

Intro to OpenGL

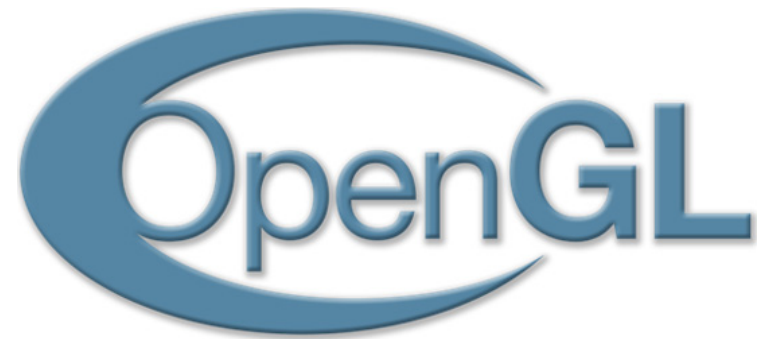
CS4620 Lecture 14

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What is OpenGL?

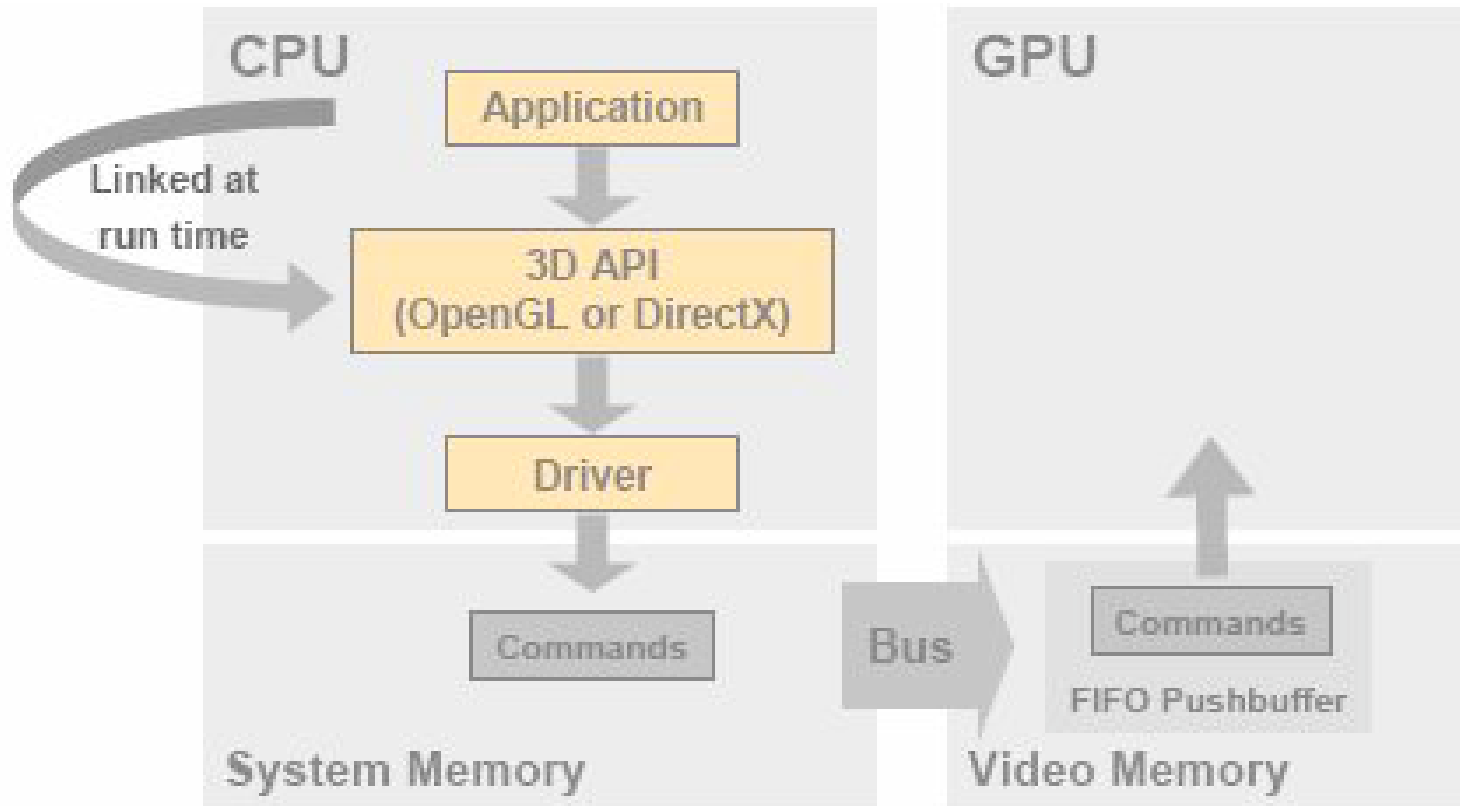
- **Open Graphics Library**
- A low level API for 2D/3D rendering with the Graphics Hardware (GPU)
- Cross-platform (Windows, OS X, Linux, iOS, Android, ...)

- Developed by SGI in 1992
 - 2014: OpenGL 4.5
 - 2008: OpenGL 3.0
 - 2006: OpenGL 2.1
- Main alternative: DirectX/3D

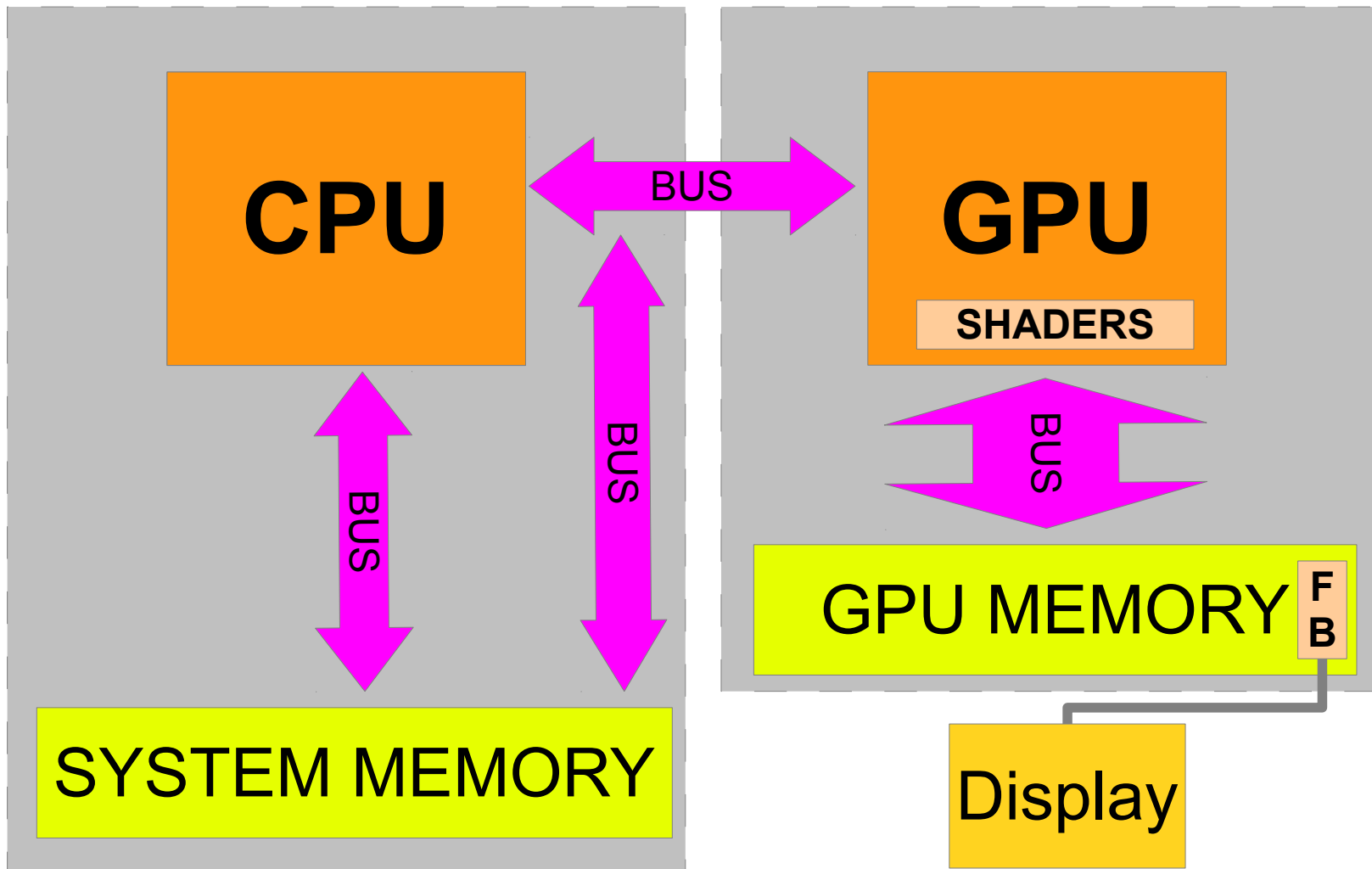


How does it fit in?

- Tap massive power of GPU hardware to render images
- Use GPU without caring about the exact details of the hardware



CPU and GPU memory



What OpenGL does for us

- Controls GPU
- Lets user specify resources....:
 - Geometry (vertices and primitives)
 - Textures
 - Shaders (programmable pieces of rendering pipeline)
 - Etc.
- ...and use them:
 - Rasterize and draw geometry

How we will use OpenGL

- OpenGL version
 - We use 2.x-3.x (plus extensions)
 - Code avoids older, deprecated parts of OpenGL standard
- LWJGL
 - Lightweight Java Game Library
 - Java bindings for OpenGL API
- CS 4620/4621 Framework
 - Simplifies creating and using OpenGL resources

LWJGL

- OpenGL originally written for C.
- LWJGL contains OpenGL binding for Java
www.lwjgl.org/
- Gives Java interface to C OpenGL commands
- Manages framebuffer

(framebuffer: a buffer that holds the image that is displayed on the monitor)



MainGame

- A window which can display GameScreens
- Initializes OpenGL context
- Forwards keyboard and mouse events to the event dispatcher

- Usage
 - Inherit from MainGame and implement methods
 - Create instance and call run method

MainGame

@Override

```
protected void buildScreenList() {  
    // Create objects inherited from GameScreen and  
    // initialize screenList attribute  
}
```

@Override

```
protected void fullInitialize() {  
    // Code Executed Before Window Is Created  
}
```

@Override

```
protected void fullLoad() {  
    // Code Executed With An Active OpenGL Context  
}
```

GameScreen

- Can display images created by OpenGL
- OpenGL “context”
 - Stores OpenGL state (geometry, buffers, etc.)
- Usage:
 - Inherit from class and implement methods
 - Create instance in `MainGame.buildScreenList`

GameScreen

```
@Override
public void update(GameTime gameTime) {
    // Animation: Update position of scene objects, camera
}
```

```
@Override
public void draw(GameTime gameTime) {
    // Drawing: Use LWJGL to draw to the screen
}
```

```
@Override
public void onEntry(GameTime gameTime) {
    // Initialization code
}
```

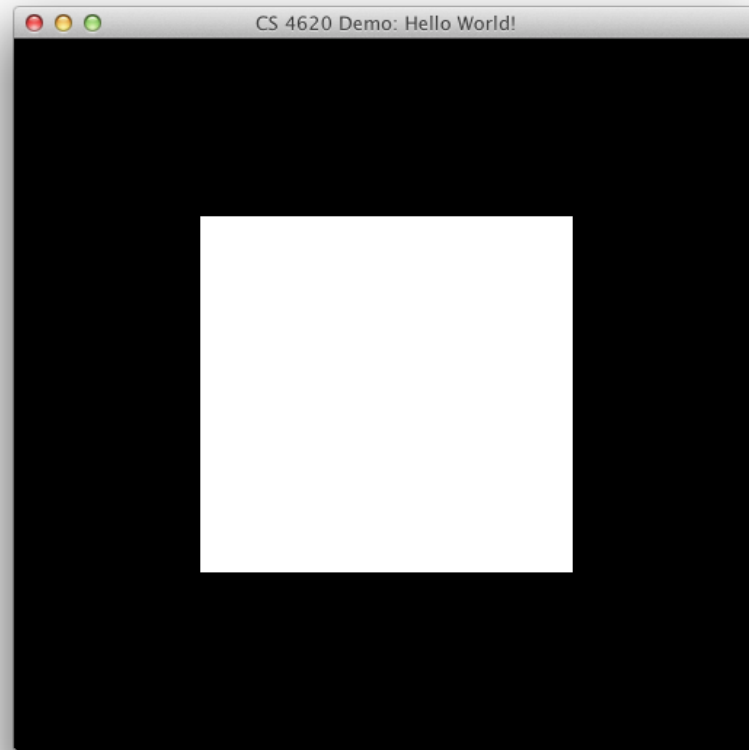
```
@Override
public void onExit(GameTime gameTime) {
    // Destruction, free allocated resources here
}
```

Events

- MainGame can trigger certain events
 - Something happens (e.g. user resizes window)
 - MainGame forwards event to the event dispatcher
 - KeyboardEventDispatcher
 - MouseEventDispatcher
 - Objects interested in the event can sign up as listeners
 - e.g. `KeyboardEventDispatcher.OnKeyPressed.add(...)`
- These events let us interact with OpenGL

OpenGL Commands and Resources

Demo: Hello World!



Example: Hello World's draw()

```
@Override
```

```
public void draw(GameTime gameTime) {  
    GL11.glClearColor(0.0f, 0.0f, 0.0f, 1.0f);  
    GL11.glClear(GL11.GL_COLOR_BUFFER_BIT);  
  
    program.use();  
  
    GLUniform.setST(program.getUniform("VP"),  
        new Matrix4(), false);  
    GLUniform.set(program.getUniform("uGridColor"),  
        new Vector4(1, 1, 1, 1));  
  
    vb.useAsAttrib(program.getAttribute("vPos"));  
    ib.bind();  
    GL11.glDrawElements(GL11.GL_TRIANGLES, indexCount,  
        GLType.UnsignedInt, 0);  
    ib.unbind();  
  
    GLProgram.unuse();  
}
```

Framework Commands

- `program.use()`
 - Set which shader program the pipeline will use to draw geometry
- `GLUniform.setST(program.getUniform("VP"), ...)`
 - Tell shader program to use the specified transformation as “VP”
- `GLUniform.set(program.getUniform("uGridColor"), ...)`
 - Tell shader program to use the specified color as “uGridColor”
- `GLProgram.unuse()`
 - Tell OpenGL we are done drawing for now
- **Each of these has OpenGL commands under the hood**

Framework Commands

- `vb.useAsAttrib(program.getAttribute("vPos"))`
 - Tell shader program to use “vb” as vertex buffer and access vertex position using “vPos”

- `ib.bind()`, `ib.unbind()`
 - Bind (and unbind) the index buffer to tell OpenGL about how we use the vertices in the vertex buffer

Why Have a Framework?

- You write:

```
vb.useAsAttrib(program.getAttribute("vPos"));
```

- Framework does:

```
GL15.glBindBuffer(GL11.GL_ARRAY_BUFFER, vb.id);  
GL15.glEnableVertexAttribArray(program.getAttribute("vPos"));  
GL15.glVertexAttribPointer(program.getAttribute("vPos"), componentCount,  
componentFormat, norm, elementByteSize, offset * elementByteSize);
```

- Annoying to retype full sequence of commands for every draw

Framework and GL Resources

- OpenGL API has “objects” that hold rendering resources
 - Geometry, textures, shader programs, etc.
- Framework represents these with Java classes
 - GLProgram (shader programs)
 - GLBuffer (used to specify geometry)
- Constructing an object creates OpenGL resource
 - Object's data lives in GPU memory
 - Allows faster access while rendering

OpenGL Commands

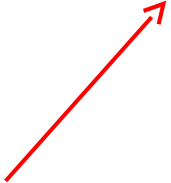
- Get OpenGL context that is already initialized
- API calls: `glxx.glSomeCommandName`
- `GL11.glClearColor(0.0f, 0.0f, 0.0f, 1.0f)`
 - Set black as the color to use when clearing the screen
- `GL11.glClear(GL11.GL_COLOR_BUFFER_BIT)`
 - Clear the display buffer using the color given by `glClearColor`
- `GL11.glDrawElements(...)`
 - Draw primitives (now triangles)

Command Naming

- In C,
 - commands = functions
 - No two functions can have the same name
 - Some commands take different arguments but do the same thing
- All are commands of the form:

gl <name> {1234} {b s i f d u b u s u i} {v}


Number of Arguments



Argument type



Argument is a vector (array)

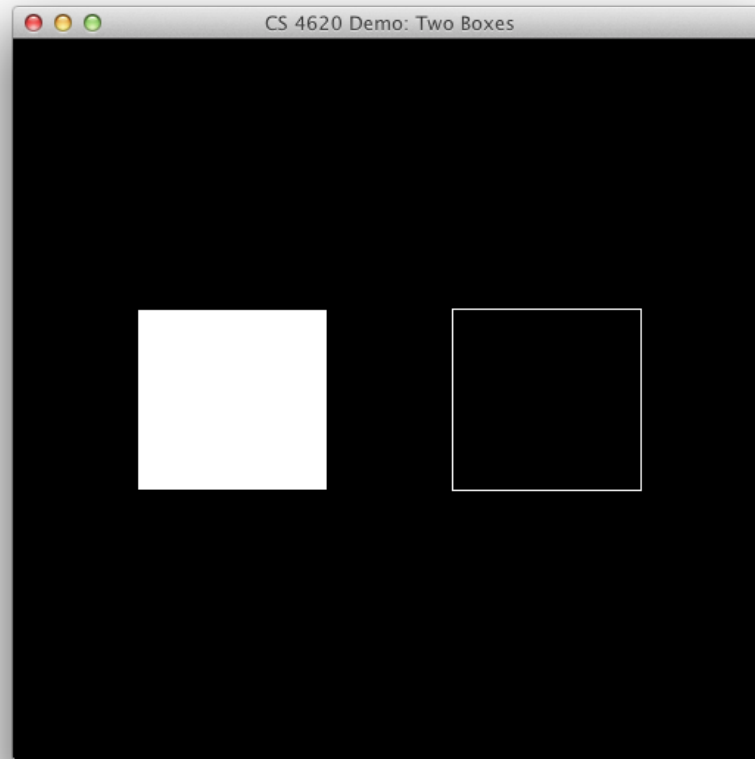


Argument Types in Command Names

Suffix	Data Type	Typical Corresponding C-Language Type	OpenGL Type Definition
b	8-bit integer	signed char	GLbyte
s	16-bit integer	short	GLshort
i	32-bit integer	long	GLint, GLsizei
f	32-bit floating-point	float	GLfloat, GLclampf
d	64-bit floating-point	double	GLdouble, GLclampd
ub	8-bit unsigned integer	unsigned char	GLubyte, GLboolean
us	16-bit unsigned integer	unsigned short	GLushort
ui	32-bit unsigned integer	unsigned long	GLuint, GLenum, GLbitfield

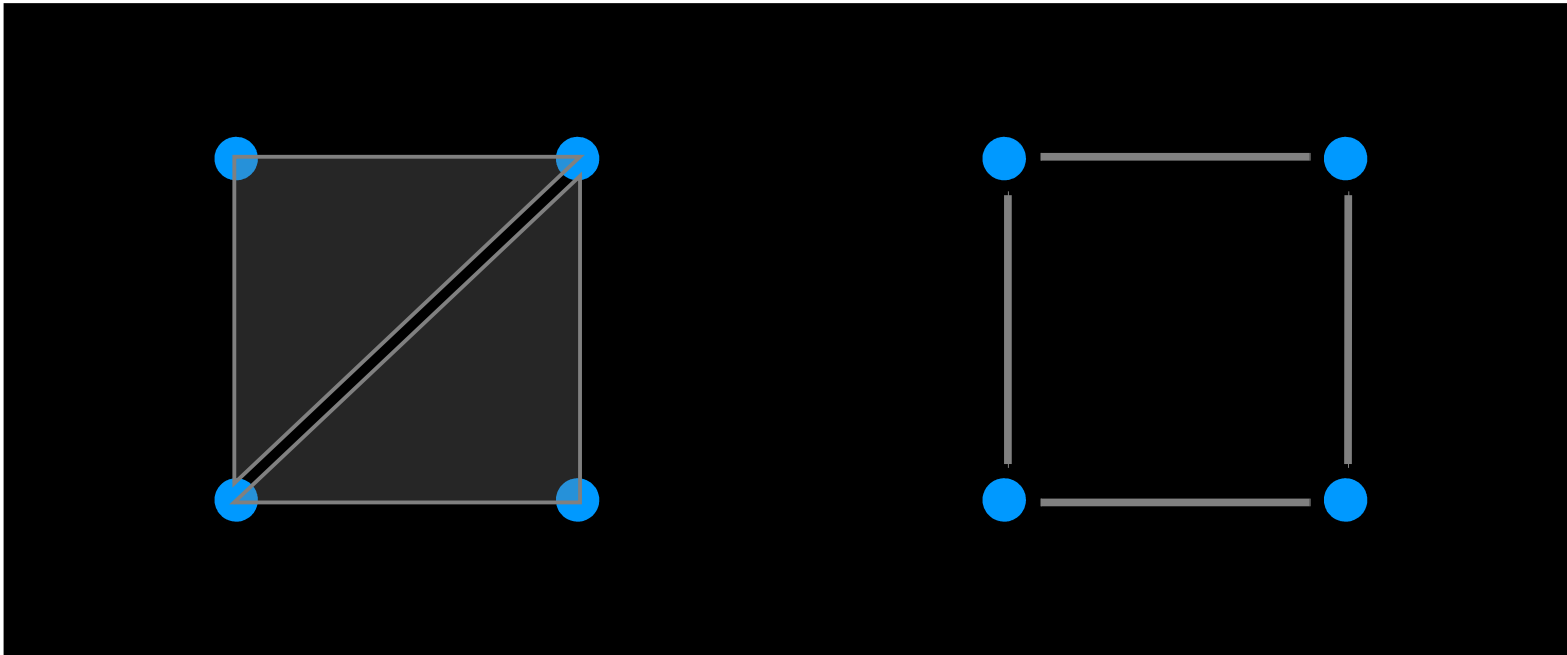
OpenGL Resources: Geometry

Demo: Two Boxes



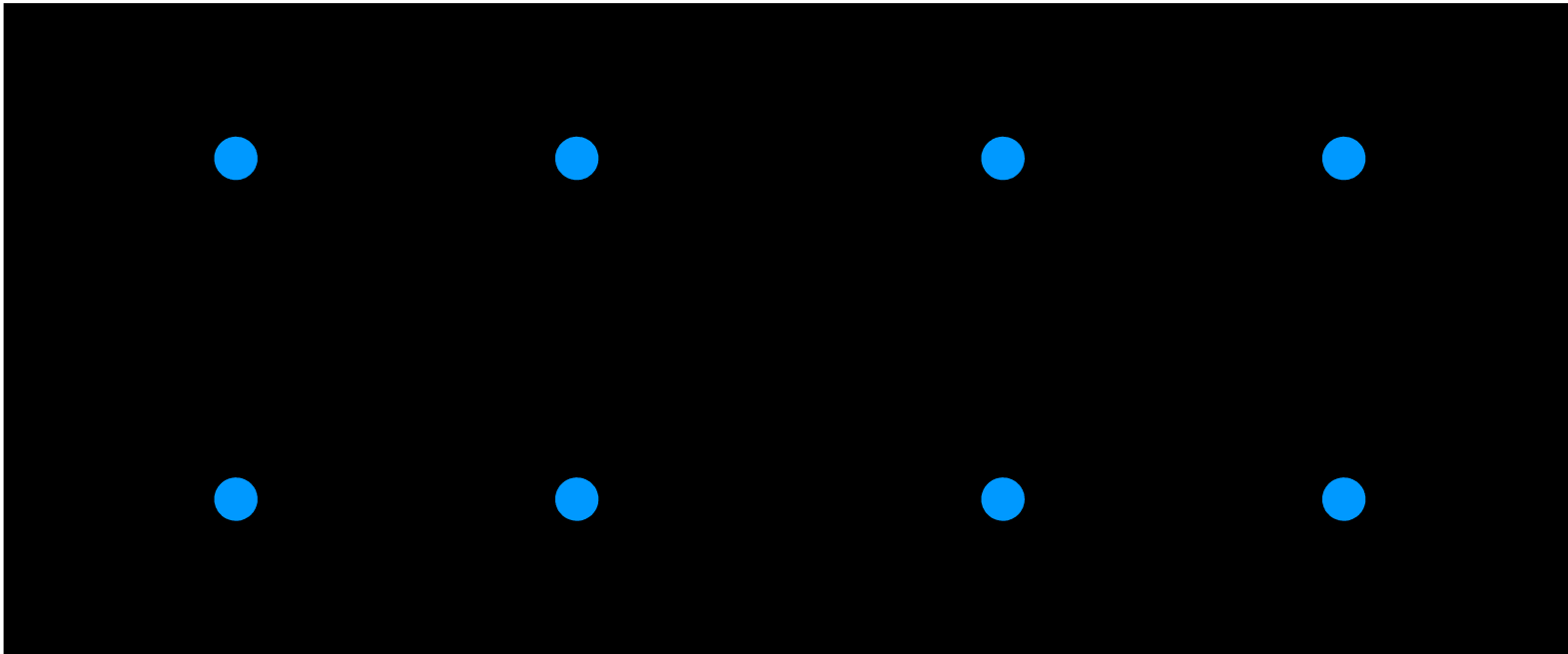
What We're Seeing

- Box on left: two triangles
- Box on right: four lines



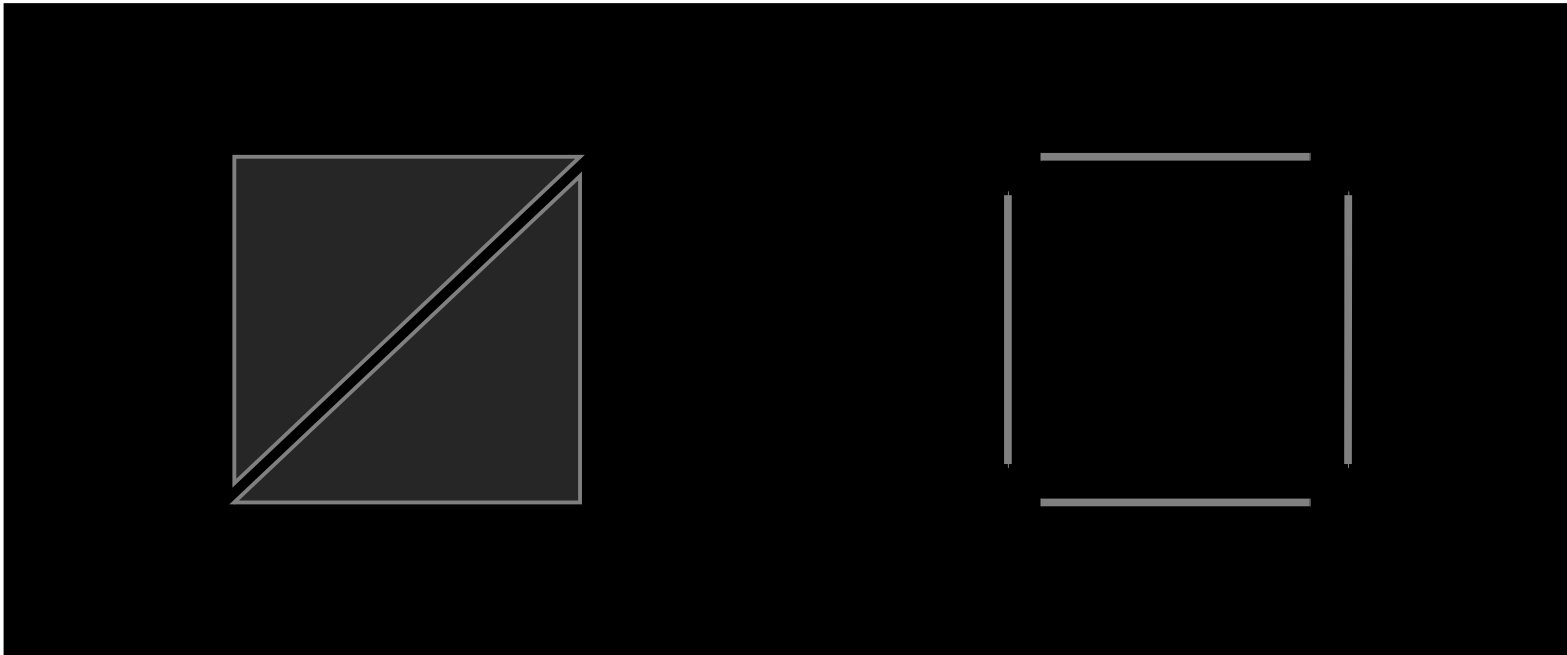
Vertices

- Foundation for all geometry
- OpenGL: specify with GLBuffer



Primitives

- Basic shapes built from vertices; e.g. triangles, lines
 - Assemble to build more complicated shapes
- OpenGL: specify both with GLBuffer

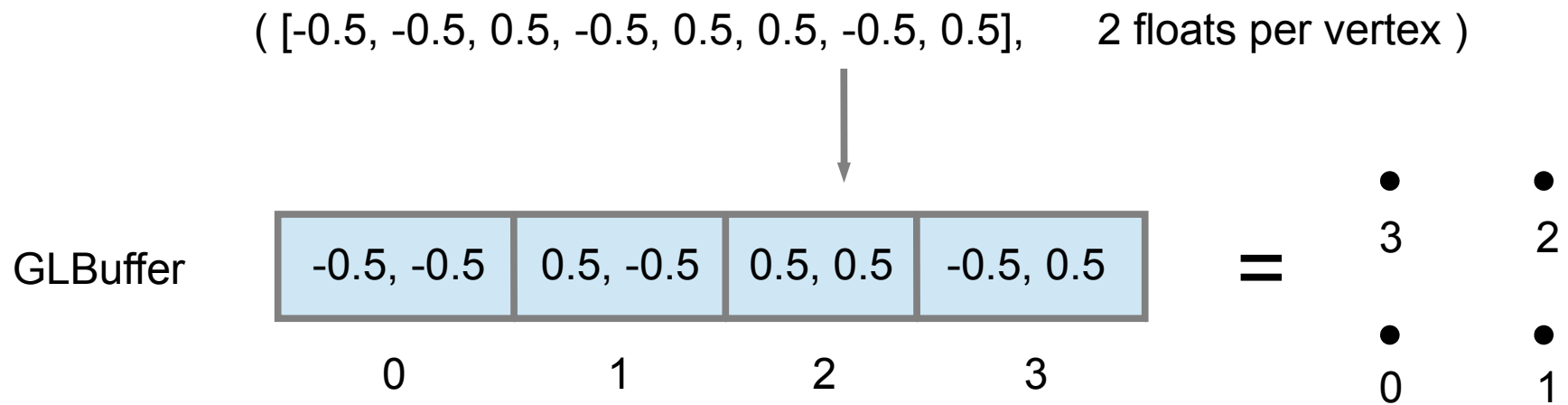


GLBuffer

- OpenGL object to store arrays like vertex positions, vertex colors, indices
- We have to specify:
 - How many component per element
 - Color: 3D vector
 - Position: 2D/3D vector
 - Index: 1D
 - Type of stored element components (int, float, double, ...)
 - Array of element components
 - The stored data itself

Specifying Vertices

- GLBuffer: store sequence of vertex positions
- Info needed:
 - Array of floats representing vertices
 - How many dimensions per vertex (2D? 3D?)



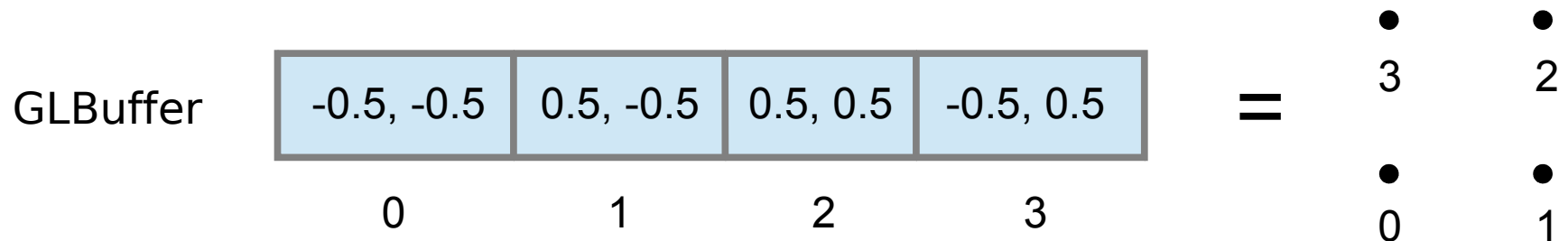
Specifying Vertices: TwoBoxes' init()

```
@Override
public void onEntry(GameTime gameTime) {
    // define vertex positions
    float [] vertexPositions = {
        -0.5f, -0.5f,    // vertex 0
        0.5f, -0.5f,    // vertex 1
        0.5f, 0.5f,     // vertex 2
        -0.5f, 0.5f     // vertex 3
    };

    GLBuffer vertexBuffer = GLBuffer.createAsVertex(
vertexPositions, 2, BufferUsageHint.StaticDraw);
    ...
}
```

Grouping Vertices into Primitives

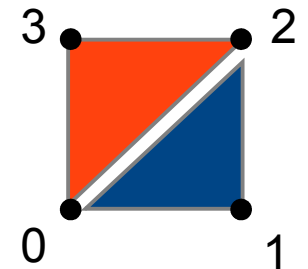
- GLBuffer gives vertices in some order



- Can re-order vertices to form primitives, so that:

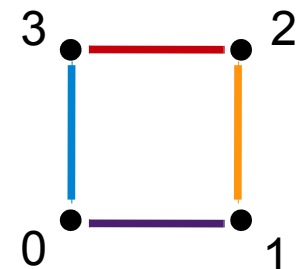
- Every three vertices form a triangle

[0, 1, 2, 0, 2, 3]



- Every two vertices form a line

[0, 1, 1, 2, 2, 3, 3, 0]



Grouping Vertices

- GLBuffer: store sequence of vertex indices
- Info needed:
 - List of integer indices

[0, 1, 2, 0, 2, 3]



0, 1, 2, 0, 2, 3

GLBuffer

[0, 1, 1, 2, 2, 3, 3, 0]

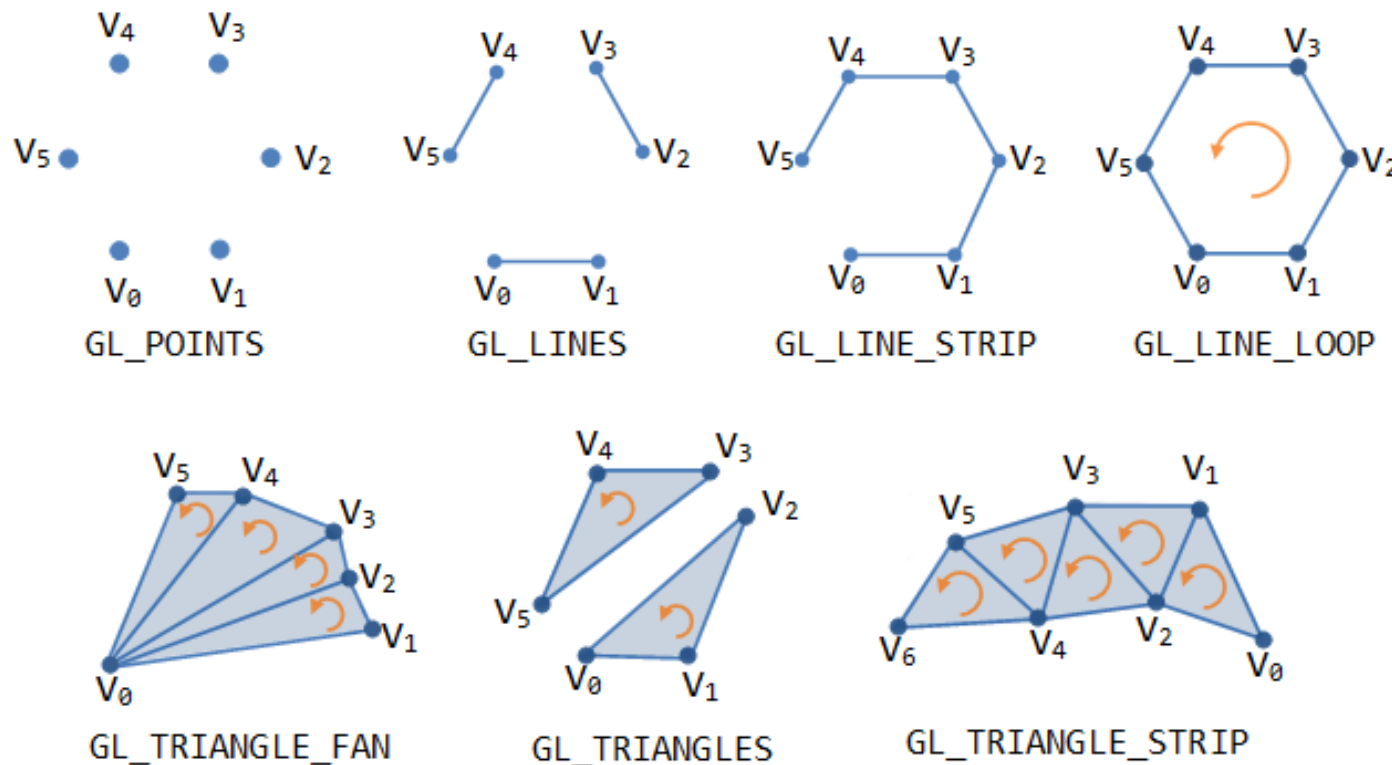


0, 1, 1, 2, 2, 3, 3, 0

GLBuffer

Ways to Group: GL Primitives

- OpenGL declares several primitive types
- Determine how to group a sequence of vertices into primitives

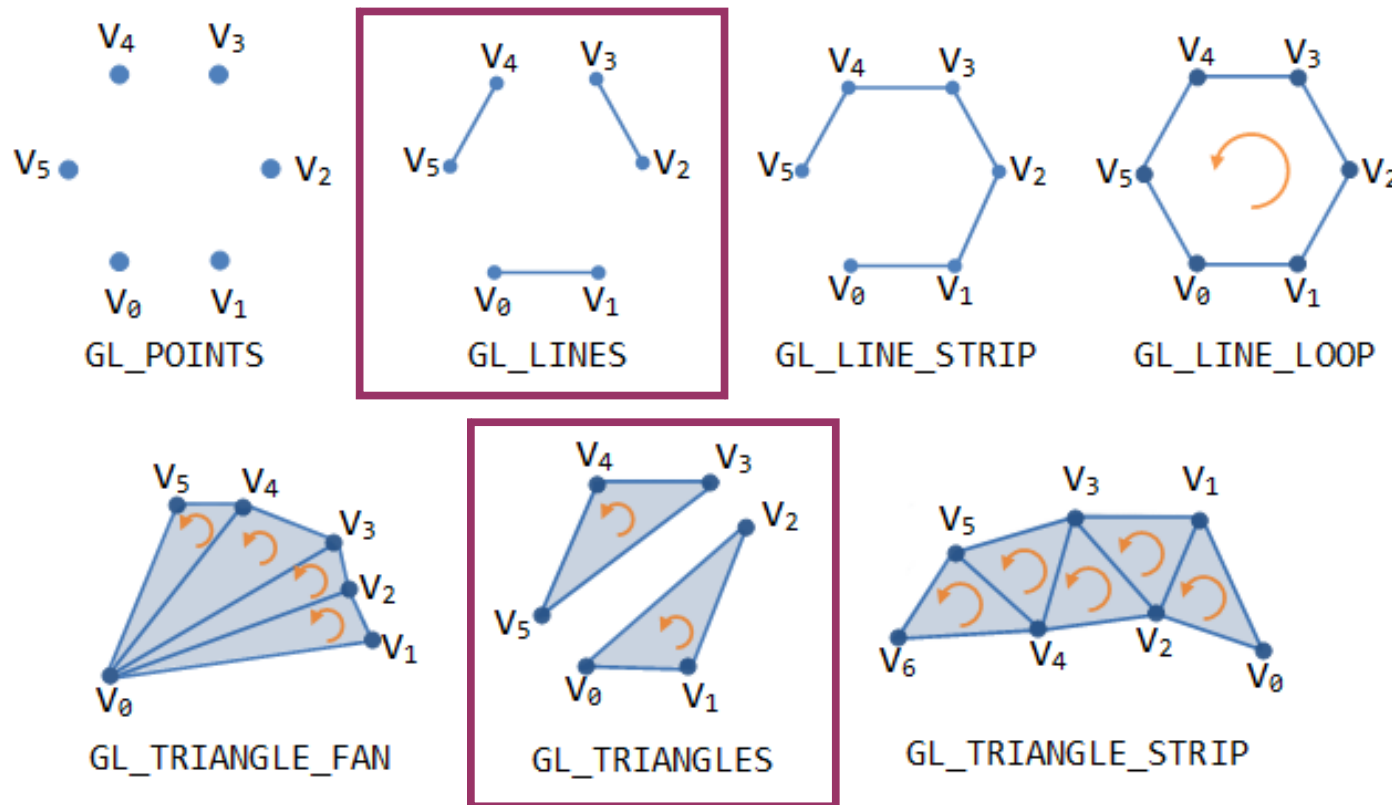


OpenGL Primitives

(adapted from http://www.ntu.edu.sg/home/ehchua/programming/opengl/CG_BasicsTheory.html)

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OpenGL Primitives

Putting it Together

- GLBuffer 0: what the vertices are
- GLBuffer 1 (index array): in what order to put them
- Primitive Type: how to group ordered vertices into primitives
- Together, fully describes geometry

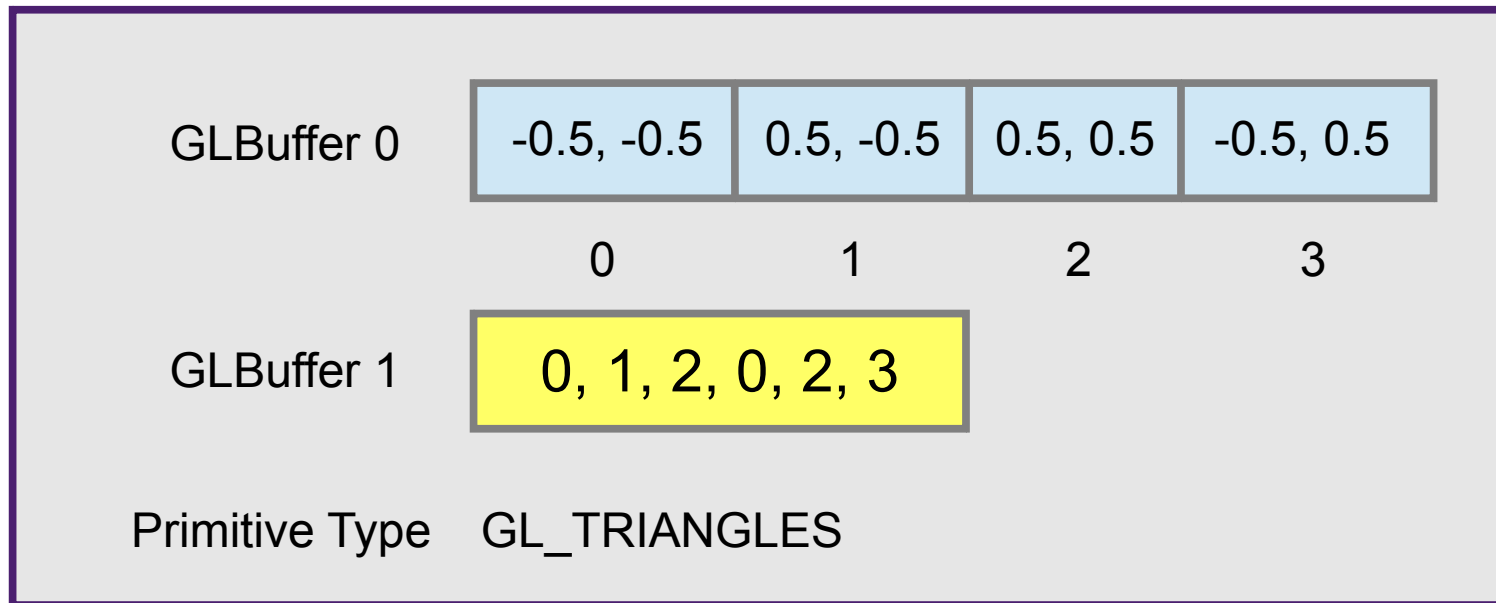
GLBuffer 0	-0.5, -0.5	0.5, -0.5	0.5, 0.5	-0.5, 0.5
	0	1	2	3

GLBuffer 1	0, 1, 2, 0, 2, 3
------------	------------------

Primitive Type `GL_TRIANGLES`

Putting it Together: Bindings

- Bind buffer elements to vertex attributes
- Bind indices to buffer in OpenGL
- Draw using OpenGL
- Info needed:
 - GLBuffer with vertice attributes, GLBuffer with indices, primitive type



Index arrays in TwoBoxes' onEntry()

```
... // earlier, filled GLBuffer vertexPositions

int [] linesIndices = {
    0, 1,
    1, 2,
    2, 3,
    3, 0
};
int [] trianglesIndices = {
    0, 1, 2,
    0, 2, 3
};
// make index buffers
ibLines = GLBuffer.createAsIndex(linesIndices,
    BufferUsageHint.StaticDraw);
indexCountLines = linesIndices.length;
ibTriangles = GLBuffer.createAsIndex(trianglesIndices,
    BufferUsageHint.StaticDraw);
indexCountTriangles = trianglesIndices.length;
...
```

TwoBoxes' draw()

```
...  
// Use box vertices we defined before  
vb.useAsAttrib(program.getAttribute("vPos"));  
  
// Setup transformations  
...  
// Binding indices and drawing  
    ibTriangles.bind();  
    GL11.glDrawElements(GL11.GL_TRIANGLES,  
        indexCountTriangles,  
        GLType.UnsignedInt, 0);  
    ibTriangles.unbind();  
  
// Setup transformations  
...  
// Binding indices and drawing  
    ibLines.bind();  
    GL11.glDrawElements(GL11.GL_LINES,  
        indexCountLines,  
        GLType.UnsignedInt, 0);  
    ibLines.unbind();
```

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        indexCountLines,
        GLType.UnsignedInt, 0);
    ibLines.unbind();
```

- Bind index array and say what primitives we will build
- One will make triangles, the other lines

TwoBoxes' draw()

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// Setup transformations
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    ibLines.bind();
    GL11.glDrawElements(GL11.GL_LINES,
        indexCountLines,
        GLType.UnsignedInt, 0);
    ibLines.unbind();
```

- Tell OpenGL how to order the vertices when building primitives
- Triangles and lines will need different vertex orders

TwoBoxes' draw()

```
...
// Use box vertices we defined before
vb.useAsAttrib(program.getAttribute("vPos"));





// Setup transformations
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    ibTriangles.bind();
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// Setup transformations
...
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    ibLines.bind();
    GL11.glDrawElements(GL11.GL_LINES,
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    ibLines.unbind();
```

- Both boxes use the same buffer with four vertices

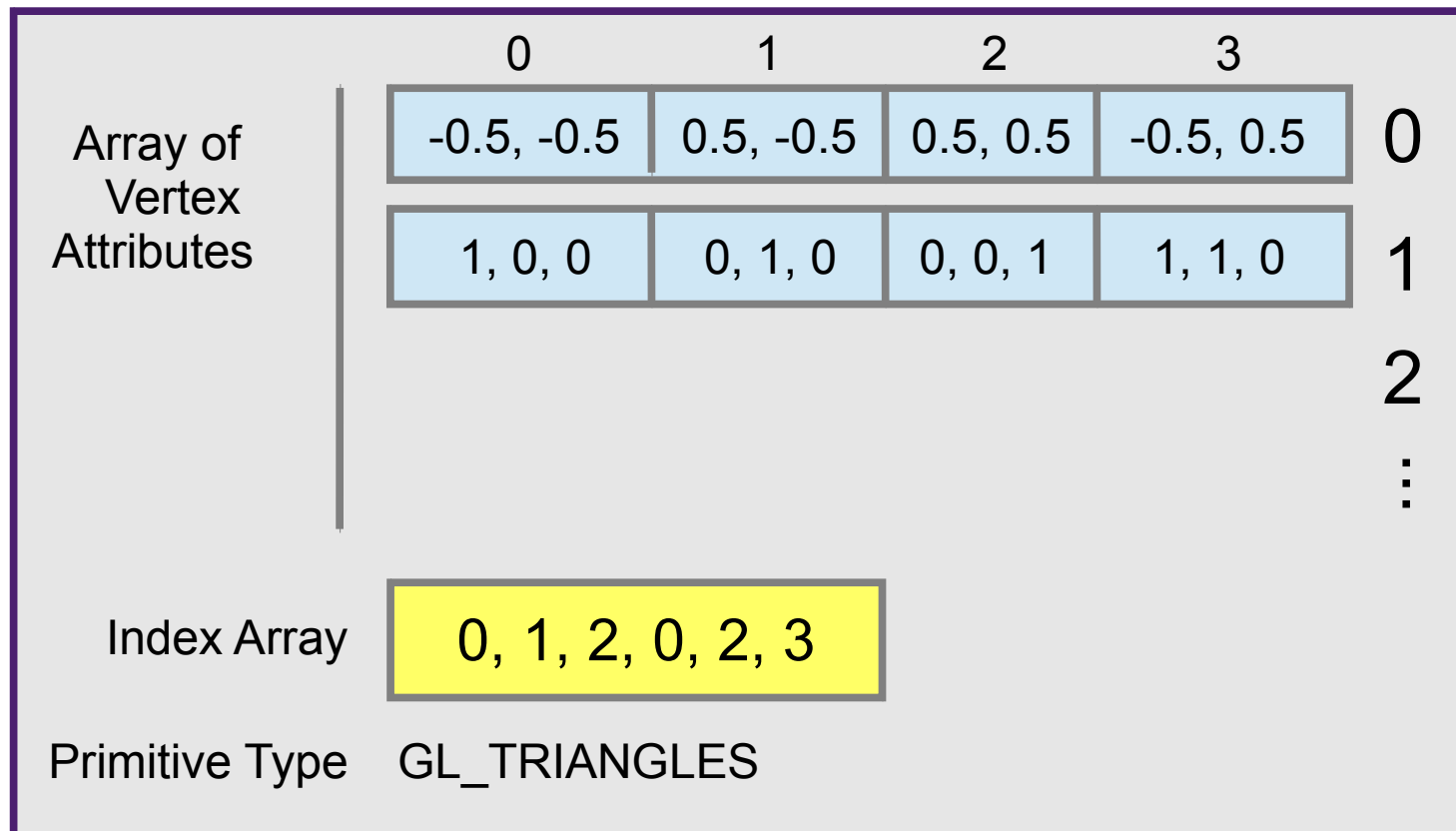
Vertices are More than Positions

- A vertex has a position
- But it can also have other attributes:
 - Normal vector
 - Color
 - Texture coordinate
 - etc.
- Use multiple GLBuffers to store this info

	0	1	2	3		
Positions	-0.5, -0.5	0.5, -0.5	0.5, 0.5	-0.5, 0.5		
					3	2
Colors	1, 0, 0	0, 1, 0	0, 0, 1	1, 1, 0		
					0	1

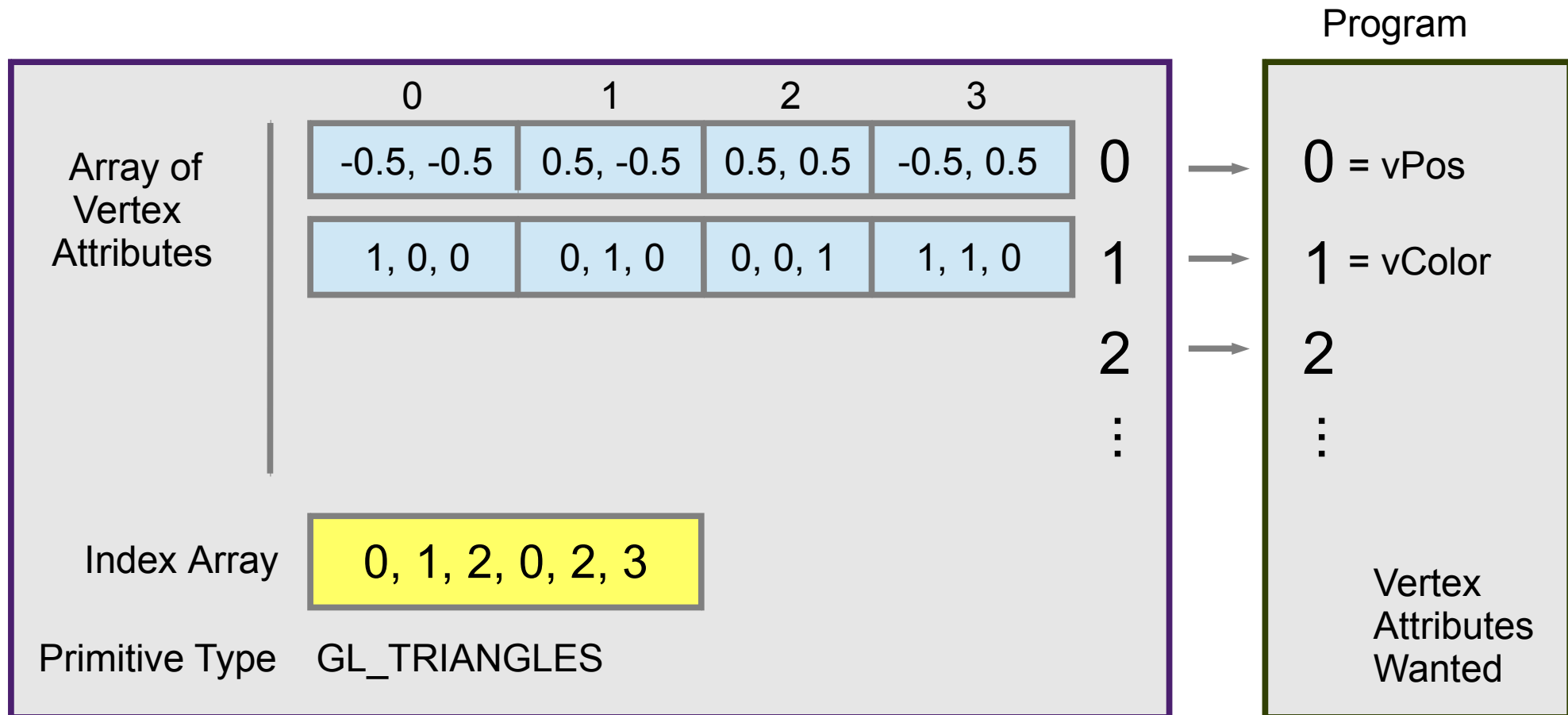
Multiple Vertex Attributes

- We can bind a GLBuffer to a vertex attribute
- We can use multiple attributes per vertex

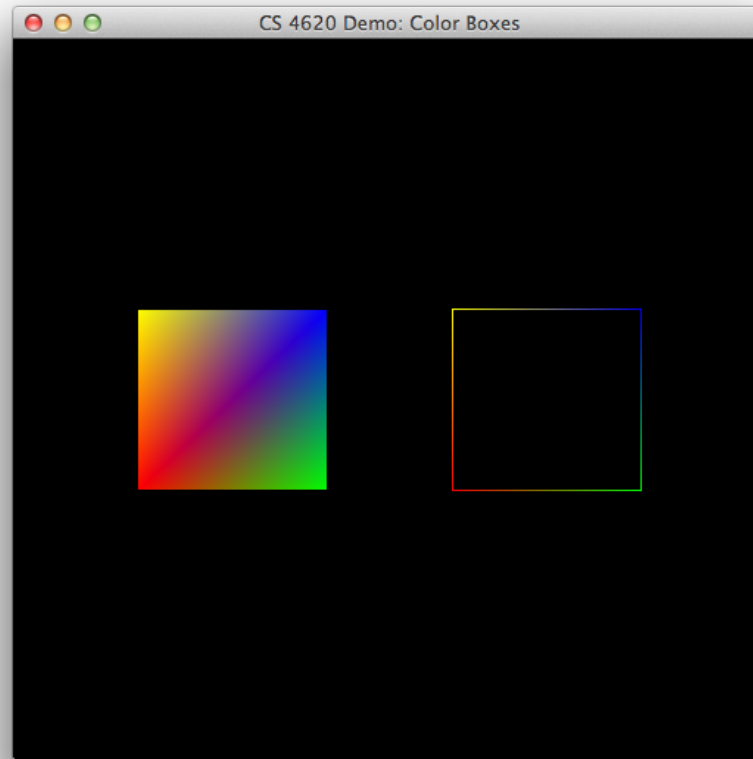


Attribute Bindings

- Shader program draws vertices using array of attributes
- Program declares a variable (vPos, vColor) for each attribute



Demo: Color Boxes



ColorBoxes' onEntry()

@Override

```
public void onEntry(GameTime gameTime) {
```

```
    ... // fill vertexBuffer as before
```

```
    float [] vertexColors = {  
        1.0f, 0.0f, 0.0f, // vertex 0  
        0.0f, 1.0f, 0.0f, // vertex 1  
        0.0f, 0.0f, 1.0f, // vertex 2  
        1.0f, 1.0f, 0.0f // vertex 3  
    };
```

```
    vbColor = GLBuffer.createAsVertex(vertexColors, 3,  
        BufferUsageHint.StaticDraw);
```

```
    ...
```

ColorBoxes' draw()

```
...  
// Use box vertex positions and colors as we defined before  
// Bind attribute array values to a variable in the shader  
  
vb.useAsAttrib(program.getAttribute("vPos"));  
vbColor.useAsAttrib(program.getAttribute("vColor"));  
  
// Draw the two boxes as we did before  
...
```


Transformations

Representing Transformations

- We will use Matrix3, Matrix4 classes

- Set matrix contents:

```
Matrix3 translate = new Matrix3(1.0f, 0.0f, 3.0f,  
                                0.0f, 1.0f, -4.0f,  
                                0.0f, 0.0f, 1.0f);
```

- Copy matrices:

```
Matrix3 translateAgain = new Matrix3(translate);
```

- Multiply matrices:

```
translate.mulBefore(translateAgain);  
// translate = translate * translateAgain
```

- Transform points:

```
Vector3 vert = new Vector3(2.0f, 0.0f, 1.0f);  
translate.mulPos(vert); // vert = translate * vert
```

Matrix3/4 Class

- Static functions provide various useful transformation matrices
 - Identity matrices
 - Translations, scales, rotations
 - Projection matrices

Transforming a Vertex

- GLBuffer gives vertices to shader program
- Program transforms them onto screen before drawing

$$\text{Screen position} = \begin{bmatrix} \text{Transformation} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} px \\ py \\ pz \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

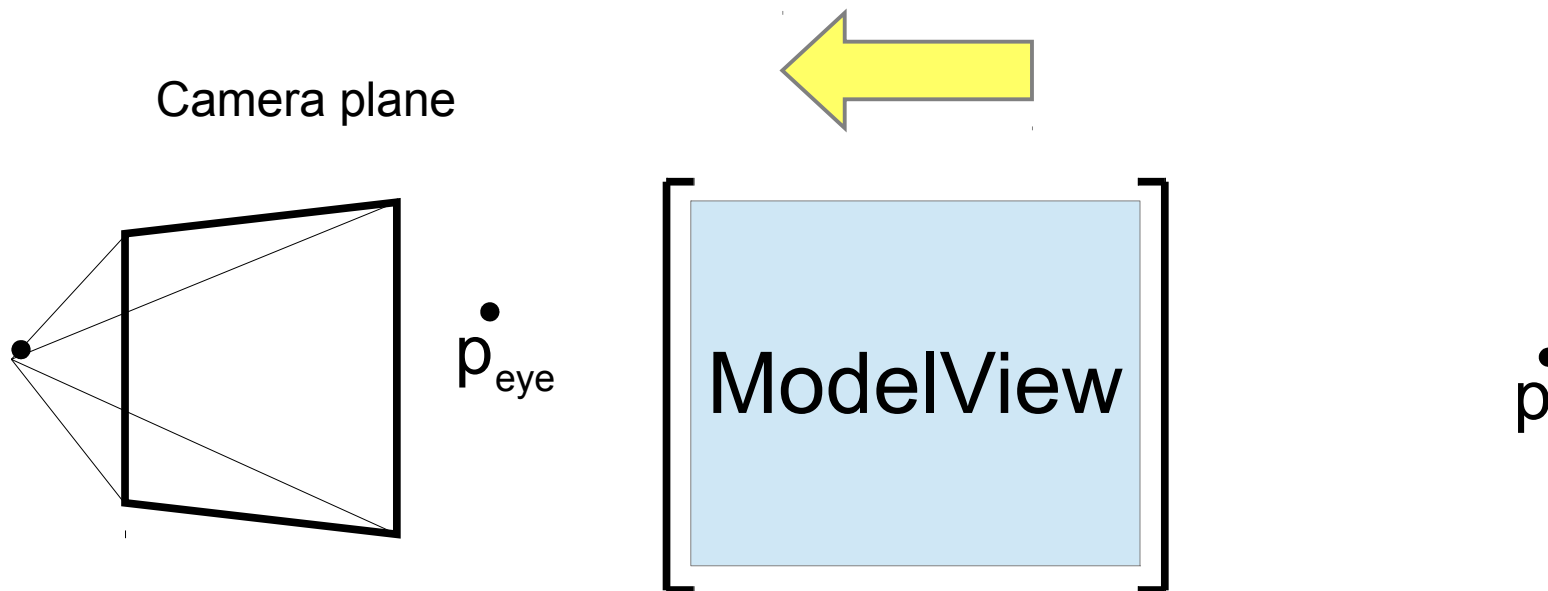
Transforming a Vertex

- Applies two transforms: Projection and ModelView
- Very basic description now (we have previously discussed this topic)

$$\text{Screen position} = \begin{bmatrix} \text{Projection} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \text{ModelView} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} px \\ py \\ pz \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

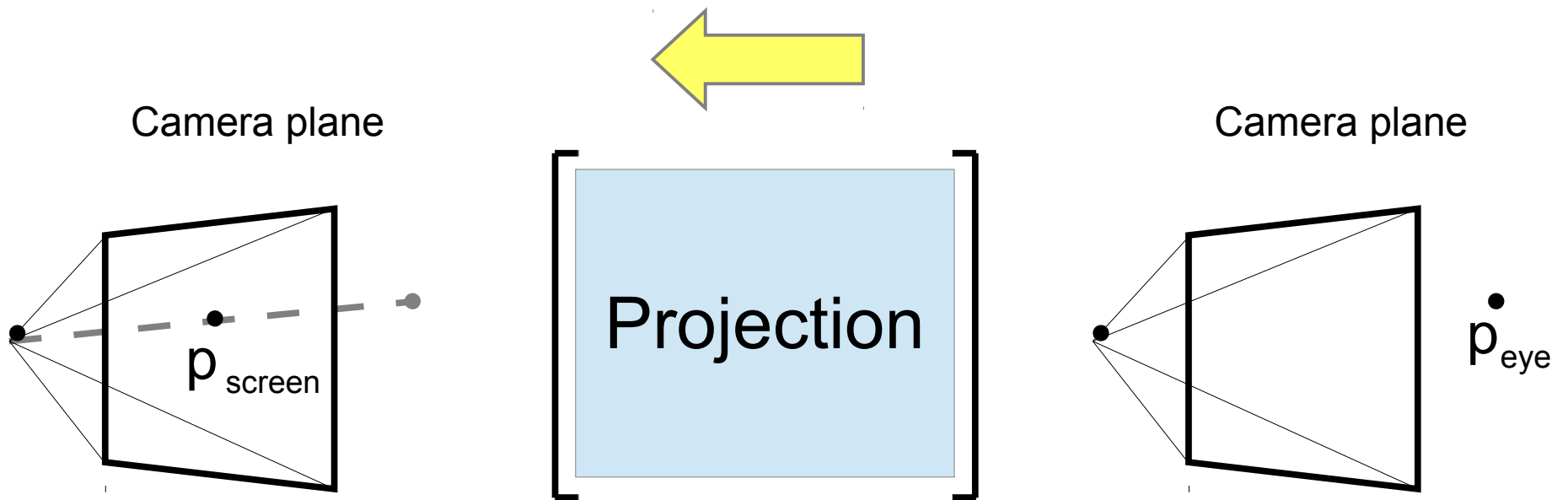
ModelView matrix

- Transforms vertex into coordinates of the viewer
- Modify matrix to transform objects to different places



Projection matrix

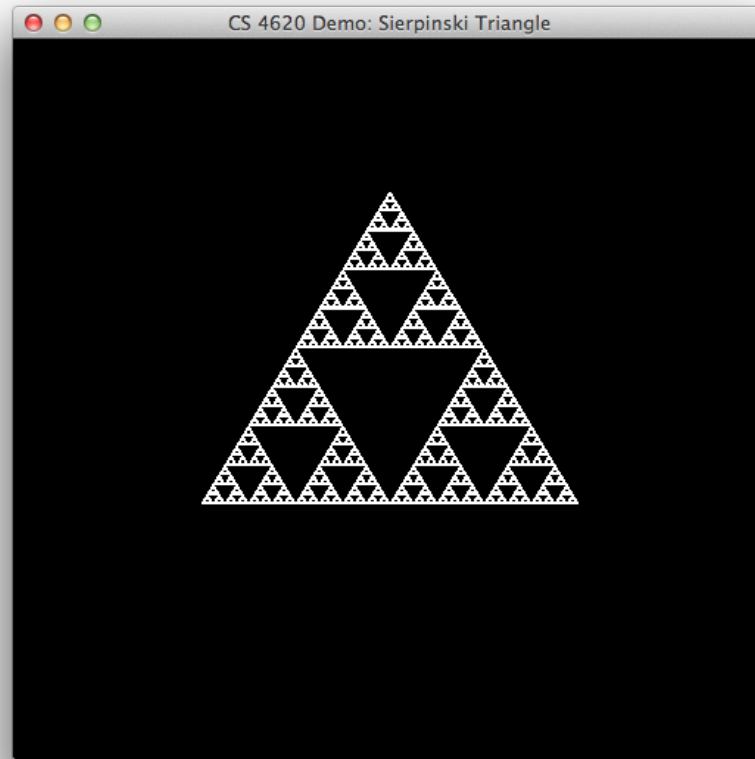
- Projects point down onto camera plane
- Usually set matrix once at beginning of draw()



Setting Matrices

- You tell the shader program what matrices to use
 - `GLUniform.setST(program.getUniform("VP"), tr, false);`
 - You can bind a matrix to a variable in the shader, similarly to vertex attributes
- **Program keeps drawing with the same matrices until you change them**
- Common use pattern:
 - `GLUniform.setST(program.getUniform("tr"), transformForThisObject, false);`
 - `GL11.glDrawElements(...)`
 - Define other transformation
 - Draw something else

Demo: Sierpinski Triangle



Sierpinski's draw()

```
@Override
public void draw(GameTime gameTime) {
    GL11.glClearColor(0.0f, 0.0f, 0.0f, 1.0f);
    GL11.glClear(GL11.GL_COLOR_BUFFER_BIT);

    program.use();

    GLUniform.set(program.getUniform("uGridColor"),
        new Vector4(1, 1, 1, 1));

    // Use box vertices
    vb.useAsAttrib(program.getAttribute("vPos"));

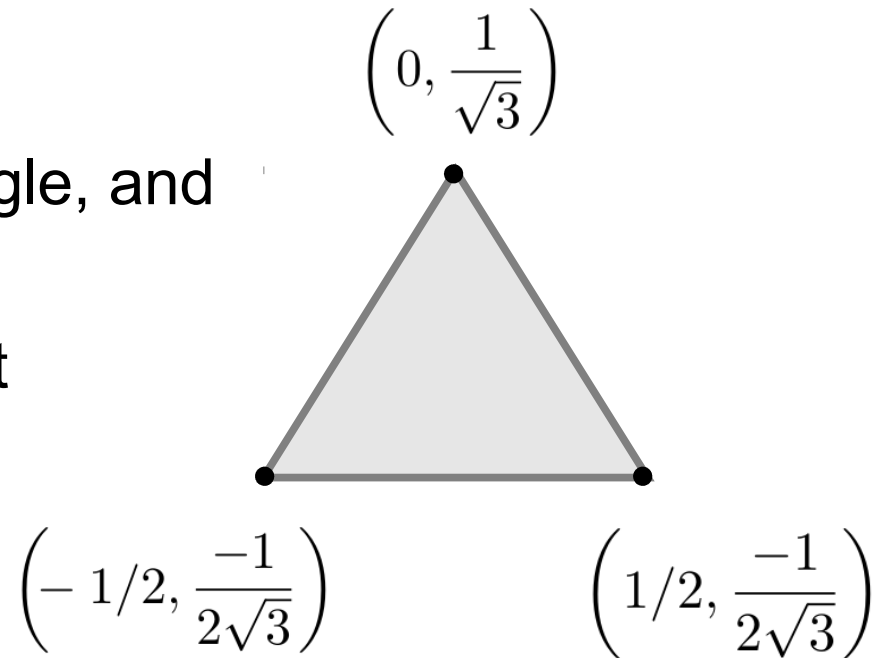
    // Transformation
    Matrix4 tr = new Matrix4();
    tr.mulAfter(Matrix4.createTranslation(
        new Vector3(0.0f, -(float)Math.sqrt(3)/6, 0.0f)));

    sierpinski(ibLines, tr, 10);

    GLProgram.unuse();
}
```

Recursively Drawing Fractal

- `sierpinski(gl, tr, k)`:
 - Draw a level- k Sierpinski triangle, and
 - transform by `tr`
 - $k = 0$: draw triangle to the right



- Recursively: at level k , draw three $k-1$ Sierpinski triangles, transforming them to the three corners of the triangle

sierpinski()

```
public void sierpinski(GLBuffer lines, Matrix4 tr, int k) {
    if (k == 0) {
        GLUniform.setST(program.getUniform("VP"), tr, false);

        // Draw the triangle
        ibLines.bind();
        GL11.glDrawElements(GL11.GL_LINES, indexCountLines, GLType.UnsignedInt, 0);
        ibLines.unbind();
    } else {
        Matrix4 next;

        //draw the up triangle
        next = new Matrix4(tr);
        next.mulAfter(Matrix4.createScale(new Vector3(0.5f, 0.5f, 0.5f)));
        next.mulAfter(Matrix4.createTranslation(new Vector3(0.0f,
            0.5f / (float)Math.sqrt(3.0f), 0.0f)));
        sierpinski(lines, next, k-1);

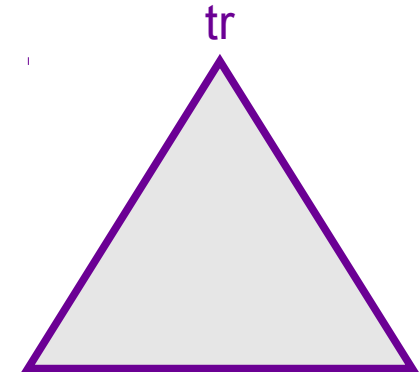
        //draw the right triangle
        next = new Matrix4(tr);
        next.mulAfter(Matrix4.createScale(new Vector3(0.5f, 0.5f, 0.5f)));
        next.mulAfter(Matrix4.createTranslation(new Vector3(0.25f,
            -0.25f / (float)Math.sqrt(3.0f), 0.0f)));
        sierpinski(lines, next, k-1);

        //draw the left triangle
        next = new Matrix4(tr);
        next.mulAfter(Matrix4.createScale(new Vector3(0.5f, 0.5f, 0.5f)));
        next.mulAfter(Matrix4.createTranslation(new Vector3(-0.25f,
            -0.25f / (float)Math.sqrt(3.0f), 0.0f)));
        sierpinski(lines, next, k-1);
    }
}
```

sierpinski()

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        ibLines.bind();  
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        ibLines.unbind();  
    } else {
```

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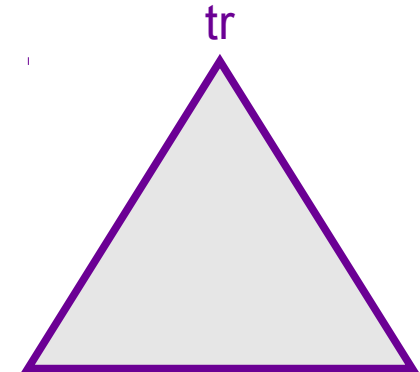


```
}
```

```
}
```

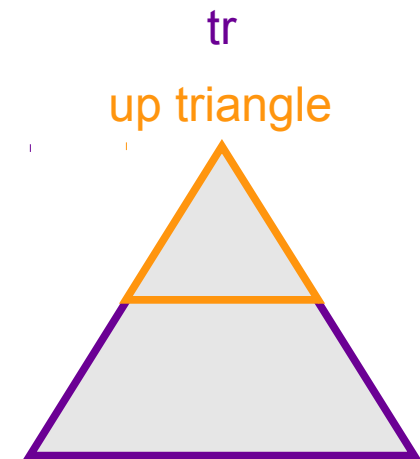
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    [...]  
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        //draw the up triangle  
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        next.mulAfter(Matrix4.createTranslation(  
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        sierpinski(lines, next, k-1);  
  
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    }  
}
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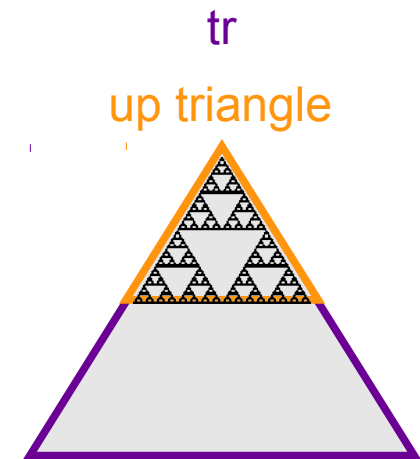
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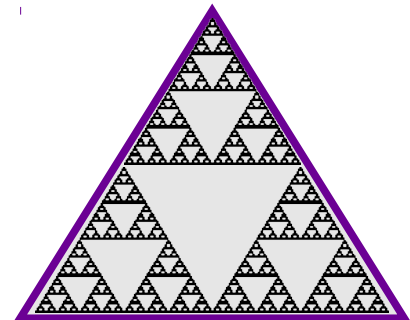
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public void sierpinski(GLBuffer lines, Matrix4 tr, int k) {
    if (k == 0) {
        GLUniform.setST(program.getUniform("VP"), tr, false);

        // Draw the triangle
        ibLines.bind();
        GL11.glDrawElements(GL11.GL_LINES, indexCountLines, GLType.UnsignedInt, 0);
        ibLines.unbind();
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        sierpinski(lines, next, k-1);

        //draw the right triangle
        next = new Matrix4(tr);
        next.mulAfter(Matrix4.createScale(new Vector3(0.5f, 0.5f, 0.5f)));
        next.mulAfter(Matrix4.createTranslation(new Vector3(0.25f,
            -0.25f / (float)Math.sqrt(3.0f), 0.0f)));
        sierpinski(lines, next, k-1);

        //draw the left triangle
        next = new Matrix4(tr);
        next.mulAfter(Matrix4.createScale(new Vector3(0.5f, 0.5f, 0.5f)));
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Books and resources

