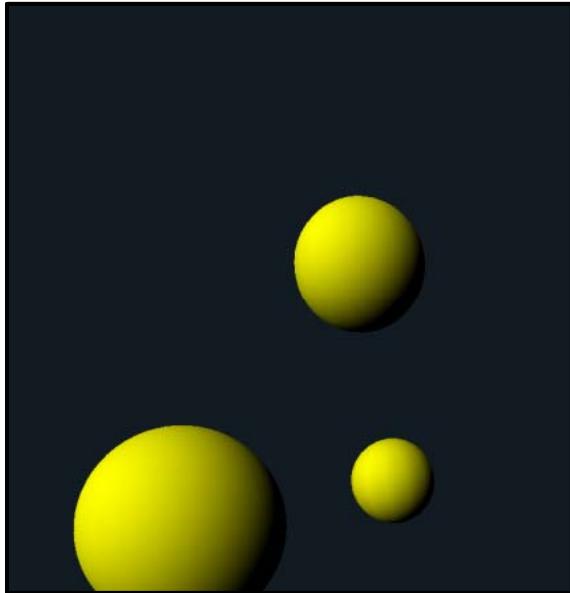
$-\frac{\pi}{2} \leq \phi \leq +\frac{\pi}{2}$

$-\pi \leq \theta \leq +\pi$

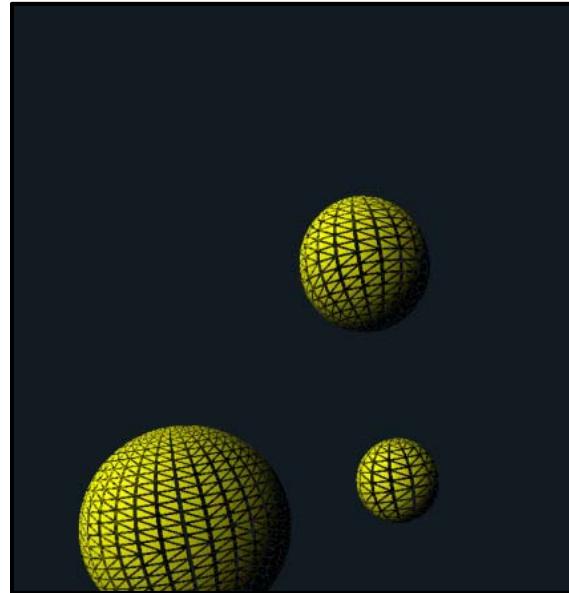
← Spherical coordinates

← No longer uses uScale

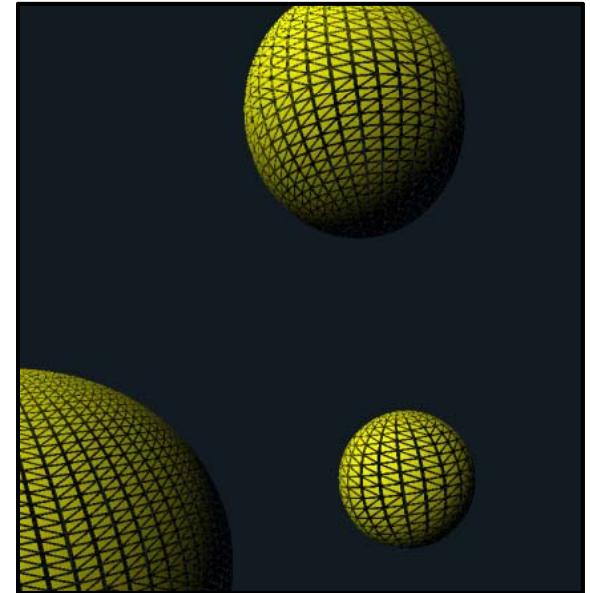
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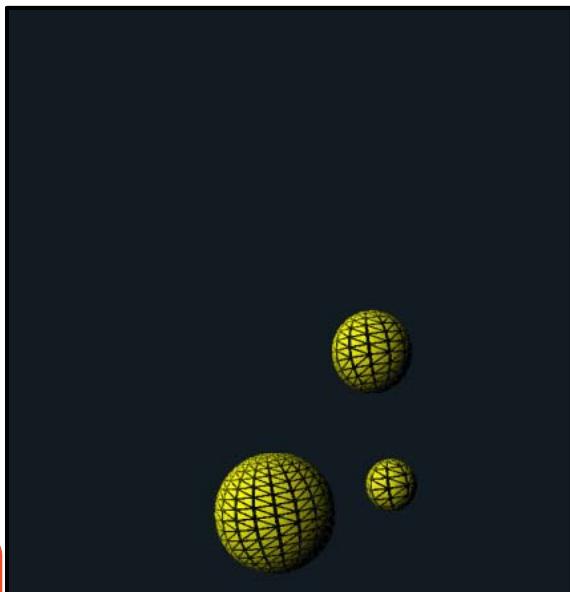
Original



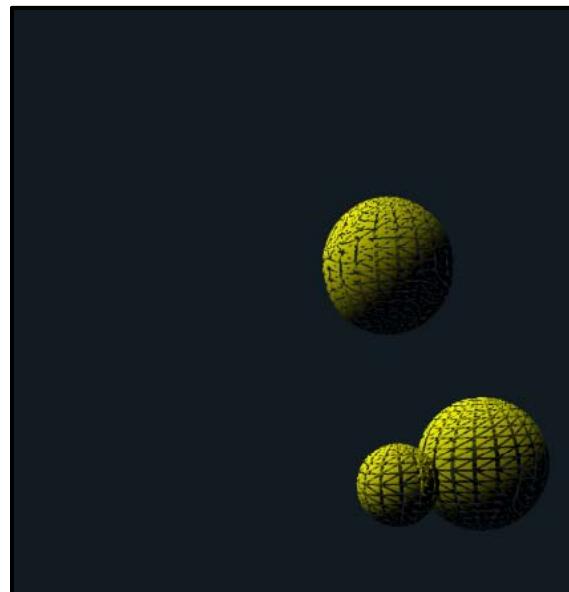
Triangles Shrunk



Zoomed In



Zoomed Out



Rotated

Notice that the number of triangles adapts to the screen coverage of each sphere, and that the size of the tessellated triangles stays about the same, regardless of radius or transformation



# The Difference Between Tessellation Shaders and Geometry Shaders

By now, you are probably confused about when to use a Geometry Shader and when to use a Tessellation Shader. Both are capable of creating new geometry from existing geometry. See if this helps.

**Use a Geometry Shader when:**

1. You need to convert geometry topologies, such as the silhouette and hedgehog shaders (triangles→lines) or the explosion shader (triangles→points)
2. You need some sort of geometry processing to come after the Tessellation Shader (such as how the shrink shader was used here)

**Use a Tessellation Shader** when you need to generate many, many new vertices and one of the tessellation topologies will suit your needs.

**Use a Tessellation Shader** when you need more than 6 input vertices to define the surface being tessellated..



A wooden rectangular sign stands on a paved surface made of irregular, light-colored stones. The sign has a dark brown wood grain texture. In the center, the words "Questions & Answers" are written in a large, bold, teal-colored font with a black outline. The sign is positioned in front of a light beige wall.

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