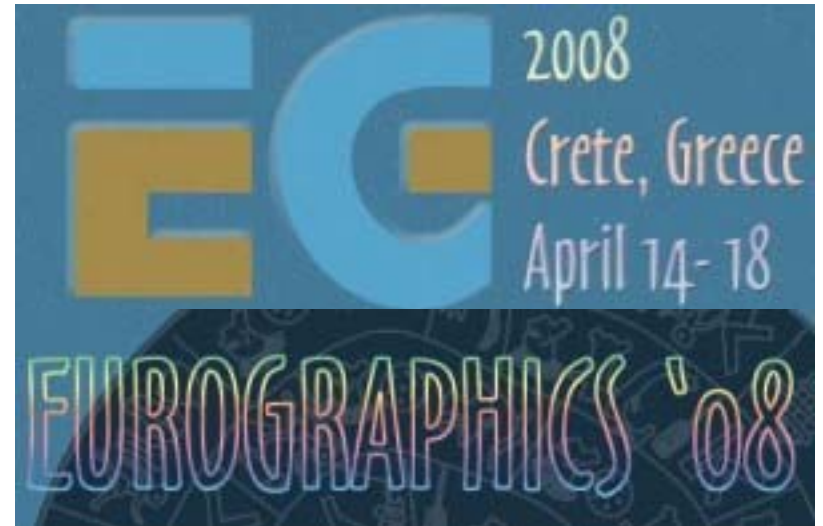




Mobile 3D Graphics



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Today's program: Morning

Start at 9:00

Intro & OpenGL ES
overview

40 min, Kari Pulli

Using OpenGL ES 1.x

45 min, Jani Vaarala

OpenGL ES on PyS60

5 min, Kari Pulli

Break 10:30 – 11:00

OpenGL ES
performance
considerations

40 min, Ville Miettinen

OpenGL ES 2.0

50 min, Robert Simpson

Break 12:30

Today's program: Afternoon

Start at 14:00

M3G Intro

5 min, Kari Pulli

M3G API overview

60 min, Tomi Aarnio

M3G in the Real World 1

25 min, Mark Callow

Break 15:30 – 16:00

M3G in the Real World 2

55 min, Mark Callow

M3G 2.0

25 min, Tomi Aarnio

Closing & Q&A

10 min, Kari Pulli

Finish at 17:30

Mobility is HUGE...

3.3 Billion mobile phone subscriptions (11/29/07) [Informa]

1.3 Billion internet users (900 Million PC users)

Mobile devices already outnumber PCs 5:1

In some growth markets this is closer to 10:1

1.5 Billion TV sets

By the end of 2010 ~60M people globally will be watching TV on their mobile phones. (Streaming services > 20M, broadcast networks ~40M.) *Infonetics 11/2007*

1.4 Billion people with credit cards

1.14 Billion handsets sold in 2007

456 Million by Nokia

133.5 Million in Q4 (1.5 Million per day, ~17Hz)

2 Billion active users of SMS text messaging (\$ 100B in 2007)

800 Million active users of email (1.4 Billion email addresses)

Challenge? Power!

Power is the ultimate bottleneck

Usually not plugged to wall, just batteries

Batteries don't follow Moore's law

Only 5-10% per year



Challenge? Power!



Gene's law

"power use of integrated circuits decreases exponentially" over time => batteries will last longer

Since 1994, the power required to run an IC has declined 10x every 2 years

But the performance of 2 years ago is not enough

Pump up the speed

Use up the power savings

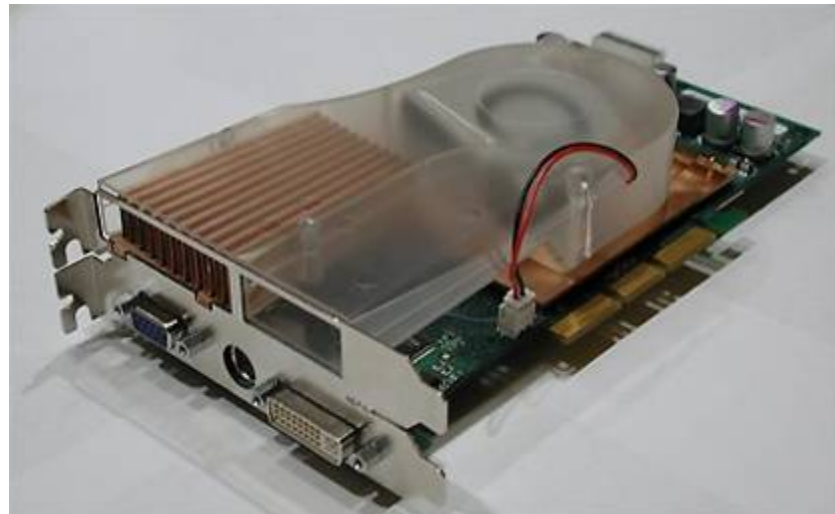
Challenge? Thermal mgt!

But ridiculously good batteries still won't be the miracle cure

The devices are small

Generated power must get out

No room for fans



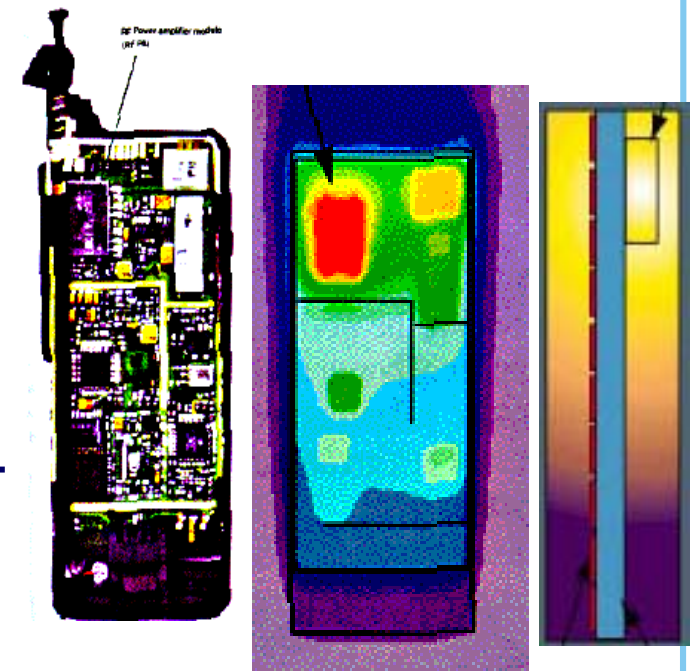
Challenge? Thermal mgt!

Thermal management must be considered early in the design

Hot spot would fry electronics

Or at least inconvenience the user...

Conduct the heat through the walls, and finally release to the ambient



Changed?

Displays!

Resolution

84 x 48 -> 176 x 208 -> 320 x 240

Communicators: 640 x 200 -> 800 x 352

Internet tablets like N800: 800 x 480

Color depth

gray scale 1 -> 2 -> 4 -> 8 bit

RGB 12 -> 16 -> 18 -> 24 bit



Changed?

Displays!

Color gamut

2005: 38 % NTSC gamut

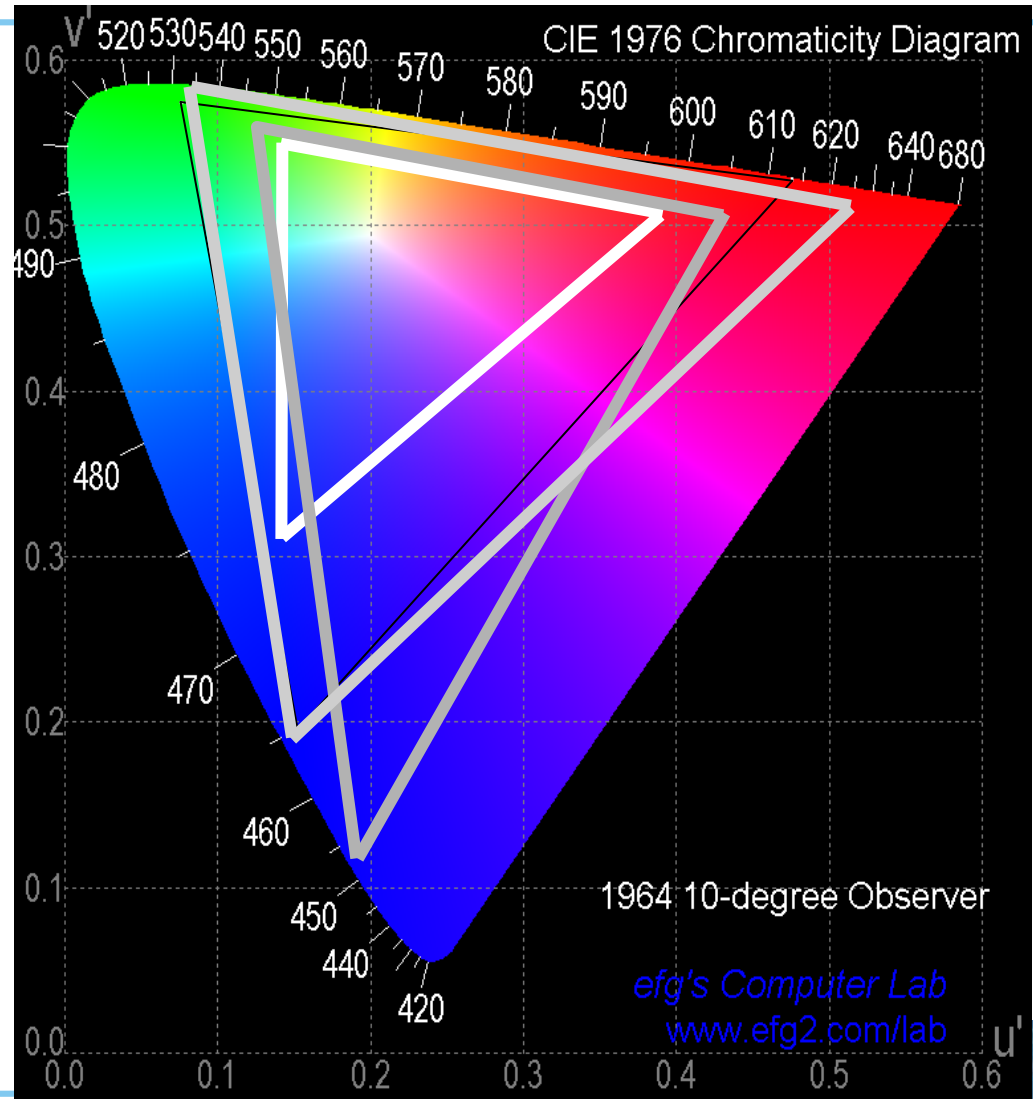
- Nokia 6600

2006: 75 % NTSC gamut

- Nokia 6131

2007: 100 % NTSC gamut

- OLED displays
- Nokia 8300



Future? Displays!

Physical size remains limited

TV-out connection

Near-eye displays?

Projectors?

Roll-up flexible displays?



allaboutsymbian.com



Changed? Computation!

Moore's law in action

3410: ARM 7 @ 26MHz

Not much caching, narrow bus

6600: ARM 9 @ 104MHz

Decent caching, better bus

6630: ARM 9 @ 220MHz

Faster memories

N93: ARM 11 @ 330MHz

HW floating-point unit

3D HW



Evolution of a computer

Mainframe computer



Mini computer



Personal computer



Laptop computer



Multimedia Computer



Changed?

Imaging

3410

no camera

6600

640 x 480 still, 176 x 144 video 6-15 fps

6630

1280 x 960 still

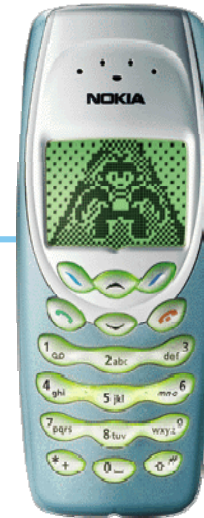
176 x 144 video 15 fps

N93

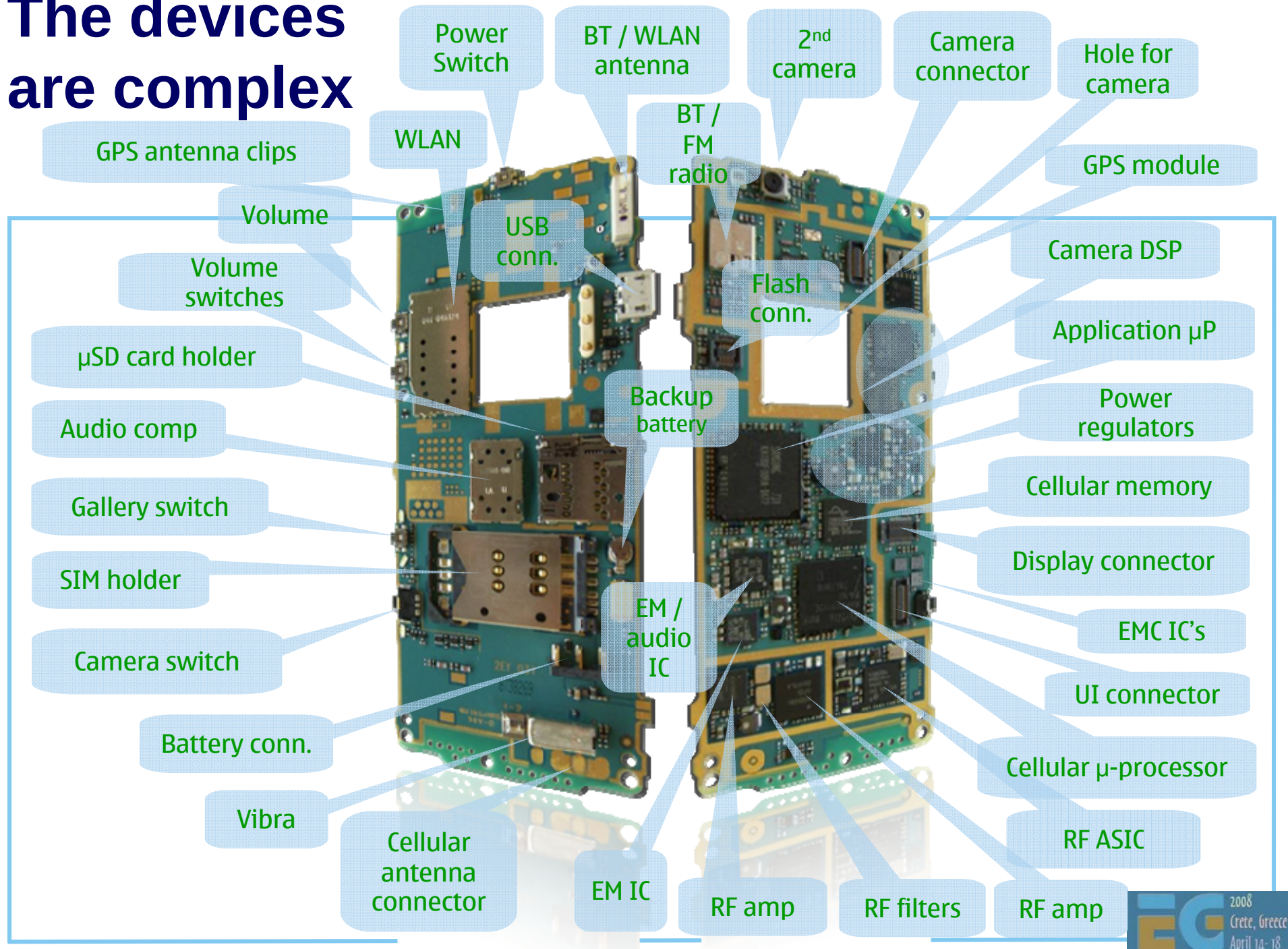
2048 x 1536 still, 640 x 480 video 30 fps

3x optical zoom

Carl-Zeiss Vario-Tessar lens



The devices are complex



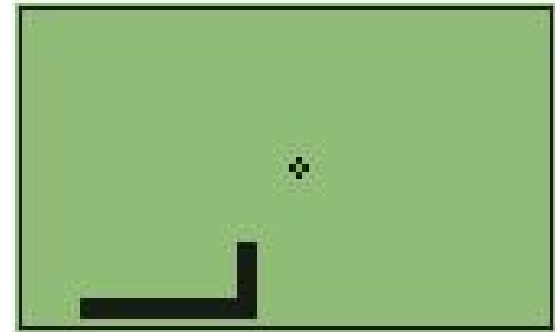
State-of-the-art in 2001: GSM world

The world's most played
electronic game?

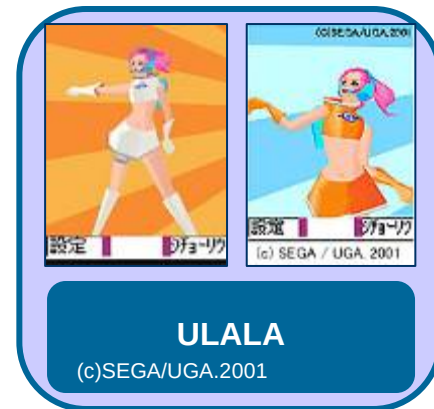
According to The Guardian
(May 2001)

Communicator demo 2001

Remake of a 1994 Amiga demo
<10 year from PC to mobile



State-of-the-art in 2001: Japan



High-level API with skinning, flat shading /
texturing, orthographic view

State-of-the-art in 2002: GSM world

3410 shipped in May 2002

A SW engine: a subset of OpenGL
including full perspective (even textures)

3D screensavers (artist created content)

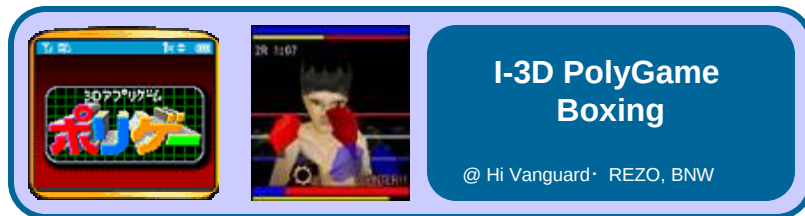
FlyText screensaver (end-user content)

a 3D game



State-of-the-art in 2002: Japan

Gouraud shading,
semi-transparency,
environment maps



3d menu



State-of-the-art in 2003: GSM world

N-Gage ships

Lots of proprietary 3D engines
on various Series 60 phones



Fathammer's
Geopod
on XForge



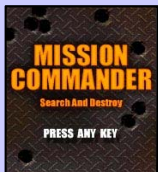
State-of-the-art in 2003: Japan

Perspective view,
low-level API



Ridge Racer

© Namco



Mission Commander

Multi player Fps Game

© IT Telecom



Mobile 3D in 2004

6630 shipped late 2004

First device to have both
OpenGL ES 1.0 (for C++) and
M3G (a.k.a JSR-184, for Java) APIs

Sharp V602SH in May 2004

OpenGL ES 1.0 capable HW
but API not exposed

Java / MascotCapsule API



2005 and beyond: HW



Mobile graphics evolution snapshot

Spider-Man 2: The Hero Returns
Sony Pictures



2D

Spider-Man 2 3D: NY Subway
Sony Pictures



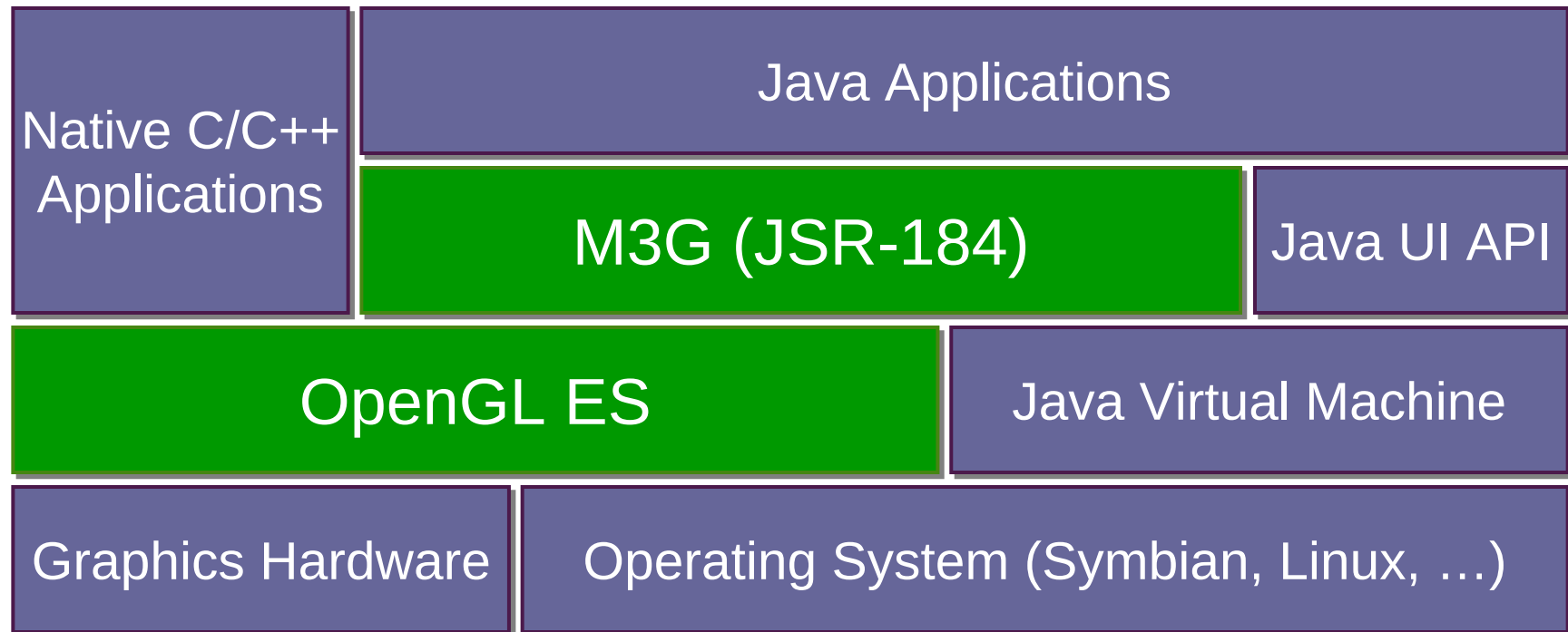
Software 3D

Spider-Man 2
Activision



Accelerated 3D

Mobile 3D APIs



Overview: OpenGL ES

Background: OpenGL & OpenGL ES

OpenGL ES 1.0

OpenGL ES 1.1

EGL: the glue between OS and OpenGL ES

How can I get it and learn more?

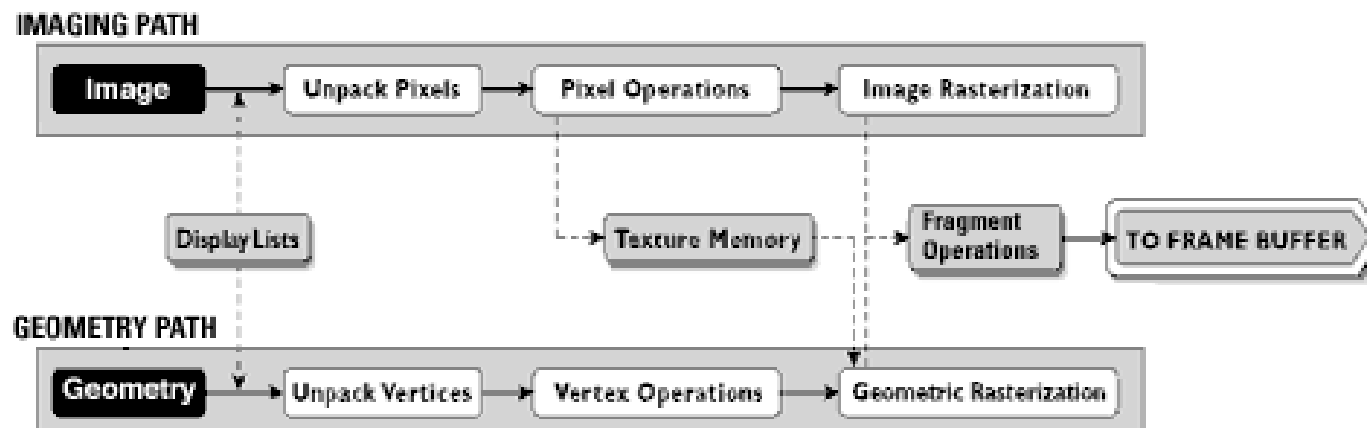
What is OpenGL?

The most widely adopted graphics standard

most OS's, thousands of applications

Map the graphics process into a pipeline

matches HW well



modeling
↓
projecting
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clipping
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lighting & shading
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texturing
↓
hidden surface
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blending
↓
pixels to screen

A foundation for higher level APIs

Open Inventor; VRML / X3D; Java3D; game engines

What is OpenGL ES?

OpenGL is just too big for Embedded Systems with limited resources

memory footprint, floating point HW

Create a new, compact API

mostly a subset of OpenGL

that can still do almost all OpenGL can



OpenGL ES 1.0 design targets

Preserve OpenGL structure

Eliminate un-needed functionality

redundant / expensive / unused

Keep it compact and efficient

$\leq 50\text{KB}$ footprint possible, without HW FPU

Enable innovation

allow extensions, harmonize them

Align with other mobile 3D APIs (M3G / JSR-184)

Adoption

Symbian OS, S60

Brew

PS3 / Cell architecture

Sony's arguments: Why ES over OpenGL

- OpenGL drivers contain many features not needed by game developers
- ES designed primarily for interactive 3D app devs
- Smaller memory footprint

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OpenGL ES Pipe

Here's the
OpenGL ES
pipeline stages

vertices

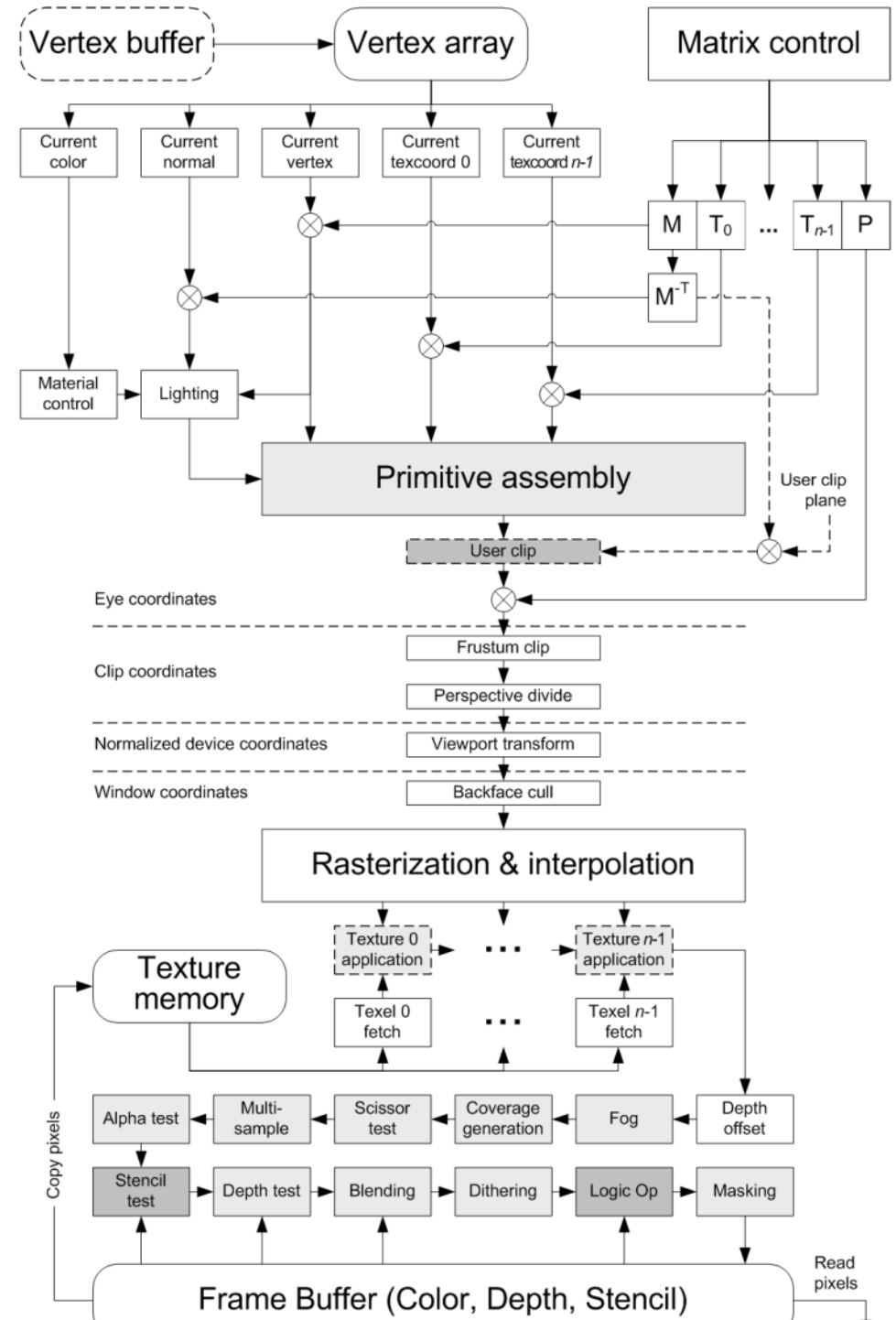
primitives

fragments

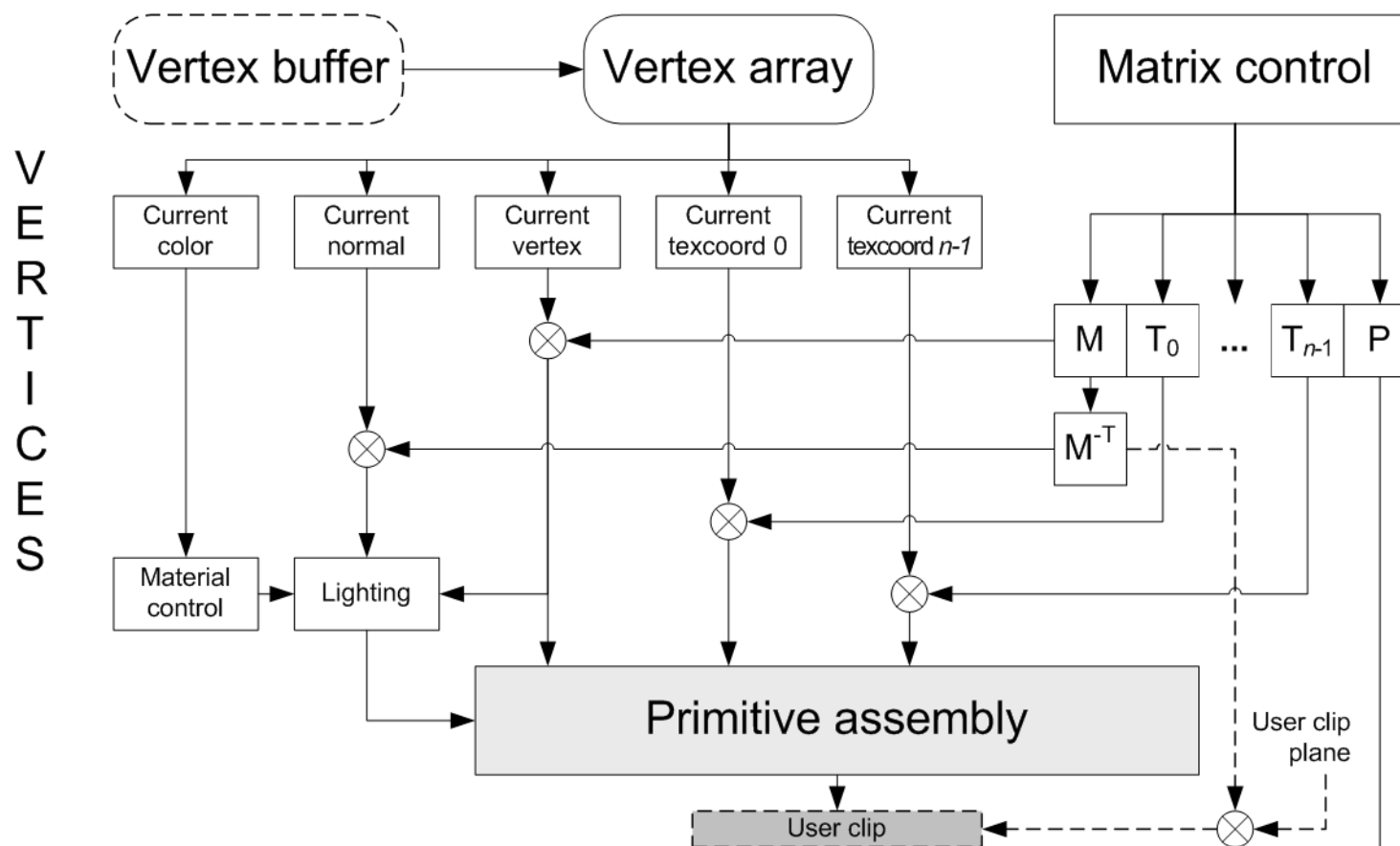
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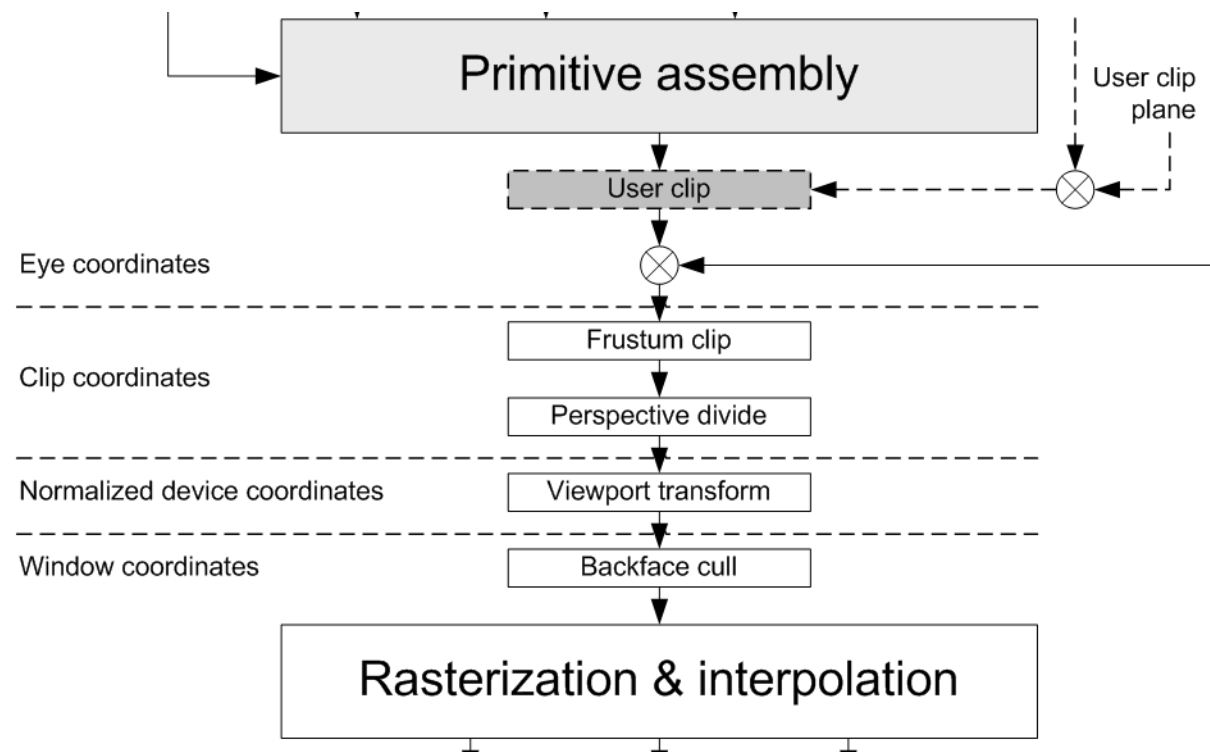


Vertex pipeline



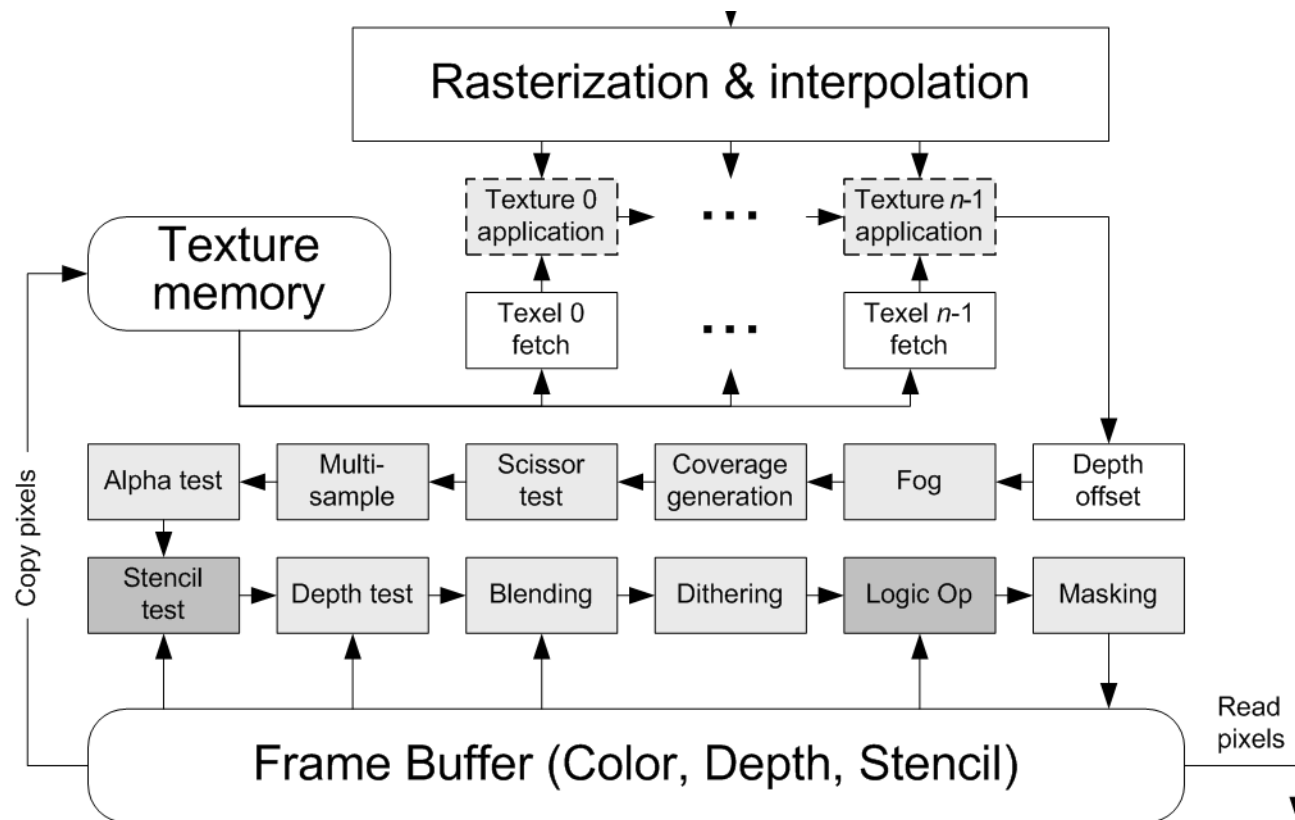
Primitive processing

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Fragment pipeline

FRAGMENTS



Functionality: in / out? (1/7)

Convenience functionality is OUT

GLU

(utility library)

evaluators

(for splines)

feedback mode

(tell what would draw without drawing)

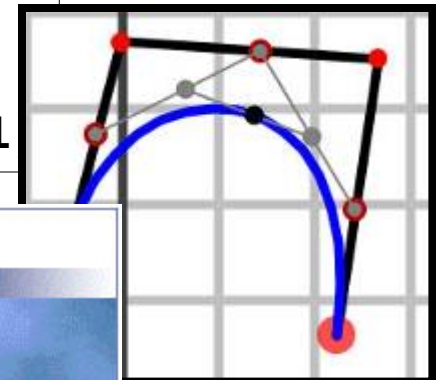
selection mode

(for picking, easily emulated)

display lists

(collecting and preprocessing commands)

```
gluOrtho2D(0,1,0,1)
vs.
glOrtho(0,1,0,1,-1,1)
```



```
glNewList(1, GL_COMPILE)
myFuncThatCallsOpenGL()
glEndList()
...
glCallList(1)
```


Functionality: in / out? (2/7)

Remove old complex functionality

glBegin – glEnd (**OUT**); vertex arrays (**IN**)

new: coordinates can be given as bytes

~~```
glBegin(GL_POLYGON);
glColor3f (1, 0, 0);
glVertex3f(-.5, -.5, .5);
glVertex3f(.5, .5, .5);
glColor3f (0, 1, 0);
glVertex3f(.5, -.5, .5);
glVertex3f(-.5, .5, .5);
glEnd();
```~~

```
static const GLbyte verts[4 * 3] =
{
 -1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1,
 1, -1, 1, -1, -1, 1 };
static const GLubyte colors[4 * 3] =
{
 255, 0, 0, 255, 0, 0,
 0, 255, 0, 0, 255, 0 };
glVertexPointer(3, GL_BYTE, 0, verts);
glColorPointerf(3, GL_UNSIGNED_BYTE,
 0, colors);
glDrawArrays(GL_TRIANGLE_STRIP,
 0, 4);
```

## Functionality: in / out? (3/7)

Simplify rendering modes

double buffering, RGBA, no front buffer access

Emulating back-end missing functionality is expensive or impossible

full fragment processing is **IN**

alpha / depth / scissor / stencil tests,  
multisampling,  
dithering, blending, logic ops)

# Functionality: in / out? (4/7)

Raster processing

ReadPixels **IN**, DrawPixels and Bitmap **OUT**

Rasterization

**OUT:** PolygonMode, PolygonSmooth, Stipple



# Functionality: in / out? (5/7)

2D texture maps **IN**

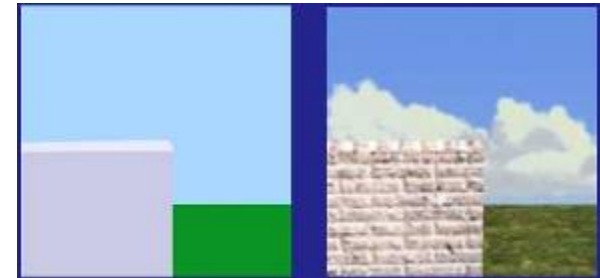
1D, 3D, cube maps **OUT**

borders, proxies, priorities, LOD clamps **OUT**

multitexturing, texture compression **IN** (optional)

texture filtering (incl. mipmaps) **IN**

new: paletted textures **IN**



# Functionality: in / out? (6/7)

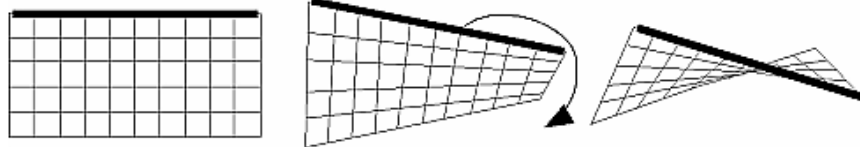
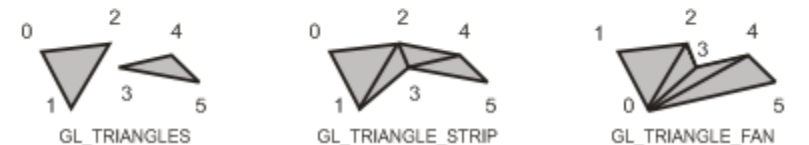
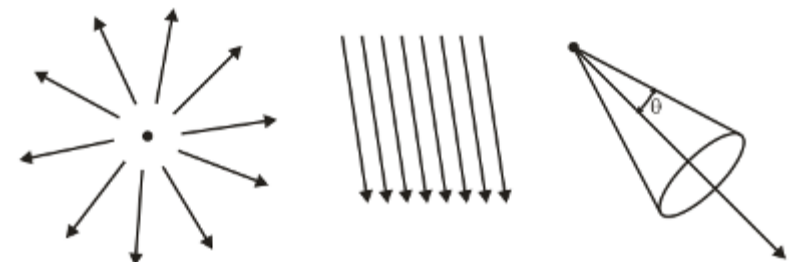
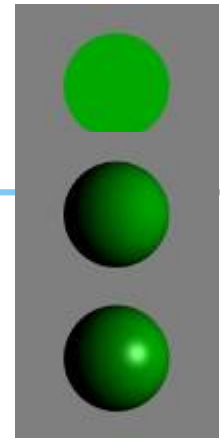
Almost full OpenGL light model **IN**

back materials, local viewer,  
separate specular **OUT**

Primitives

**IN:** points, lines, triangles

**OUT:** quads & polygons



# Functionality: in / out? (7/7)

Vertex processing

**IN:** transformations

**OUT:** user clip planes, texcoord generation

Support only static queries

**OUT:** dynamic queries, attribute stacks

application can usually keep track of its own state



# Floats vs. fixed-point

Accommodate both

integers / fixed-point numbers for efficiency

floats for ease-of-use and being future-proof

Details

16.16 fixed-point: add a decimal point inside an int

|                                                                |
|----------------------------------------------------------------|
| <pre>glRotatef( 0.5f,  0.f , 1.f,  0.f );</pre>                |
| vs.                                                            |
| <pre>glRotatex( 1 &lt;&lt; 15,  0 , 1 &lt;&lt; 16,  0 );</pre> |

get rid of doubles

# Outline

Background: OpenGL & OpenGL ES

OpenGL ES 1.0

OpenGL ES 1.1

EGL: the glue between OS and OpenGL ES

How can I get it and learn more?

# OpenGL ES 1.1: core

## Buffer Objects

allow caching vertex data

## Better Textures

$\geq 2$  tex units, combine (+,-,interp), dot3 bumps, auto mipmap gen.

## User Clip Planes

portal culling ( $\geq 1$ )

## Point Sprites

particles as points not quads, attenuate size with distance

## State Queries

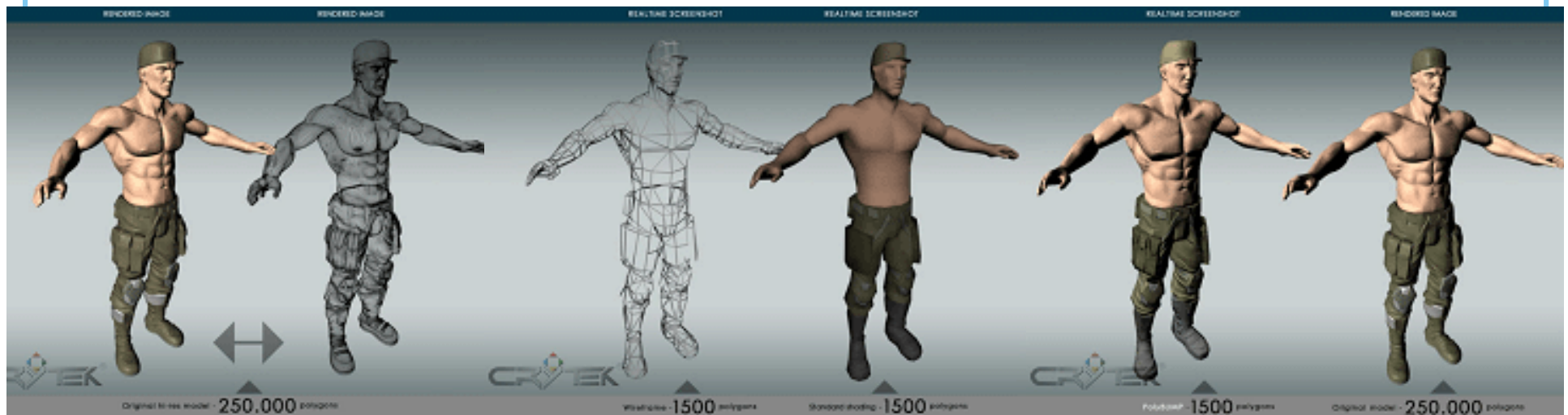
enables state save / restore for middleware

# Bump maps

Double win

increase realism

reduce internal bandwidth -> increase performance



# OpenGL ES 1.1: optional

## Draw Texture

fast drawing of pixel rectangles  
using texturing units  
(data can be cached),  
constant Z, scaling

## Matrix Palette

vertex skinning  
( $\geq 3$  matrices / vertex, palette  $\geq 9$ )



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# EGL glues OpenGL ES to OS

EGL is the interface between OpenGL ES and the native platform window system

similar to GLX on X-windows, WGL on Windows

facilitates portability across OS's (Symbian, Linux, ...)

## Division of labor

EGL gets the resources (windows, etc.) and displays the images created by OpenGL ES

OpenGL ES uses resources for 3D graphics



# EGL surfaces

Various drawing surfaces, rendering targets

*windows* – on-screen rendering  
(“graphics” memory)

*pbuffers* – off-screen rendering  
(during rendering “graphics” memory)

*pixmap*s – off-screen rendering  
(OS native images)

# EGL context

A rendering context is an abstract  
OpenGL ES state machine

- stores the state of the graphics engine

- can be (re)bound to any matching surface

- different contexts can share data

  - texture objects

  - vertex buffer objects

  - even across APIs (OpenGL ES, OpenVG, later others too)

# Main EGL 1.0 functions

# Getting started

eglInitialize() / eglTerminate(), eglGetDisplay(),  
 eglGetConfigs() / eglChooseConfig(),  
 eglCreateXSurface() (**X** = Window | Pbuffer | Pixmap),  
 eglCreateContext()

```
eglMakeCurrent(display, drawsurf, readsurf,
 context)
```

binds context to current thread, surfaces, display

# Main EGL 1.0 functions

`eglSwapBuffer( display, surface )`

posts the color buffer to a window

`eglWaitGL( ), eglWaitNative( engine )`

provides synchronization between OpenGL ES and native (2D) graphics libraries

`eglCopyBuffer( display, surface, target )`

copy color buffer to a native color pixmap

# EGL 1.1 enhancements

## Swap interval control

specify # of video frames between buffer swaps

default 1; 0 = unlocked swaps, >1 save power

## Power management events

PowerMgmt event => all Context lost

Display & Surf remain, Surf contents unspecified

## Render-to-texture [optional]

flexible use of texture memory

# Outline

Background: OpenGL & OpenGL ES

OpenGL ES 1.0 functionality

OpenGL ES beyond 1.0

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# SW Implementations

## Vincent

Open-source OpenGL ES library



<http://www.vincent3d.com/>

<http://sourceforge.net/projects/ogl-es>

## Reference implementation

Wraps on top of OpenGL

<http://www.khronos.org/opengles/documentation/gles-1.0c.tgz>



# HW implementations

There are many designs

The following slides gives some idea  
rough rules of thumb

from a couple to dozens of MTri / sec (peak)

1 pixel / clock (high end growing...)

clock speeds 50MHz – 200+MHz -> 750 MHz

power consumption should be ~ 10's of mW



# Bitboys

## Graphics processors

**G12:** OpenVG 1.0

**G34:** OpenGL ES 1.1

**G40:** OpenVG 1.0  
OpenGL ES 1.1  
with extended features

Flipquality antialiasing

Max clock 200MHz

## Partners / Customers

NEC Electronics

Hybrid Graphics (drivers)



# ATI



ATI IMAGEON 3D

- Imageon 2300

- OpenGL ES 1.0
- Vertex and raster HW
  - 32-bit internal pipe
  - 16-bit color and Z buffers

AMD bought ATI

- Imageon 3D adds

- OpenGL ES 1.1 extension pack
- Vertex shader
- HyperZ
- Audio codecs, 3D audio

- Partners, customers

- Qualcomm
- LG SV360, KV3600
- Zodiac



# AMD Graphics IP

## 3D Processors

- AMD Z430 & Z460
  - Unified Shader architecture derived from the Xbox 360 Xenos core
  - OpenGL ES 2.0
  - OpenGL ES 1.1 backwards compatible
  - OpenVG 1.x



## Vector Graphics Processors

- AMD Z160 & Z180
  - Native, high-performance OpenVG acceleration
  - OpenVG 1.x
  - 16 x antialiasing



All processors are designed to be combined to achieve native HW acceleration of both OpenGL ES 2.0 and OpenVG 1.x for unrivalled performance and image quality.





# Falanx

## ➤ Mali 110

- » OpenGL ES 1.1 + extensions
- » 4x / 16x full screen anti-aliasing
- » Video codecs (e.g., MPEG-4)
- » 170-400k giga pixels / s
- » 2.8M Tri / s

## ➤ Mali 200

- » OpenGL ES 2.0, Mali C, Mali G, Mali D
- » Mob. 3D
- » 5M Tri / s, 100M Pix / s, 11 instr. / cycle

## ➤ Partners / Customer

- » Zoran

| CORE SELECTION GUIDE       |              |              |                           |                            |
|----------------------------|--------------|--------------|---------------------------|----------------------------|
|                            | MALI55       | MALI110      | MALI200                   | MALIGP                     |
| Core Function              | Pixel Shader | Pixel Shader | Programmable Pixel Shader | Programmable Vertex Shader |
| Gate Count                 | 190K         | 230K         | 400K-500K                 | 150K                       |
| Max Clock                  | 200MHz       | 200MHz       | 200MHz                    | 150MHz                     |
| Anti-Aliasing              | 4X / 16X     | 4X / 16X     | 4X / 16X                  | 4X / 16X                   |
| OpenGL ES 1.1              | Yes          | Yes          | Yes                       | Yes                        |
| OpenGL ES 2.0              | No           | No           | Yes                       | Yes                        |
| OpenVG 1.0                 | Yes          | Yes          | Yes                       | Yes                        |
| DirectX w/Vista Extensions | No           | No           | Yes                       | No                         |
| Deferred Vertex Shading    | No           | No           | Yes                       | No                         |
| MPEG-4/H.264*              | Yes          | Yes          | Yes                       | Yes                        |
| RPS Encode H.264*          | 15fps        | 15fps        | 30fps                     | 30fps                      |
| RPS Decode H.264*          | 15fps        | 30fps        | 30fps                     | 30fps                      |
| OpenMFX*                   | No           | No           | Yes                       | No                         |



Falanx  
MICROSYSTEMS

# ARM® Mali™ Architecture

- Compared to traditional immediate mode renderer
  - 80% lower per pixel bandwidth usage, even with 4X FSAA enabled
  - Efficient memory access patterns and data locality: enables performance even in high latency systems
- Compared to traditional tile-based renderer
  - Significantly lower per-vertex bandwidth
  - Impact of scene complexity increases is substantially reduced
- Other architectural advantages
  - Per frame autonomous rendering
  - No renderer state change performance penalty
  - On-chip z / stencil / color buffers
    - minimizes working memory footprint
- Acceleration beyond 3D graphics (OpenVG etc.)



|                    | Mali200  | MaliGP2  | Mali55   |
|--------------------|----------|----------|----------|
| Anti-Aliasing      | 4X / 16X | 4X / 16X | 4X / 16X |
| OpenGL®ES 1.x      | YES      | YES      | YES      |
| OpenGL®ES 2.x      | YES      | YES      | NO       |
| OpenVG 1.x         | YES      | NA       | YES      |
| Max CLK            | 275MHz   | 275MHz   | 200MHz   |
| Fill rate Mpix / s | 275      | NA       | 100      |
| Triangles / s      | 9M       | 9M       | 1M       |

## ■ PICA graphics core



### ■ 3D Features

#### ■ OpenGL ES 1.1

#### ■ DMP's proprietary "Maestro" shader extensions

- Very high quality graphics with easier programming interface

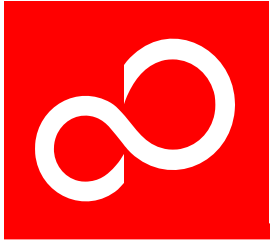
- MAESTRO** •
- Per-fragment lighting,
  - Shadow-mapping,
  - Procedural texture,
  - Polygon subdivision (Geo shader), and
  - Gaseous object rendering.

### ■ Hardware Features

- » Performance: 40Mtri/s,  
400Mpixel/s@100MHz
- » Power consumption: 0.5-1mW/MHz
- » Max. clock freq. 400MHz (65nm)







# Fujitsu Graphics Controllers

## ■ Optimized for automotive environment

- Extended temp range (-40...+85degC or -40...+105degC)
- No external active or passive cooling required
- Long term availability (devices from 1998 still in full mass production!)
- Fulfills the latest qualification requirements from automotive industry
- Automotive network interfaces included on-chip
- Dedicated competence center in Munich for automotive graphics

## ■ Used in many major car brands for :

- Onboard navigation systems (2D and 3D)
- Cluster Instrumentation (incl. virtual dashboards)
- Rear seat entertainment systems
- Head-up displays
- Night vision systems

## ■ Also used today in :

- Flight instrumentation
- Marine displays
- Medical, etc...



| Feature              | This generation (in MP) | Next generation (tba)                   |
|----------------------|-------------------------|-----------------------------------------|
| Bandwidth            | ~2 GB/s                 | ~6 GB/s                                 |
| Performance          | ~5MT/s ; 200Mpix/s      | ~10MT/s ; 500Mpix/s                     |
| Graphic processing   | OpenGL ES 1.1           | OpenGL ES 2.0 ; OpenVG                  |
| # of video inputs    | 2 video inputs          | 4 video inputs (up to HD)               |
| # of display outputs | 2 display outputs       | 2 display outputs with dual view option |



# Imagination Technologies

## POWERVR MBX & SGX 2D/3D Acceleration



Imagination

- **5th Generation Tile Based Deferred Rendering**
  - Market Proven Advanced Tiling Algorithms
  - Order-independent Hidden Surface Removal
  - Lowest silicon area, bandwidth and power
  - Excellent system latency tolerance
- **POWERVR SGX: OpenGL ES 2.0 in Silicon Now**
  - Scalable from 1 to 8 pipelines and beyond
  - Programmable multi-threaded multimedia GPU
  - Optimal load balancing scheduling hardware
  - Vertex, Pixel, Geometry shaders + image processing
- **Partners/Customers**
  - TI, Intel, Renesas, Samsung, NXP, NEC, Freescale, Sunplus, Centrality & others unannounced



**POWERVR MBX: The de-facto standard for mobile graphics acceleration, with >50 PowerVR 3D-enabled phones shipping worldwide**



|               | PowerVR MBX Family | PowerVR SGX Family   |
|---------------|--------------------|----------------------|
| OpenGL        | ES1.1              | 2.0, ES1.1 and ES2.0 |
| Direct3D      | Mobile             | Mobile, 9L and 10.1  |
| OpenVG        | 1.0                | 1.0.1 and 1.1        |
| Triangles/Sec | 1.7M ... 3.7M      | 1M ... 15.5M         |
| Pixels/Sec    | 135M ... 300M      | 50M ... 500M         |

Performance quoted at 100MHz for MBX, MBX Lite and for SGX510 to SGX545. Peak SoC achievable performance not quoted, e.g. <50% Shader load for Tri/Sec. Performance scales with clock speeds up to 200MHz and beyond. Planned future cores will offer higher performance levels.

[www.powervrinsider.com](http://www.powervrinsider.com)

**Market-leading Ecosystem with more than 1650 members**

# Mitsubishi

- Z3D family
  - Z3D and Z3D2 out in 2002, 2003
    - Pre-OpenGL ES 1.0
    - Embedded SRAM architecture
  - Z3D3 in 2004
    - OpenGL ES 1.0, raster and vertex HW
    - Cache architecture
    - @ 100 MHz: 1.5M vtx / s, 50-60 mW, ~250 kGates
  - Z3D4 in 2005
    - OpenGL ES 1.1

## Partners / Customers

Several Japanese manufacturers



**Z3D**

First mobile 3D HW?

## GiPump™ Series



### GiPump™ NX1005

- ; Mobile 3D graphics acc. with camera control functions
- OpenGL ES 1.1 / GIGA / JSR184
- 5M poly/s, 80M pix/s @ 80MHz, JPEG codec (3M pixel), ~QVGA display
- Cellular phone, smart phone, etc.

### GiPump™ NX1007

- ; High end 3D graphics acc. for mobile
- OpenGL ES 1.1 + Ext. / GIGA / JSR184
- 12.5M poly/s, 200M pix/s @ 100MHz, ~SVGA display, PIP supports
- PND, PMP, game device, mobile device, etc.

### GiPump™ NX1008

- ; Mobile 3D graphics acc. with stereoscopic display
- OpenGL ES 1.1 / GIGA / JSR184
- 5M poly/s, 80M pix/s @ 80MHz, ~QVGA display, stereoscopic display
- Cellular phone, smart phone, etc.

### GiPump™ NX1009

- ; Economical mobile 3D graphics accelerator
- OpenGL ES 1.1 + Ext. / GIGA / JSR184
- 12.5M poly/s, 200M pix/s @ 100MHz, ~SVGA display, boost mode
- Cellular phone, Smart phone, etc.

### GiPump™ NX2001

- ; 3D Graphics enhanced multimedia processor
- OpenGL ES 2.0 / 1.1 Ext. / JSR184 / D3DM
- 10M poly/s, 200M pix/s @ 200MHz, ~SVGA display
- PND, PMP, game device, mobile device, etc.

## Service Solutions



Nexus Mobile Platform™  
Gaming Device Platform  
(OS: WinCE, Linux, RTOS, etc. )  
To: Game Device Maker

### NX1008TK™

3D Reference B/D  
GiPump™ Integration Platform  
To: Device Developer



### GiPump™ SDK

NXsdk with Emulator  
NXsdk Shader+  
NXm3g Engine  
NX3D Engine & Tools



## GiPump™ Partners : Samsung, SKT, Other Device Manufactures

\* GiPump™ : Pronounced, "G", "I", "Pump". It means "Graphics / Image Pump".

\* GIGA (Giga Instruction Giga Acceleration) : SK Telecom's mobile 3D graphics platform

**New Wave Digital Paradigm**



# NVIDIA

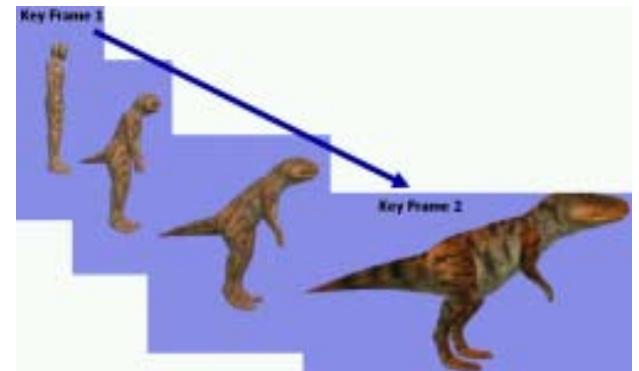


- **APX 2500 application processor**
  - Single chip, Xbox-class experience
  - At less than 200mW
- **Up to 750MHz ARM 11**
  - MP Core, 256KB L2 Cache
- **47 Mtris/sec, 600 Mpix/sec**
  - With typical early Z mix
- **45 FPS Quake 3 Arena**
  - WVGA with 5x CSAA, 8x anisotropic
- **Media Processing Hardware**
  - 720P H.264 encode/decode
  - 12 Mpixel camera ISP
  - 100 hours audio on one battery
- **Khronos media API stack**
  - OpenGL ES 2.0 superset
  - OpenVG, OpenMAX, EGL
- **Composition UI framework**



# Sony PSP

- Game processing unit
  - Surface engine
    - tessellation of Beziers and splines
    - skinning ( $\leq 8$  matrices), morphing ( $\leq 8$  vtx)
    - HW T&L
    - 21 MTri / s (@ 100 MHz)
  - Rendering engine
    - basic OpenGL-style fixed pipeline
    - 400M pix / s (@ 100 MHz)
  - 2MB eDRAM
- Media processing engine
  - 2MB eDRAM
  - H.264 (AVC) video up to 720x480 @ 30fps



# TAKUMI

- **GSHARK-TAKUMI Family**

- **GP**

- OpenGL ES 1.0
- 0.5M tri/s @100MHz, 170Kgate

- **GT**

- OpenGL ES 1.1
- 1.4M tri/s @100MHz, < 30mW

- **G2**

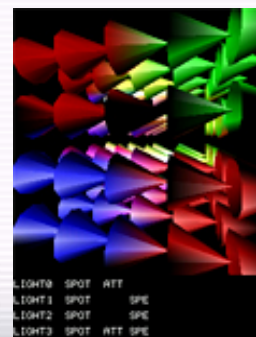
- OpenGL ES 1.1
- 5M tri/s @100MHz

- **Partners / Customers**

- NEC Electronics

- **Concepts & Architecture**

- Small Gate Counts
- Low Power Consumption
- Vertex Processor (T&L)
- Dedicated 2D Sprite Engine
- Target Application
  - Mobile Phone and Digital AV Equipments such as DTV, STB, DSC, PMP, etc.



# Toshiba

## TC35711XBG

Programmable shader

Plan to support OpenGL ES2.0

Large embedded memory for

- Color and Z buffer

- Caches for vertex arrays, textures

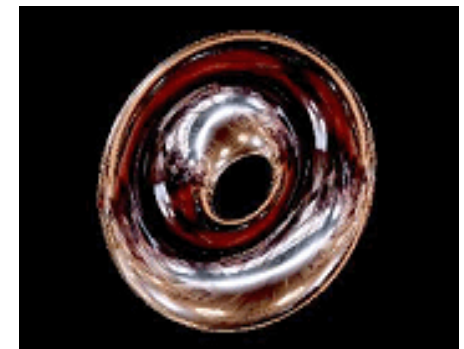
- Display lists (command buffer )

50M vtx / sec, 400M pix / sec (@ 100 MHz)

clocks up to 200MHz

WVGA LCD controller

13mm x 13mm x 1.2mm 449Ball BGA





# Vivante GPU for Handheld

- OpenGL ES 1.1 & 2.0 and D3D 9.0
- Unified vertex & pixel shader
- Anti-Aliasing
- AXI/AHB interface
- GC500
  - 3 mm<sup>2</sup> die area in 65nm (1.8mm x 1.2mm)
  - 10 MPolygons/s and 100 MPixel/s at 200 MHz
  - 50mW GPU core power
- Scalable solution to 50 MPolygons/s and 1 GPixels/s (GC1000, GC4000)
- **Silicon proven solution**
- Designed into multiple 65nm SoCs



# SDKs

Nokia S60 SDK (Symbian OS)

<http://www.forum.nokia.com>

Imagination SDK

<http://www.pvrdev.com/Pub/MBX>

NVIDIA handheld SDK

[http://www.nvidia.com/object/hhsdk\\_home.html](http://www.nvidia.com/object/hhsdk_home.html)

Brew SDK & documentation

<http://brew.qualcomm.com>

see [http://people.csail.mit.edu/kapu/EG\\_08](http://people.csail.mit.edu/kapu/EG_08)

# Mobile 3D Graphics with OpenGL ES and M3G

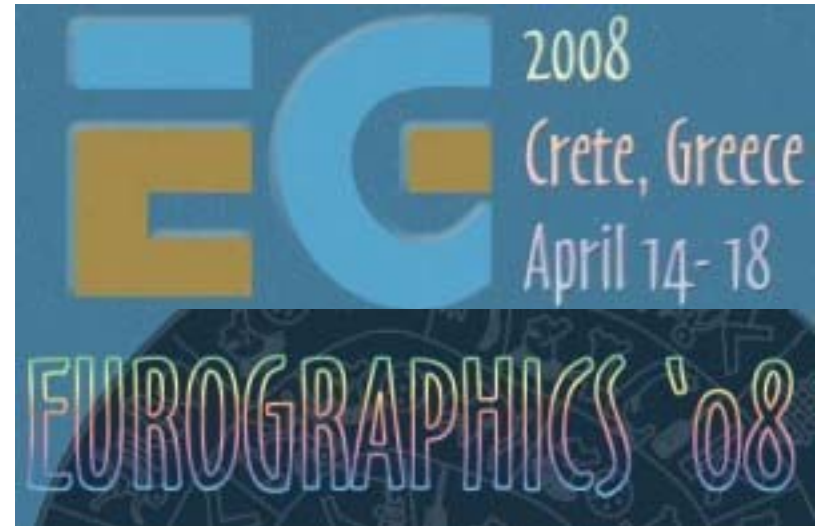
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# Questions?

# Using OpenGL ES



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Nokia

# Using OpenGL ES

Simple OpenGL ES example

EGL configuration selection

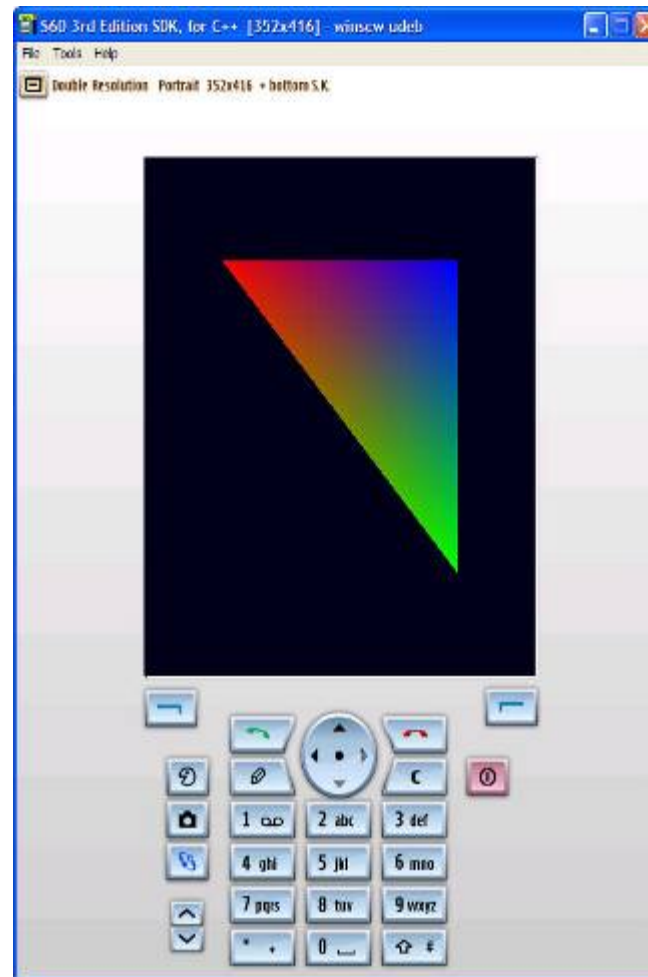
Texture matrix example

Fixed point programming

Converting existing code



# “Hello OpenGL ES”



# Hello OpenGL ES, EGL initialization

```
/* =====
 * "Hello OpenGL ES" OpenGL ES code.
 *
 * Eurographics 2008 tutorial.
 *
 * Copyright: Jani Vaarala
 * =====
*/

#include <GLES/gl.h>
#include <GLES/egl.h>

EGLDisplay display;
EGLContext context;
EGLSurface surface;
EGLConfig config;
```

# Hello OpenGL ES, EGL initialization

```
EGLint attrib_list[] =
{
 EGL_BUFFER_SIZE, 16,
 EGL_DEPTH_SIZE, 15,
 EGL_SURFACE_TYPE, EGL_WINDOW_BIT,
 EGL_NONE
};

void init_egl(void)
{
 EGLint numConfigs;

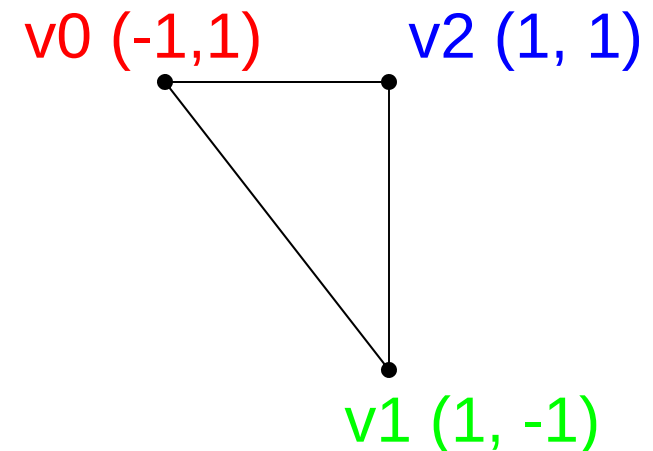
 display = eglGetDisplay(EGL_DEFAULT_DISPLAY);
 eglInitialize(display, NULL, NULL);
 eglChooseConfig(display, attrib_list, &config, 1, &numConfigs);
 surface = eglCreateWindowSurface(display, config, WINDOW(), NULL);
 context = eglCreateContext(display, config, EGL_NO_CONTEXT, NULL);
 eglMakeCurrent(display, surface, surface, context);
}
```

# Hello OpenGL ES, OpenGL ES part

```
#include <GLES/gl.h>
```

```
static const GLbyte vertices[3 * 3] =
{
 -1, 1, 0,
 1, -1, 0,
 1, 1, 0
};
```

```
static const GLubyte colors[3 * 4] =
{
 255, 0, 0, 255, 
 0, 255, 0, 255, 
 0, 0, 255, 255, 
};
```



# Hello OpenGL ES, OpenGL ES part

```
void init()
{
 glClearColor (0.f, 0.f, 0.1f, 1.f);
 glMatrixMode (GL_PROJECTION);
 glFrustumf (-1.f, 1.f, -1.f, 1.f, 3.f, 1000.f);
 glMatrixMode (GL_MODELVIEW);
 glShadeModel (GL_SMOOTH);
 glDisable (GL_DEPTH_TEST);
 glVertexPointer (3, GL_BYTE, 0, vertices);
 glColorPointer (4, GL_UNSIGNED_BYTE, 0, colors);
 glEnableClientState (GL_VERTEX_ARRAY);
 glEnableClientState (GL_COLOR_ARRAY);
 glViewport (0, 0, GET_WIDTH(), GET_HEIGHT());

 INIT_RENDER_CALLBACK(drawcallback);
}
```

# Hello OpenGL ES, OpenGL ES part

```
void drawcallback(void)
{
 glClear (GL_COLOR_BUFFER_BIT);
 glLoadIdentity ();
 glTranslatef (0.f, 0.f, -5.f);
 glDrawArrays (GL_TRIANGLES, 0, 3);

 eglSwapBuffers(display, surface);
}
```

# EGL config sorting

| ATTRIBUTE            | DEFAULT<br>VALUE | SELECTION<br>RULE | SORT<br>PRIORITY | SORT ORDER |
|----------------------|------------------|-------------------|------------------|------------|
| EGL_BUFFER_SIZE [16] | 0                | AtLeast           | 3                | Smaller    |
| EGL_DEPTH_SIZE [15]  | 0                | AtLeast           | 6                | Smaller    |
| ...                  |                  |                   |                  |            |

Selection rule: minimum requirement

Sort priority: which attrib is sorted first

Sort order: how attrib is sorted

One way of sorting

Not optimal for all applications



# Example of sorted list of configs

| EGL_CONFIG_ID | EGL_BUFFER_SIZE<br>(Sort priority = 3) | EGL_DEPTH_SIZE<br>(Sort priority = 6) |
|---------------|----------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| 5             | 16                                     | 15                                    |
| 2             | 16                                     | 32                                    |
| 40            | 24                                     | 15                                    |
| 11            | 32                                     | 15                                    |
| 3             | 32                                     | 32                                    |
| 30            | 32                                     | 32                                    |

Sorted first, smaller comes first

Sorted next, smaller comes first

Sorted last (if otherwise no unique order exists), smaller comes first

The diagram illustrates a multi-level sorting process for a list of configurations. The table shows the following data:

| EGL_CONFIG_ID | EGL_BUFFER_SIZE (Sort priority = 3) | EGL_DEPTH_SIZE (Sort priority = 6) |
|---------------|-------------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| 5             | 16                                  | 15                                 |
| 2             | 16                                  | 32                                 |
| 40            | 24                                  | 15                                 |
| 11            | 32                                  | 15                                 |
| 3             | 32                                  | 32                                 |
| 30            | 32                                  | 32                                 |

Annotations:

- Red circles highlight the values in each column: 5, 2, 3, 30 in the first column; 16, 16, 32, 32, 32 in the second column; 15, 32, 15, 15, 32, 32 in the third column.
- Arrows point from the sorting rules to the corresponding columns: "Sorted first, smaller comes first" points to the first column; "Sorted next, smaller comes first" points to the second column; "Sorted last (if otherwise no unique order exists), smaller comes first" points to the third column.

# Example EGL config selection

```
EGLConfig select_config(int type, int color_bits, int depth_bits, int stencil_bits)
{
 EGLBoolean err;
 EGLint amount, attrib_list[5*2]; /* fits 5 attribs */
 EGLConfig best_config, configs[64]; /* max 64 configs considered */
 EGLint *ptr;

 ptr = &attrib_list[0];

 /* Make sure that the config supports target surface type */
 *ptr++ = EGL_SURFACE_TYPE;
 *ptr++ = type;

 /* For color, we require minimum of <color_bits> bits */
 *ptr++ = EGL_BUFFER_SIZE;
 *ptr++ = color_bits;

 /* For depth, we require minimum of <depth_bits> bits */
 if(depth_bits)
 {
 *ptr++ = EGL_DEPTH_SIZE;
 *ptr++ = depth_bits;
 }
}
```

# Real-world EGL config selection

```
if(stencil_bits)
{
 ptr[0] = EGL_STENCIL_SIZE;
 ptr[1] = stencil_bits;
 ptr[2] = EGL_NONE;
}
else
{
 ptr[0] = EGL_NONE;
}

err = eglChooseConfig(display, &attrib_list[0], &configs[0], 64, &amount);

if(amount == 0)
{
 /* If we didn't have get any configs, try without stencil */
 ptr[0] = EGL_NONE;
 err = eglChooseConfig(display, &attrib_list[0], &configs[0], 64, &amount);
}
```

# Real-world EGL config selection

```
if(amount > 0)
{
 /* We have either configs w/ or w/o stencil, not both. Find one with best AA */
 int i,best_samples;
 best_samples = 0;
 best_config = configs[0];

 for(i=0 ; i<amount ; i++)
 {
 int samp;
 eglGetConfigAttrib(display, configs[i], EGL_SAMPLES, &samp);
 if(samp > best_samples)
 {
 best_config = configs[i];
 best_samples = samp;
 }
 }
}
else best_config = (EGLConfig)0; /* no suitable configs found */

return best_config;
}
```

# Texture matrix example (target)



# Texture matrix example

```
void appinit_glass(void)
{
 GLint texture_handle;

 /* View parameters */
 glMatrixMode (GL_PROJECTION);
 glFrustumf (-1.f, 1.f, -1.f, 1.f, 3.f, 1000.f);
 glMatrixMode (GL_MODELVIEW);

 /* Reset state */
 glEnable (GL_DEPTH_TEST);
 glClearColor (0.f, 0.f, 0.1f, 1.f);

 /* Enable vertex arrays */
 glEnableClientState (GL_VERTEX_ARRAY);
 glEnableClientState (GL_TEXTURE_COORD_ARRAY);
}
```

# Texture matrix example

```
/* Setup texture */
glEnable (GL_TEXTURE_2D);

glGenTextures (1, texture_handle);
glBindTexture (GL_TEXTURE_2D, texture_handle);
glTexImage2D (GL_TEXTURE_2D, 0, GL_RGB, 256, 256, 0,
 GL_RGB, GL_UNSIGNED_BYTE, texture_data);
glTexEnvf (GL_TEXTURE_ENV, GL_TEXTURE_ENV_MODE,
 GL_MODULATE);
glTexParameterf (GL_TEXTURE_2D, GL_TEXTURE_MIN_FILTER,
 GL_LINEAR);
glTexParameterf (GL_TEXTURE_2D, GL_TEXTURE_MAG_FILTER,
 GL_LINEAR);
glTexParameterf (GL_TEXTURE_2D, GL_TEXTURE_WRAP_S,
 GL_CLAMP_TO_EDGE);
glTexParameterf (GL_TEXTURE_2D, GL_TEXTURE_WRAP_T,
 GL_CLAMP_TO_EDGE);
}
```

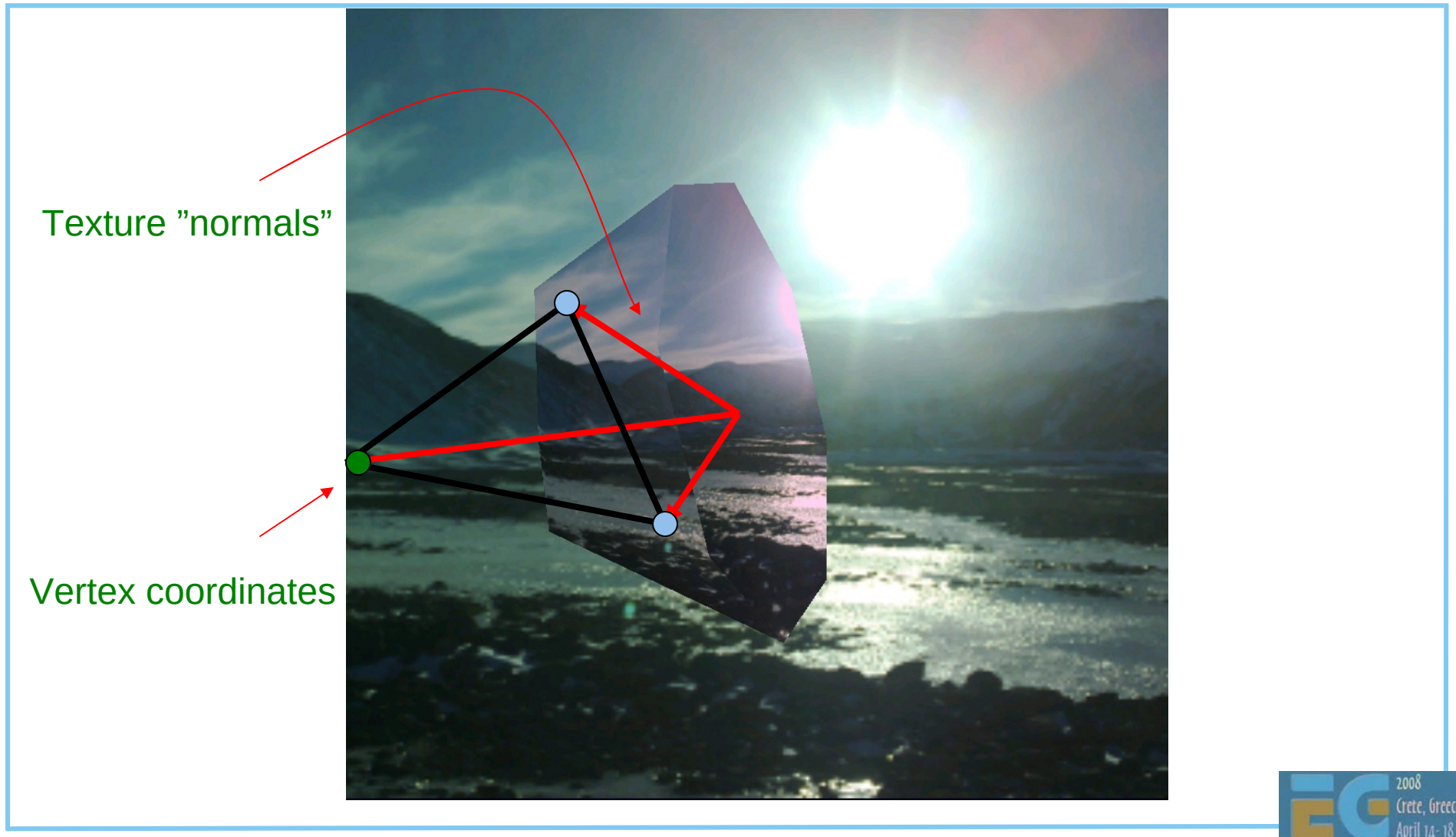


# Texture matrix example

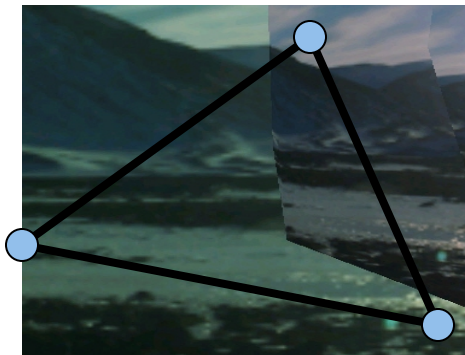
```
int render(float time)
{
 glClear (GL_COLOR_BUFFER_BIT | GL_DEPTH_BUFFER_BIT);

 /* draw background with two textured triangles */
 glMatrixMode (GL_TEXTURE);
 glLoadIdentity ();
 glMatrixMode (GL_PROJECTION);
 glLoadIdentity ();
 glMatrixMode (GL_MODELVIEW);
 glLoadIdentity ();
 glColor4ub (255, 255, 255, 255);
 glScalef (2.f, -2.f, 0.f);
 glTranslatef (-0.5f, -0.5f, 0.f);
 glVertexPointer (2, GL_BYTE, 0, back_coords);
 glTexCoordPointer (2, GL_BYTE, 0, back_coords);
 glDrawArrays (GL_TRIANGLE_STRIP, 0, 4);
}
```

# Texture matrix example, coordinates



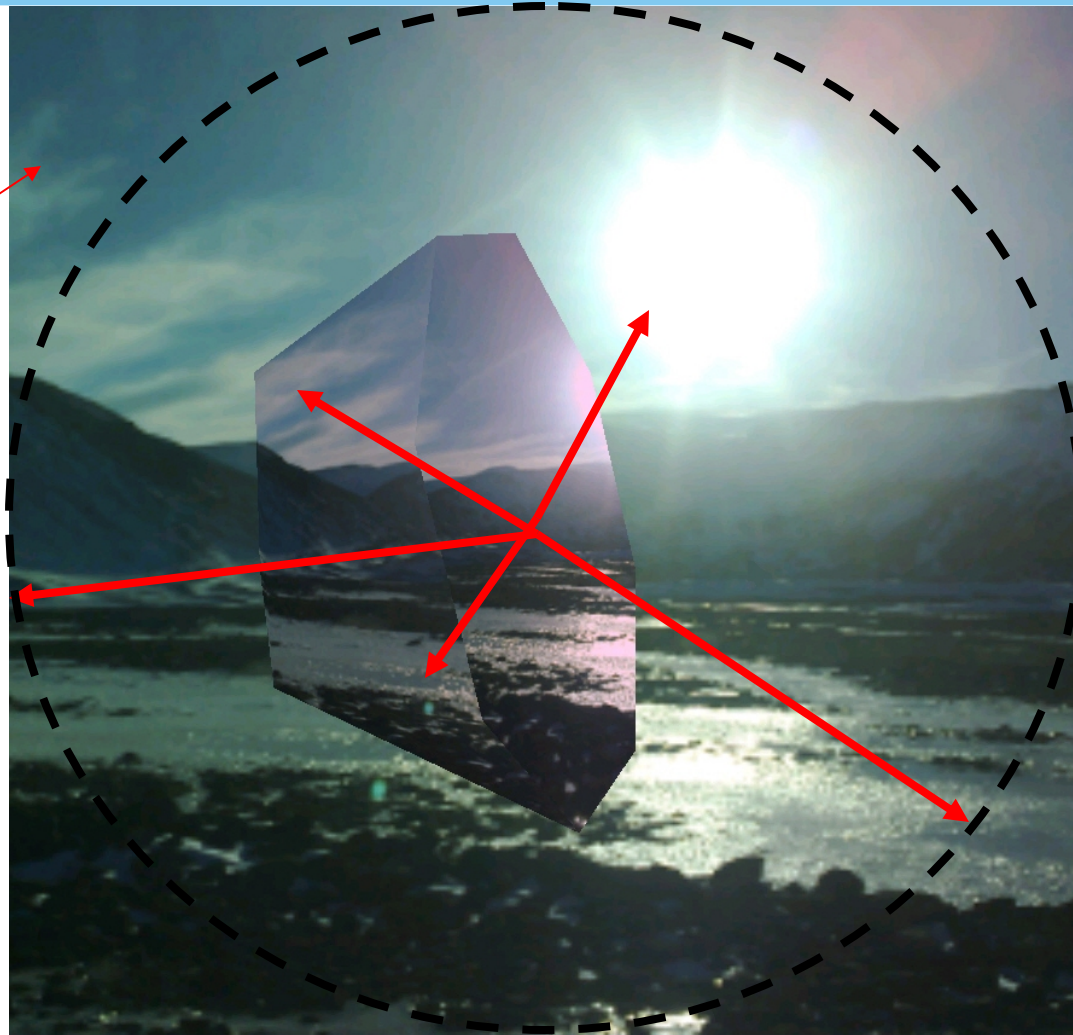
# Texture matrix example, coordinates



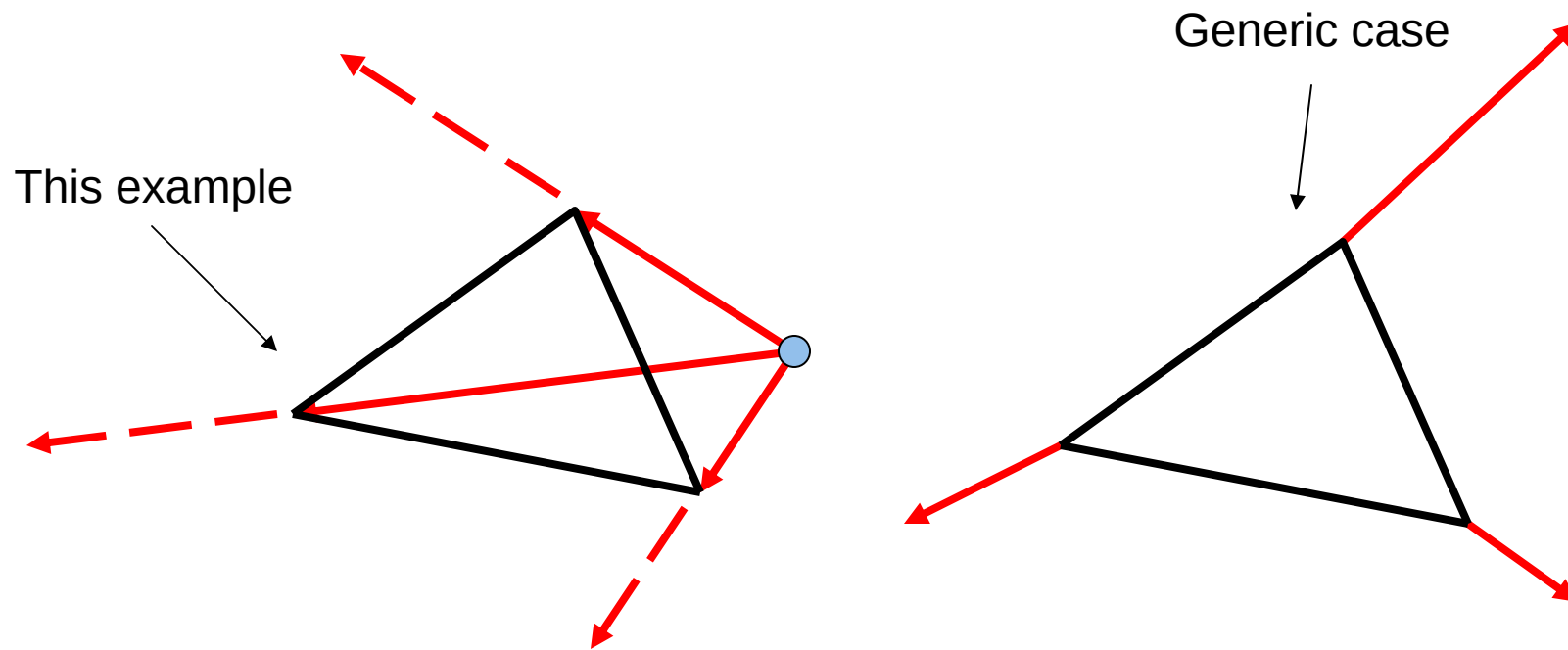
We just take the  $(x,y)$  of the texture coordinate output

# Texture matrix example, coordinates

These areas  
are not used



# Texture matrix example, coordinates



In this example we use the same data for vertex and texture "normals" as the object is cut away from roughly tessellated sphere (all coordinates unit length)

This is NOT possible for general objects. You should use separate normalized normals for other objects

# Texture matrix example

```
glMatrixMode (GL_PROJECTION);
glLoadIdentity ();
glFrustumf (-1.f, 1.f, -1.f, 1.f, 3.f, 1000.f);

glMatrixMode (GL_MODELVIEW);
glLoadIdentity ();
glTranslatef (0, 0, -5.f);
glRotatef (time*25, 1.f, 1.f, 0.f); /* (1) */
glRotatef (time*15, 1.f, 0.f, 1.f);

glMatrixMode (GL_TEXTURE);
glLoadIdentity ();
glTranslatef (0.5f, 0.5f, 0.f); /* [-0.5,0.5] -> [0,1] */
glScalef (0.5f, -0.5f, 0.f); /* [-1,1] -> [-0.5,0.5] */
glRotatef (time*25, 1.f, 1.f, 0.f); /* identical rotations! */
glRotatef (time*15, 1.f, 0.f, 1.f); /* see (1) */
```

# Texture matrix example

```
/* use different color for the (glass) object vs. the background */
glColor4ub (255, 210, 240, 255);
glVertexPointer (3, GL_FIXED, 0, vertices);
glTexCoordPointer (3, GL_FIXED, 0, vertices);
glDrawArrays (GL_TRIANGLES, 0, 16*3);
}
```



# Fixed point programming

Why should you use it?

Most mobile handsets don't have a FPU

Where does it make sense to use it?

Where it makes the most difference

For per-vertex processing: morphing, skinning, etc.

Per vertex data shouldn't be floating point

OpenGL ES API supports 32-bit FP numbers

# Fixed point programming

There are many variants of fixed point:

- Signed / Unsigned

- 2's complement vs. Separate sign

OpenGL ES uses 2's complement

Numbers in the range of [ -32768, 32768 [

16 bits for decimal bits (precision of 1/65536)

All the examples here use 16.16 fixed point

# Fixed point programming

## Examples:

$$0x000\textcolor{red}{1} 0000 = 65536 = \textcolor{red}{1}.0f$$

$$0x000\textcolor{red}{2} 0000 = \textcolor{red}{2} * 65536 = \textcolor{red}{2}.0f$$

$$0x00\textcolor{red}{10} 0000 = \textcolor{red}{16} * 65536 = \textcolor{red}{16}.0f$$

$$0x0000 000\textcolor{red}{1} = \textcolor{red}{1}/65536 = \textcolor{red}{0}.0000152587\dots$$

$$0xffff ffff = -\textcolor{red}{1}/65536 (-0x0000 000\textcolor{red}{1})$$

↑  
Imaginary decimal  
point location

# Float to fixed and vice versa

Convert from floating point to fixed point

```
#define float_to_fixed(a) (int)((a)*(1<<16)) or
#define float_to_fixed(a) (int)((a)*(65536))
```

Convert from fixed point to floating point

```
#define fixed_to_float(a) (((float)a)/(1<<16)) or
#define fixed_to_float(a) (((float)a)/(65536))
```

# Fixed point operations

## Addition

```
#define add_fixed_fixed(a,b) ((a)+(b))
```

## Multiply fixed point number with integer

```
#define mul_fixed_int(a,b) ((a)*(b))
```

## MUL two FP numbers together

```
#define mul_fixed_fixed(a,b) \
 (int)((((int64)a)*((int64)b)) >> 16)
```

# Fixed point operations and scale

Addition:

a & b        = original float values

S             = fixed point scale (e.g., 65536)

$$\text{result} = (a * S) + (b * S) = (a + b) * S$$

Scaling term keeps the same

Range of the result is 33 bits

Possible overflow by 1 bit

# Fixed point operations and scale

Multiplication:

a & b = original float values

S = fixed point scale (e.g., 65536)

result =  $(a * S) * (b * S)$  =  $((a * b) * S^2)$

final =  $((a * b) * S^2) / S$  =  $(a * b) * S$

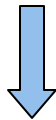
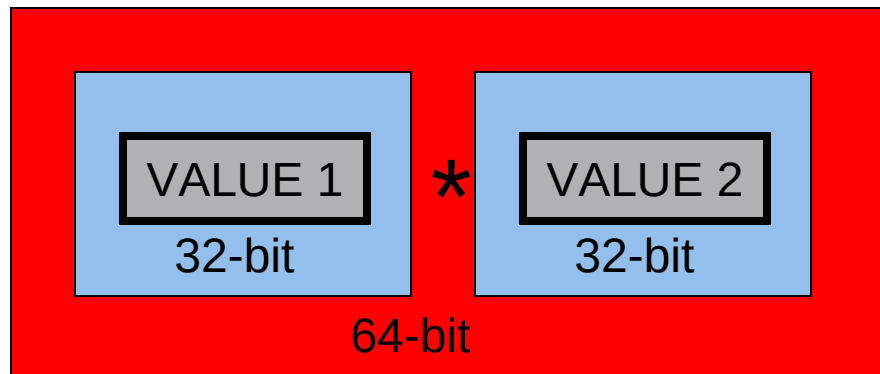
Scaling term is squared ( $S^2$ ) and takes 32 bits

Also the integer part of the multiplication takes 32 bits

=> need 64 bits for full s16.16 \* s16.16 multiply

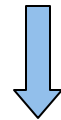
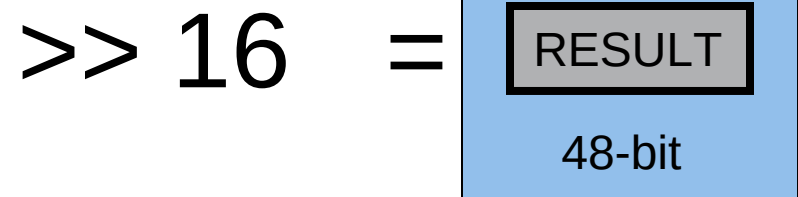


# Fixed point programming



Intermediate overflow

- Higher accuracy (64-bit)
- Downscale input
- Redo range analysis



Result overflow (48 bits)

- Redo range analysis
- Detect overflow, clamp

# Fixed point programming

Division of integer by integer to a fixed point result

```
#define div_int_int(a,b) \
 (int)((((int64)a)*(1<<16))/(b))
(a*S)/b = (a/b)*S
```

Division of fixed point by integer to a fixed point result

```
#define div_fixed_int(a,b) ((a)/(b))
```

Division of fixed point by fixed point

```
#define div_fixed_fixed(a,b) \
 (int)((((int64)a)*(1<<16))/(b))
(a*S*S)/(b*S) = (a/b)*S
```

# Fixed point programming

Power of two MUL & DIV can be done with shifts

$$a * 65536 = a \ll 16, \quad a / 256 = a \gg 8$$

Fixed point calculations overflow easily

Careful analysis of the range requirements is required

=>

**Always add validation code to your fixed point code**

# Fixed point programming

```
#if defined(DEBUG)
int add_fix_fix_chk(int a, int b)
{
 int64 bigresult = ((int64)a) + ((int64)b);
 int smallresult = a + b;
 assert(smallresult == bigresult);
 return smallresult;
}
#endif

#if defined(DEBUG)
define add_fix_fix(a,b) add_fix_fix_chk(a,b)
#else
define add_fix_fix(a,b) ((a)+(b))
#endif
```

# Fixed point math functions

Complex math functions

Pre-calculate for the range of interest

An example: Sin & Cos

Sin table between  $[0, 90^\circ]$ , fixed point angle ( $S = 2048$ )

Generate other angles and Cos from the table

Store in a short table (16-bit) as s0.16 ( $S = 32768$ )

Range for shorts is  $[-32768, 32767]$  ( $[-1.0, 1.0[$  for s0.16 FP)

Equals to  $[-1.0, +1.0[$  for s0.16 FP (  $+1.0$  not included !)

Negative values stored in the table (can represent  $-1.0$ )

# Example: Simple morphing (LERP)

Simple fixed point morphing loop (16-bit data, 16-bit coeff )

```
#define DOLERP_16(a,b,t) (short)((((b)-(a))*(t))>>16)+(a))

void lerpgeometry(short *out, const short *inA, const short *inB,
 int count, int scale)
{
 int i;

 for(i=0; i<count; i++)
 {
 out[i*3+0] = DOLERP_16(inB[i*3+0], inA[i*3+0], scale);
 out[i*3+1] = DOLERP_16(inB[i*3+1], inA[i*3+1], scale);
 out[i*3+2] = DOLERP_16(inB[i*3+2], inA[i*3+2], scale);
 }
}
```

# Converting existing code

OS/device conversions

Programming model, C/C++, compiler, CPU

Windowing API conversion

EGL API is mostly cross platform

EGL Native types are platform specific

OpenGL -> OpenGL ES conversion



# Example: Symbian porting

## Programming model

- C++ with some changes (e.g., exceptions)

- Event based programming (MVC), no main / main loop

- Three level multitasking: Process, Thread, Active Objects

## ARM CPU

- Unaligned memory accesses will cause exception (unlike x86)

OpenC (<http://www.forum.nokia.com/openc>)

# Example: EGL porting

Native types are OS specific

EGLNativeWindowType (RWindow \*)

EGLNativePixmapType (CFbsBitmap \*)

Pbuffers are portable

Config selection

Select the color depth to be same as in the display

Windowing system issues

What if render window is clipped by a system dialog?

Only full screen windows may be supported

# OpenGL porting

- glBegin/glEnd wrappers
  - \_glBegin stores the primitive type
  - \_glColor changes the current per-vertex data
  - \_glVertex stores the current data behind arrays and increments
  - \_glEnd calls glDrawArrays with primitive type and length

```
_glBegin(GL_TRIANGLES);
 _glColor4f(1.0, 0.0, 0.0, 1.0);
 _glVertex3f(1.0, 0.0, 0.0);
 _glVertex3f(0.0, 1.0, 0.0);
 _glColor4f(0.0, 1.0, 0.0, 1.0);
 _glVertex3f(0.0, 0.0, 1.0);
_glEnd();
```

# OpenGL porting

## Display list wrapper

Add the display list functions as wrappers

Add all relevant GL functions as wrappers

When drawing a list, go through the collected list

# OpenGL porting

```
void _glEnable(par1, par2)
{
 if(GLOBAL()->iSubmittingDisplayList)
 {
 *(GLOBAL()->dlist)++ = DLIST_CMD_GLENABLE;
 *(GLOBAL()->dlist)++ = (GLuint)par1;
 *(GLOBAL()->dlist)++ = (GLuint)par2;
 }
 else
 {
 glEnable(par1, par2);
 }
}
```

# OpenGL porting

## Vertex arrays

OpenGL ES supports only vertex arrays

SW implementations get penalty from float data

Use as small types as possible (byte, short)

For HW it shouldn't make a difference, mem BW

With OpenGL ES 1.1 always use VBOs

# OpenGL porting

No quads

Convert a quad into 2 triangles

No real two-sided materials in lighting

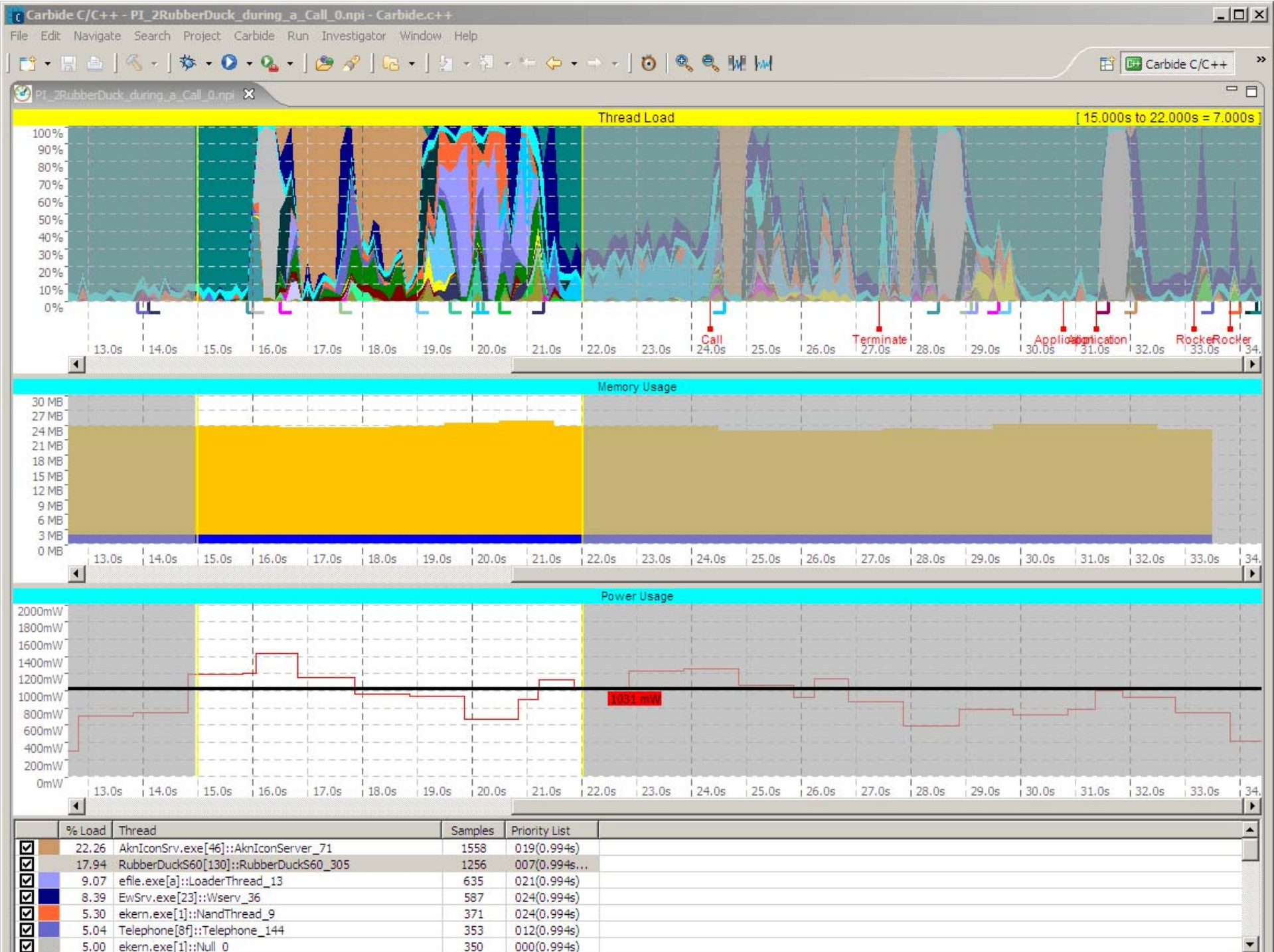
If you really need it, submit front and back triangles

OpenGL ES and querying state

OpenGL ES 1.0 only supports static getters

OpenGL ES 1.1 supports dynamic getters

For OpenGL ES 1.0, create own state tracking if needed





# Demo

## Quake2 from ID Software

Ported by Olli Hinkka to S60 and OpenGL ES

Runs on Nokia N95 8GB

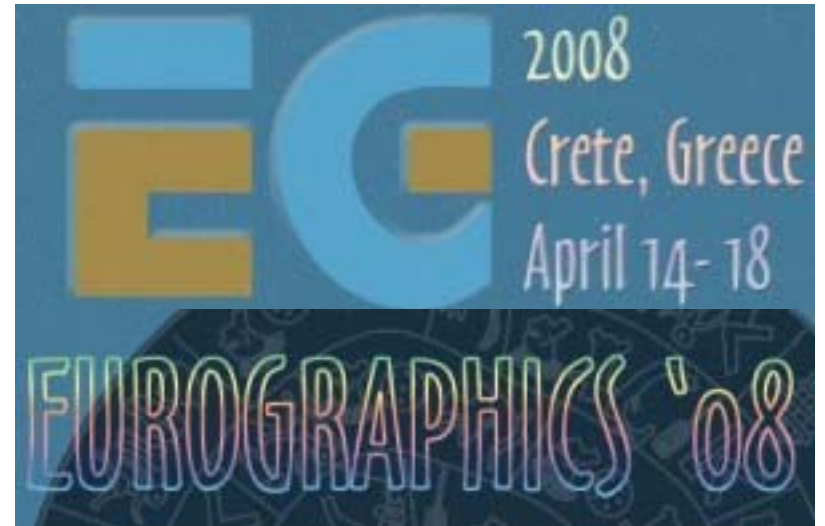
Current set of HW accelerated S60 devices:

N93, N93i, N95 (multiple variants), N82, E90

# Questions?



# OpenGL ES on PyS60



Kari Pulli

Nokia Research Center

# Python: Great for rapid prototyping

## Python

designed to be as small, practical,  
and open as possible

easy and fun OO programming

[sourceforge.net/projects/pyS60](http://sourceforge.net/projects/pyS60)

Python 2.2.2 on Symbian S60

wrappers for phone SDK libraries

can extend in Symbian C++



# Python bindings to OpenGL ES

Almost direct bindings

OpenGL ES functions that take in pointers typically take in a Python list

Next we'll show a full S60 GUI program with OpenGL ES

# Import libraries

```
import appuifw # S60 ui framework
```

```
import sys # standard Python
 # system stuff
```

```
from glcanvas import * # draw surface
```

```
from gles import * # OpenGL ES API
```

```
from key_codes import * # phone keys
```

# Application class, data

```
class Hello:
```

```
 vertices = array(GL_BYTE, 3,
 [-1, 1, 0,
 1, -1, 0,
 1, 1, 0])
```

```
 colors = array(GL_UNSIGNED_BYTE, 4,
 [255, 0, 0, 255,
 0, 255, 0, 255,
 0, 0, 255, 255])
```

# Initialize the application

```
def __init__(self): # class constructor
 self.exiting = False # while !exit, run
 self.frame, self.angle = 0, 0 # set variables
 self.old_body = appuifw.app.body
 try: # create surface
 c = GLCanvas(redraw_callback = self.redraw,
 resize_callback = self.resize)
 appuifw.app.body = c
 self.canvas = c
 except Exception, e:
 appuifw.note(u"Exception: %s" % (e))
 self.start_exit()
 return
 appuifw.app.menu = [(u"Exit", self.start_exit)]
 c.bind(EKeyLeftArrow, lambda:self.left())
 c.bind(EKeyRightArrow, lambda:self.right())
 self.initgl()
```



# Keyboard and resize callbacks

```
def left(self):
 self.angle -= 10

def right(self):
 self.angle += 10

def resize(self):
 if self.canvas:
 glViewport(0, 0,
 self.canvas.size[0],
 self.canvas.size[1])
```

# Main loop

```
def start_exit(self):
 self.exiting = True

def run(self):
 app = appuifw.app
 app.exit_key_handler = self.start_exit
 while not self.exiting:
 self.canvas.drawNow()
 e32.ao_sleep(0.01)
 app.body = self.old_body
 self.canvas = None
 app.exit_key_handler = None
```

# Initialize OpenGL ES

```
def initgl(self):
 glMatrixMode(GL_PROJECTION)
 glFrustumf (-1.0, 1.0, -1.0, 1.0,
 3.0, 1000.0)

 glMatrixMode(GL_MODELVIEW)
 glDisable (GL_DEPTH_TEST)
 glShadeModel(GL_SMOOTH)
 glClearColor(0.0, 0.0, 0.1, 1.0)
 glVertexPointerb(self.vertices)
 glColorPointerub(self.colors)
 glEnableClientState(GL_VERTEX_ARRAY)
 glEnableClientState(GL_COLOR_ARRAY)
```

# Draw cycle

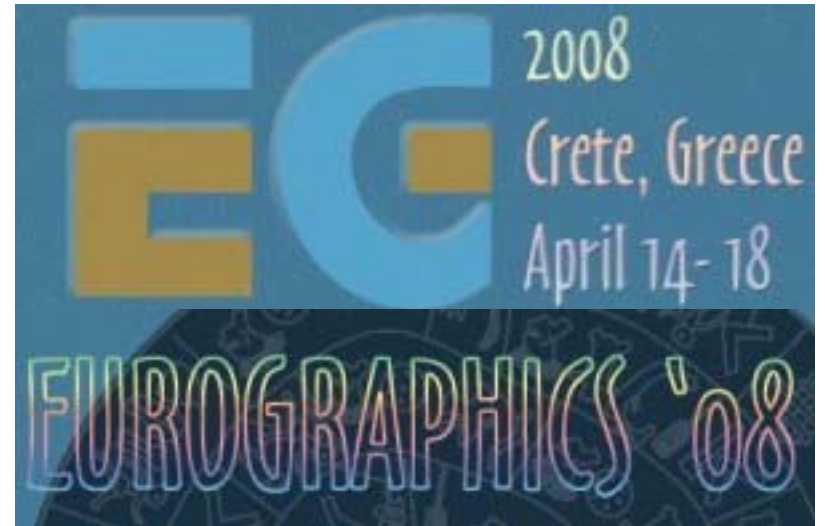
```
def redraw(self, frame=None):
 if self.canvas:
 glClear(GL_COLOR_BUFFER_BIT)
 glLoadIdentity()
 glTranslatef(0.0, 0.0, -5.0)
 glRotatef (self.angle,
 0.0, 0.0, 1.0)
 glRotatef (self.frame,
 0.0, 1.0, 0.0)
 glDrawArrays(GL_TRIANGLES, 0, 3)
 self.frame += 1
```

# Using the class

```
appuifw.app.screen = 'full'
try:
 app = Hello()
except Exception, e:
 appuifw.note(u"Cannot start: %s" %
 (e))

else:
 app.run()
del app
```

# OpenGL ES Performance Considerations



Ville Miettinen

# Targeting the "mobile platform"

CPU speed and available memory varies

Current range ~30Mhz - 600+ MHz, ARM7 to ARM11

From no FPUs to SIMD FPUs

Different resolutions

QCIF (176x144) to VGA (640x480) and beyond, antialiasing on higher-end devices

Color depths 4-8 bits per channel (12-32 bpp)

Portability issues

Different CPUs, OSes, Java VMs, C compilers, ...

OpenKODE from the Khronos Group will help to some extent

# Graphics capabilities

## General-purpose multimedia hardware

- Pure software renderers (all done using CPU & integer ALU)

- Software + DSP / WMMX / FPU / VFPU

- Multimedia accelerators

## Dedicated 3D hardware

- Software T&L + HW tri setup / rasterization

- Full hardware acceleration

Performance: 50K – 2M tris, 1M – 100M pixels / sec

Next gen: 30M+ tris, 1000M pixels / sec



# Standards help somewhat

Act as hardware abstraction layers

Provide programming interface (API)

Same feature set for different devices

Unified rendering model

Performance cannot be guaranteed

# Scalability

Successful application has to run on hundreds of different phone models

No single platform popular enough

Same gameplay but can scale video and audio

Design for lowest-end, add eye candy for high-end

Scalability has to be built into the design

# 3D content is easy to scale

Separate low and high poly count 3D models

Different texture resolutions & compressed formats

Rendering quality can be scaled

Texture filtering, perspective correction, blend functions,  
multi-texturing, antialiasing

# Special effects

## Identify special effects

Bullet holes, skid marks, clouds, ...

Cannot have impact on game play

Fog both gameplay and visual element

Multiplayer games have to be fair

Users can alter performance by controlling effects

# Tuning down the details

## Particle systems

- Number of particles, complexity, visuals

- Shared rendering budget for all particle systems

## Background elements

- Collapse into sky cubes, impostors

## Detail objects

- Models to have “important” and “detail” parts

# Profiling

Performance differences often system integration issues - not HW issues

Measuring is the only effective way to find out how changes in code affect performance

Profile on actual target device if possible

Public benchmark apps provide some idea of graphics performance

gDEDebugger ES for gfx driver profiling

# Identifying bottlenecks

Three groups: application code, vertex pipeline, pixel pipeline

Further partitioned into pipeline stages

Overall pipeline runs as fast as its slowest stage

Locate bottlenecks by going through each stage and reducing its workload

If performance changes, you have a bottleneck

Apps typically have multiple bottlenecks

# Pixel pipeline bottlenecks

Find out by changing rendering resolution

If performance increases, you have a bottleneck

Either texturing or frame buffer accesses

## Remedies

Smaller screen resolution, render fewer objects,  
use simpler data formats, smaller texture maps,  
less complex fragment and texture processing



# Vertex pipeline bottlenecks

## Vertex processing or submission bottlenecks

Find out by rendering every other triangle but using same vertex arrays

## Remedies

Submission: smaller data formats, cache-friendly organization, fewer triangles

Vertex processing: simpler T&L (fewer light sources, avoid dynamic lighting and fog, avoid floating-point data formats)

# Application code bottlenecks

Two ways to find out

- Turn off all application logic

- Turn off all rendering calls

Floating-point code #1 culprit

Use profiler

- HW profilers on real devices costly and hard to get

- Carbide IDE from Nokia (S60 and UIQ Symbian)

- Lauterbach boards

- Desktop profiling (indicative only)

# Changing and querying the state

Rendering pipes are one-way streets

Apps should know their own state

Avoid dynamic getters if possible!

Perform state changes in a group at the beginning of a frame

Avoid API synchronization

Do not mix 2D and 3D libraries!

# "Shaders"

Combine state changes into blocks ("shaders")

Minimize number of shaders per frame

Typical application needs only 3-10 "pixel shaders"

Different 3-10 shaders in every application

Enforce this in artists' tool chain

Sort objects by shaders every frame

Split objects based on shaders

# Complexity of shaders

Software rendering: everything costs!

Important to keep shaders as simple as possible

Even if introduces additional state changes

Example: turn off fog & depth buffering when rendering overlays

Hardware rendering: Usually more important to keep number of changes small

# Model data

Keep vertex and triangle data short and simple!

- Better cache coherence, less memory used

Make as few rendering calls as possible

- Combine strips with degenerate triangles

Weld vertices using off-line tool

Order triangle data coherently

Use hardware-friendly data layouts

- Buffer objects allow storing data on server

# Transformation pipeline

## Minimize matrix changes

Changing a matrix may involve many hidden costs

Combine simple objects with same transformation

Flatten and cache transformation hierarchies

## ES 1.1: Skinning using matrix palettes

CPU doesn't have to touch vertex data

## ES 1.1: Point sprites for particle effects

# Rendering pipeline

Rendering order is important

Front-to-back improves depth buffering efficiency

Also need to minimize number of state changes!

Use culling to speed up rendering pipeline

Conservative: frustum culling & occlusion culling

Portals and Potentially Visible Sets good for mobile

Aggressive culling

Bring back clipping plane in, drop detail & small objects



# Lighting

Fixed-function lighting pipelines are so 1990s

Drivers implemented badly even in desktop space

In practice only single directional light fast

OpenGL's attenuation model difficult to use

Spot cutoff and specular model cause aliasing

No secondary specular color

Flat shading sucks

Artifacts unless geometry heavily tessellated

# Lighting (if you have to use it)

Single directional light usually accelerated

Pre-normalize vertex normals

Avoid homogeneous vertex positions

Turn off specular illumination

Avoid distance attenuation

Turn off distant non-contributing lights

# Lighting: the fast way

While we're waiting for OpenGL ES 2.0 drivers

Pre-computed vertex illumination good if slow T&L

Illumination using texturing

Light mapping

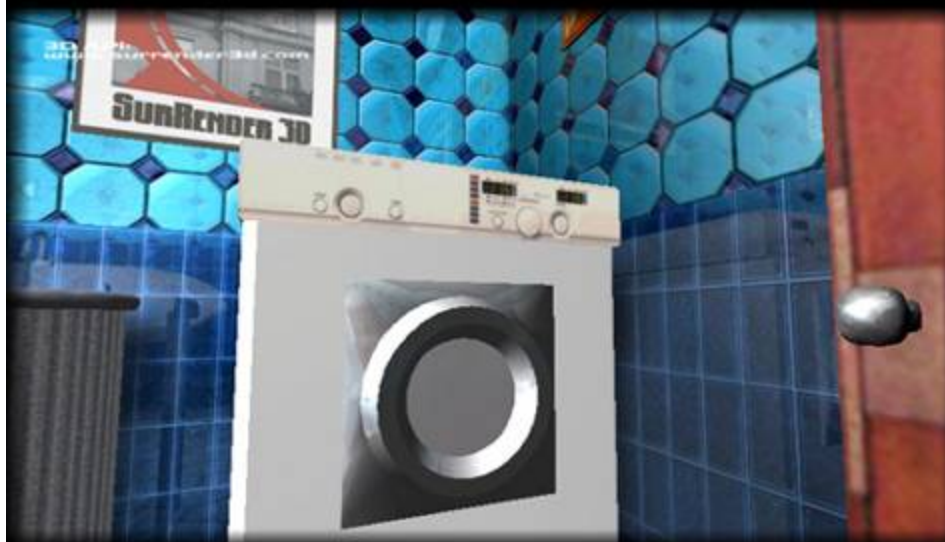
ES 1.1: dot3 bump mapping + texture combine

Less tessellation required

Combining with dynamic lighting: color material tracking







# Textures

Mipmaps always a Good Thing™

Improved cache coherence and visual quality

ES 1.1 supports auto mipmap generation

Avoid modifying texture data

Keep textures "right size", use compressed textures

Different strategies for texture filtering & perspective correction

SW implementations affected

# Textures (cont'd)

## Multitexturing

- Always faster than doing multiple rendering passes

- ES 1.1: support at least two texturing units

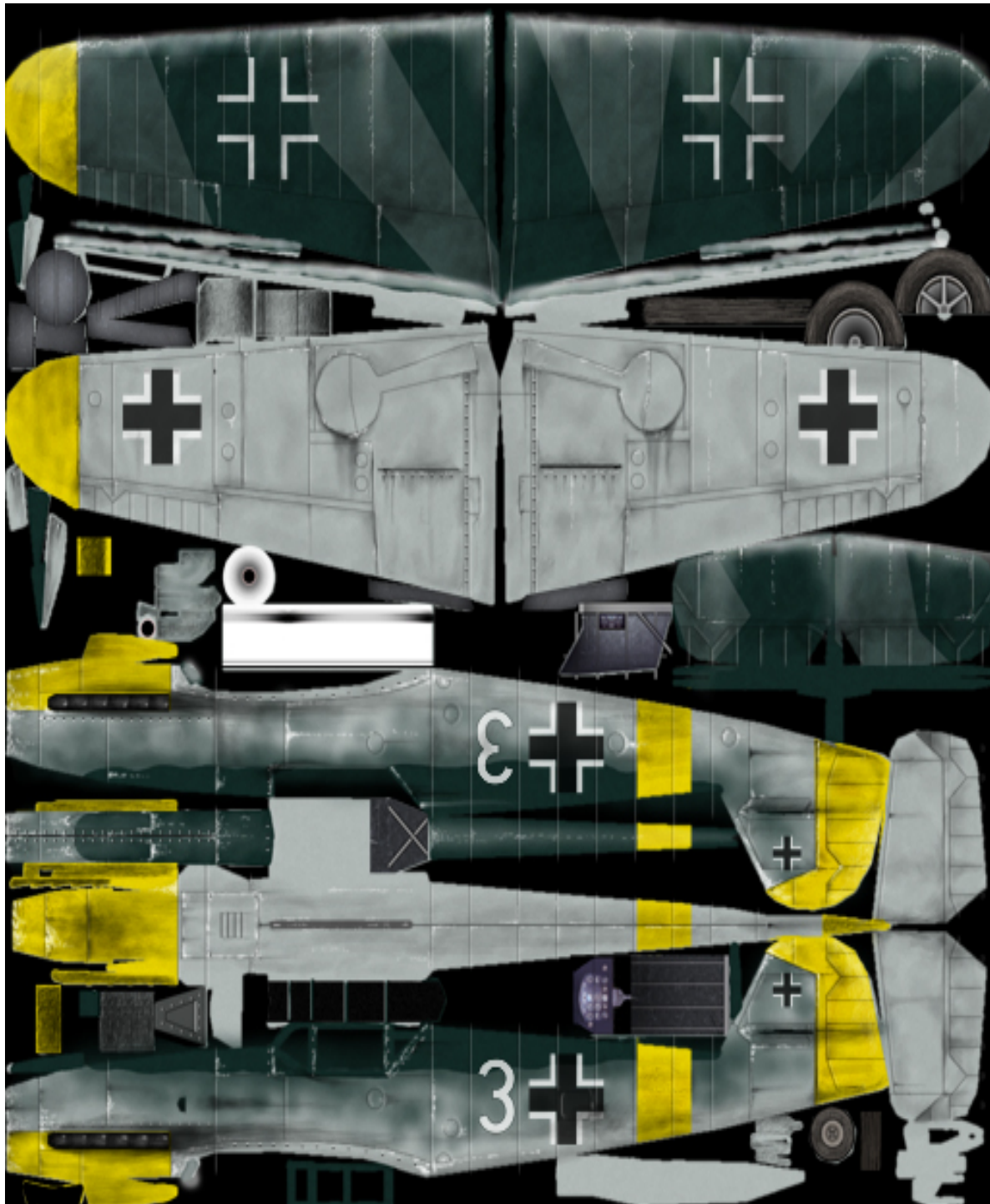
- ES 1.1: TexEnvCombine neat toy

## Use small & compressed texture formats

## Texture atlases: combining multiple textures

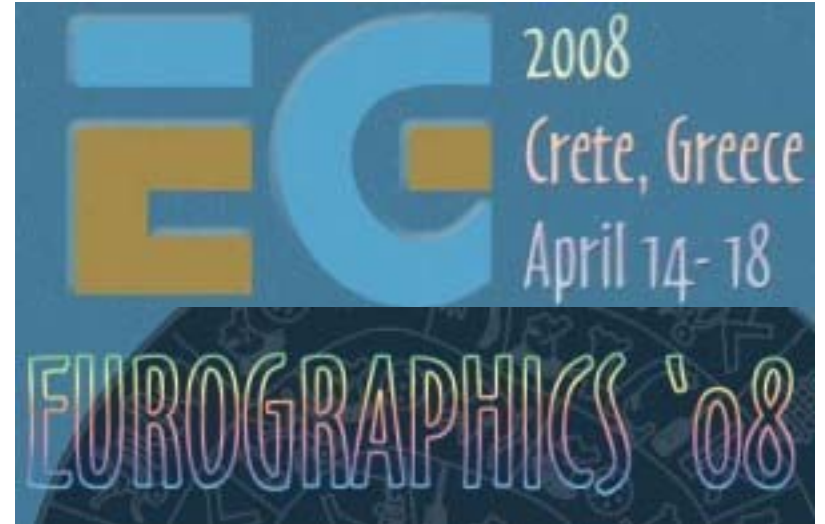
- Reduces texture state changes







# ES 2.0 Overview



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## OpenGL ES Shading Language

- Differences versus desktop

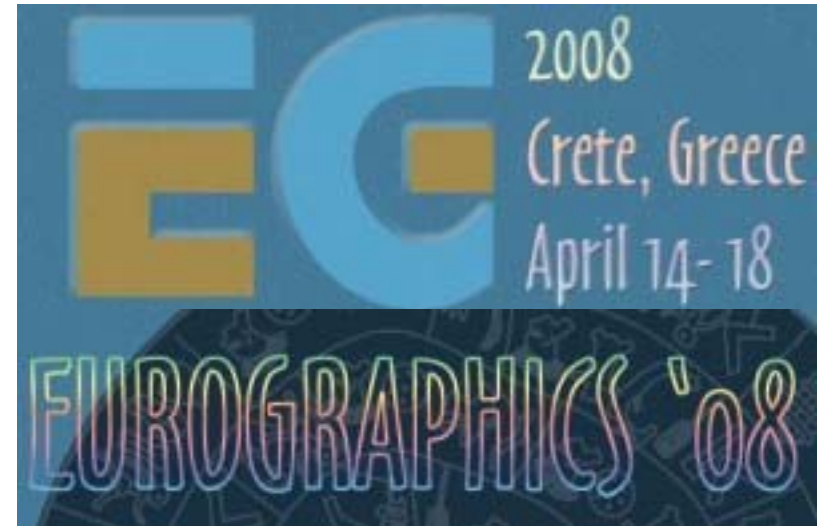
- Embedded architectures

- Relative cost of operations

- Special features: Precision & Invariance

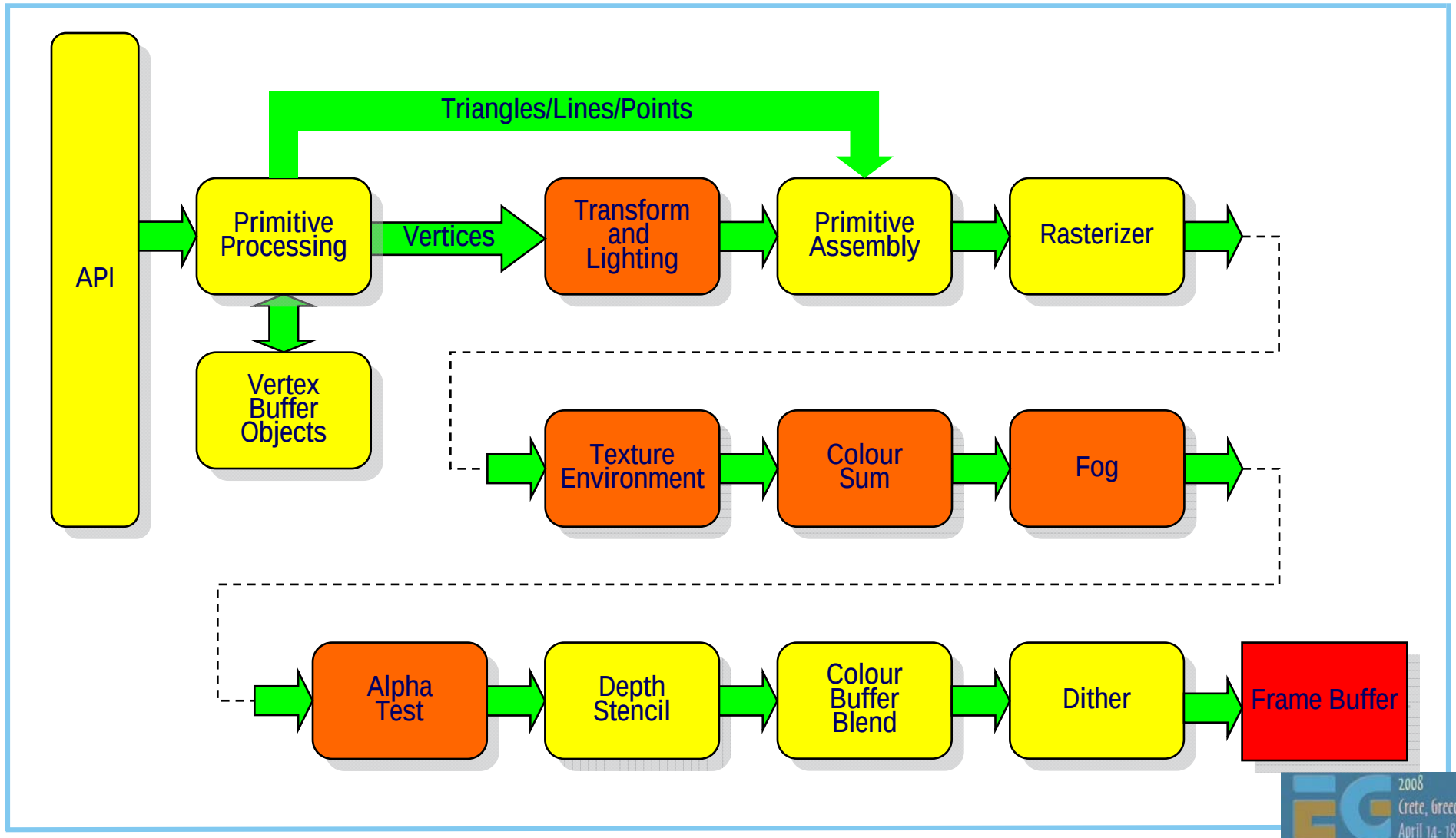
- Some tips for programming with ES

# ES 2.0 Pipeline

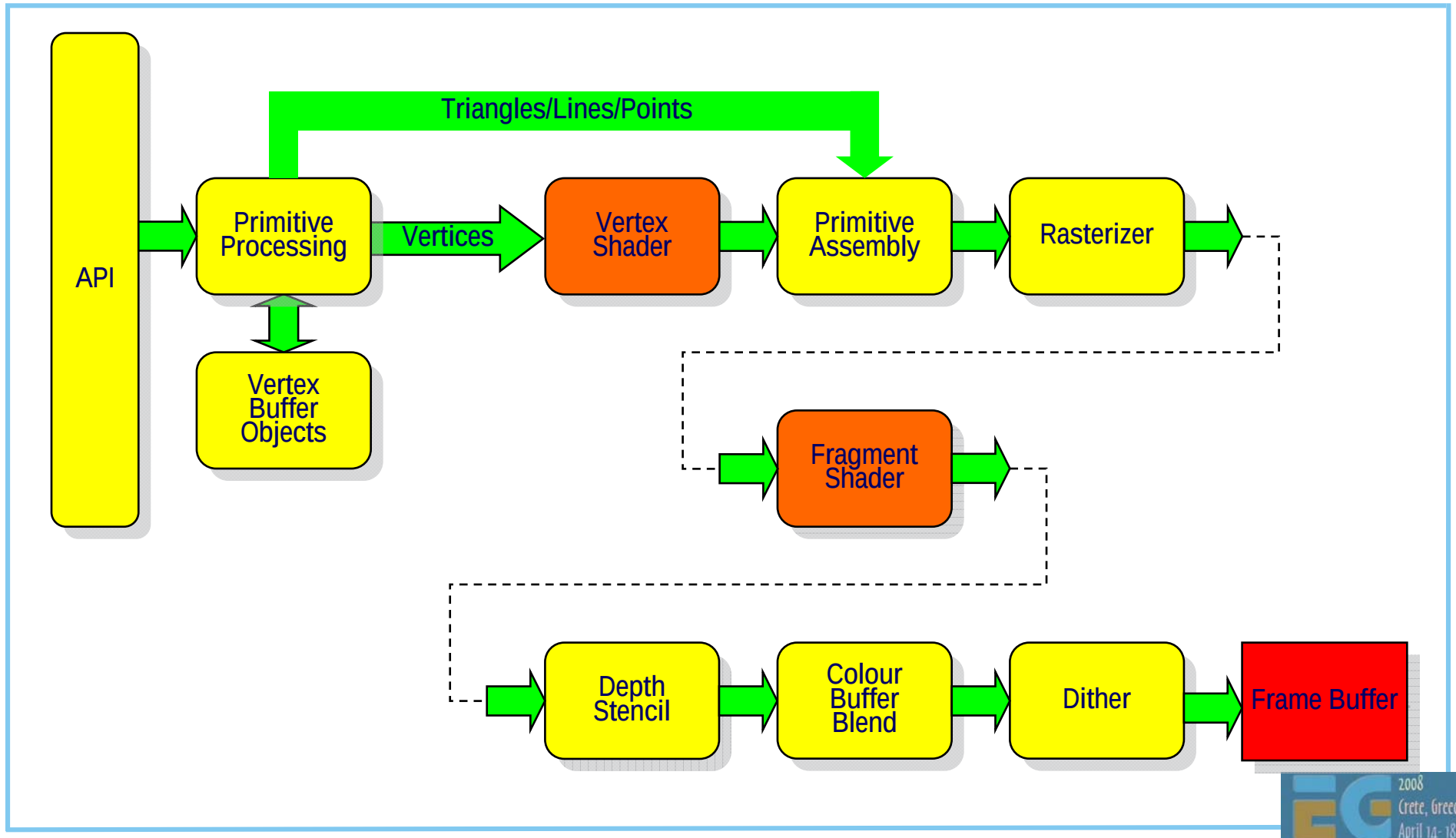


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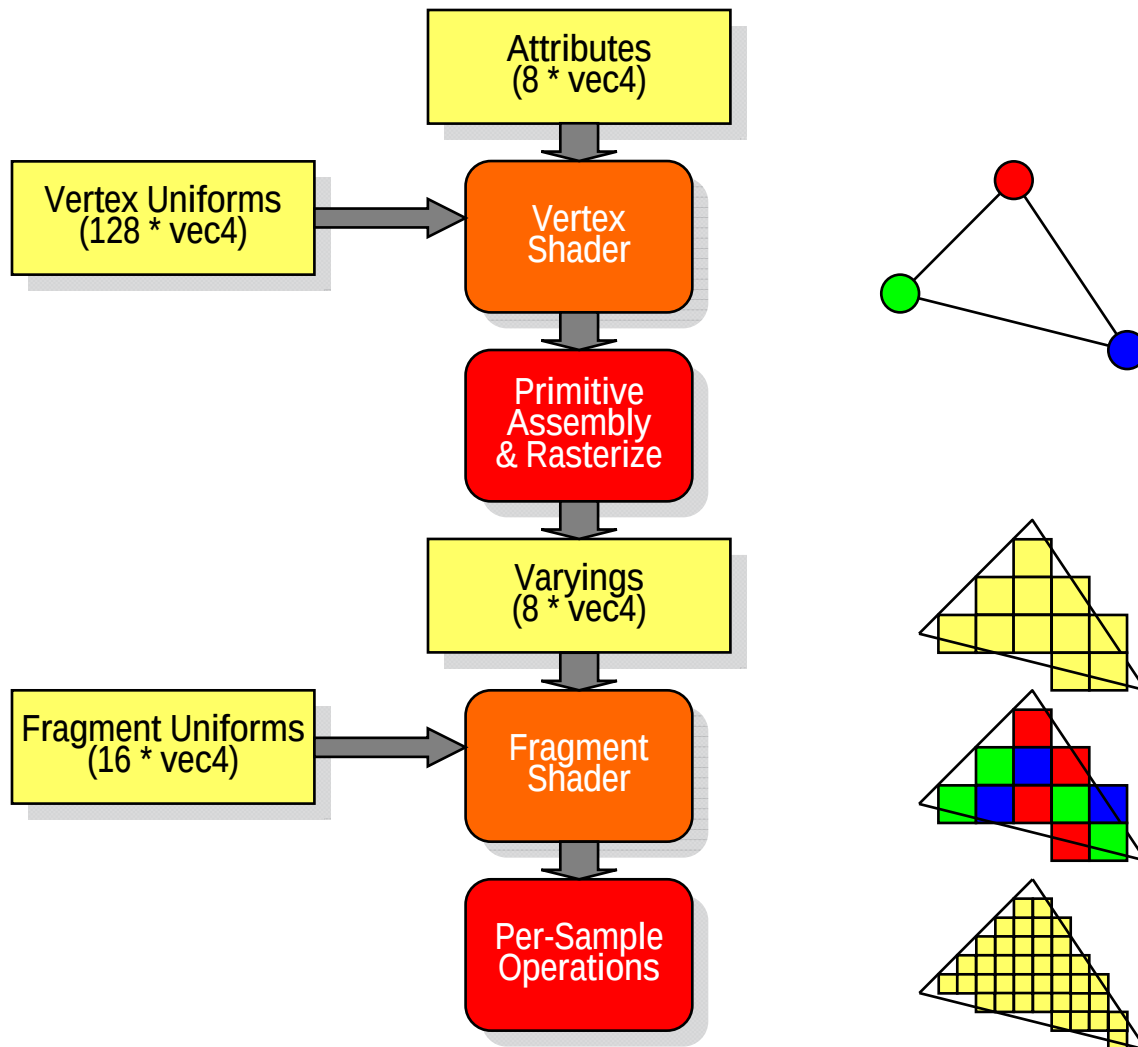
# Open GL ES Fixed Function pipeline



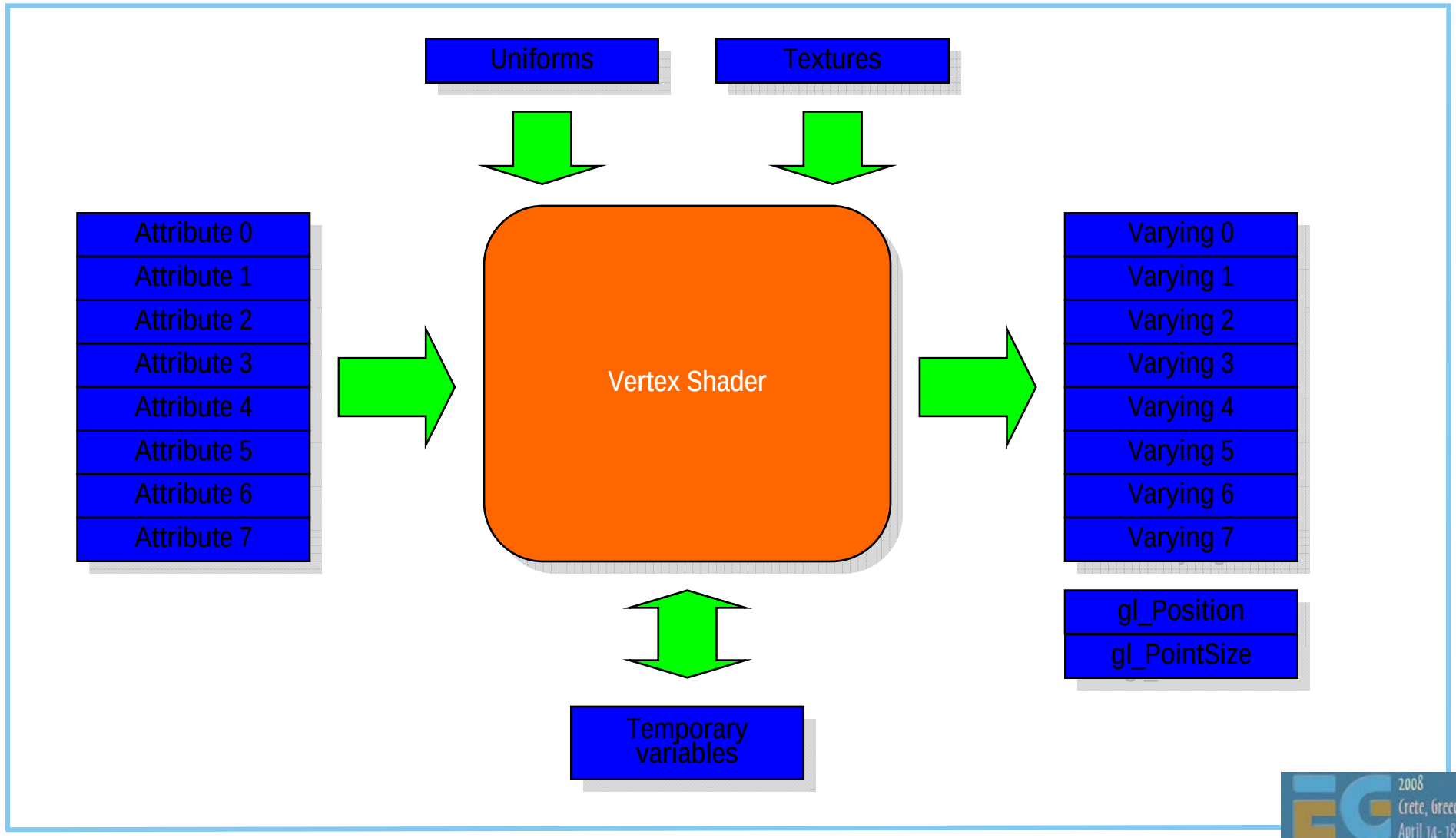
# Open GL ES Programmable pipeline



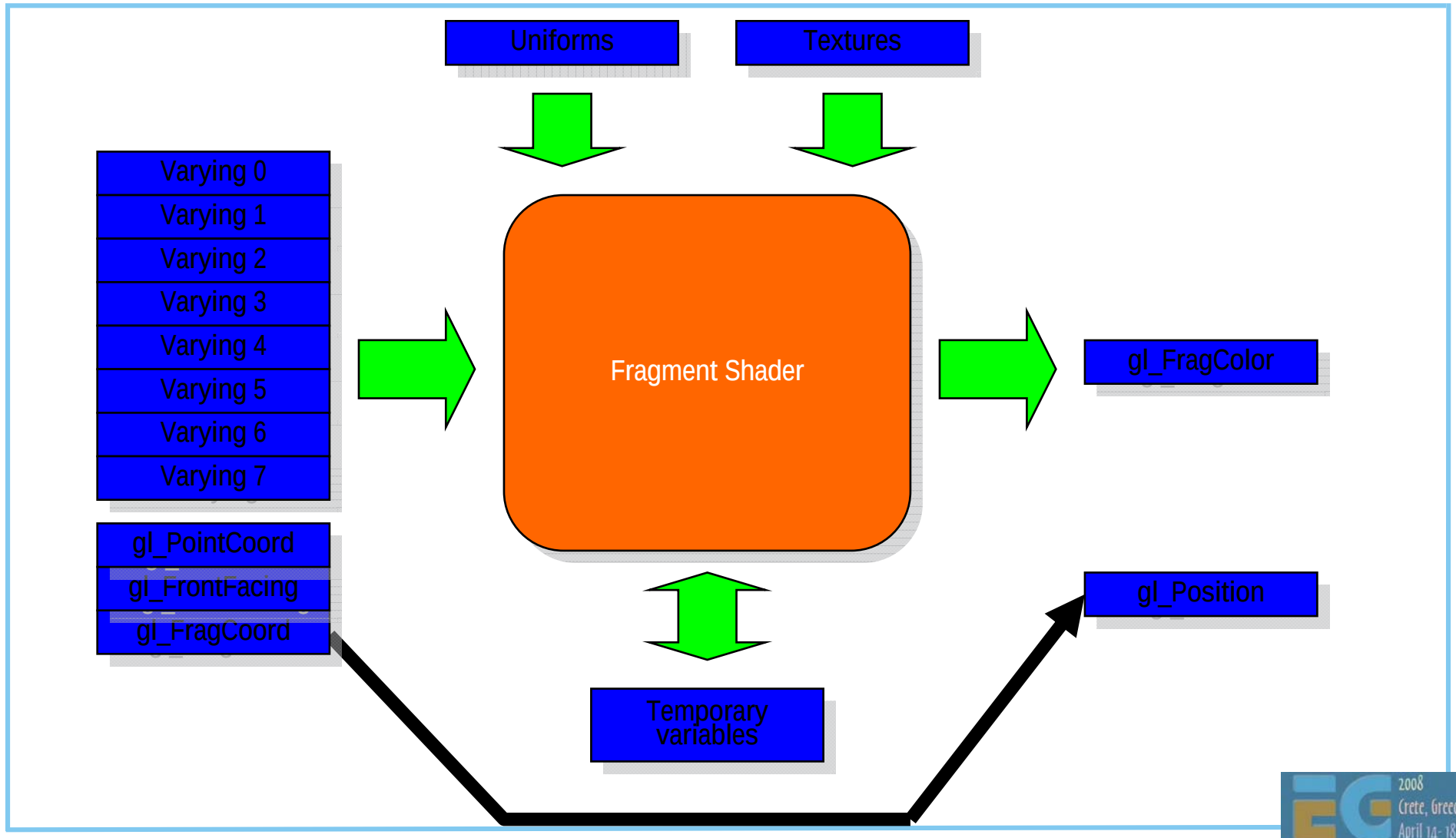
# Programmer's model



# Vertex Shader



# Fragment Shader





# The Vertex Shader

The vertex shader can do:

- Transformation of position using model-view and projection matrices

- Transformation of normals, including renormalization

- Texture coordinate generation and transformation

- Per-vertex lighting

- Calculation of values for lighting per pixel

# The Vertex Shader

The vertex shader cannot do:

- Anything that requires information from more than one vertex

- Anything that depends on connectivity.

- Any triangle operations (e.g. clipping, culling)

- Access colour buffer

# The Fragment Shader

The fragment shader can do:

- Texture blending

- Fog

- Alpha testing

- Dependent textures

- Pixel discard

- Bump and environment mapping

# The Fragment Shader

The fragment shader cannot do:

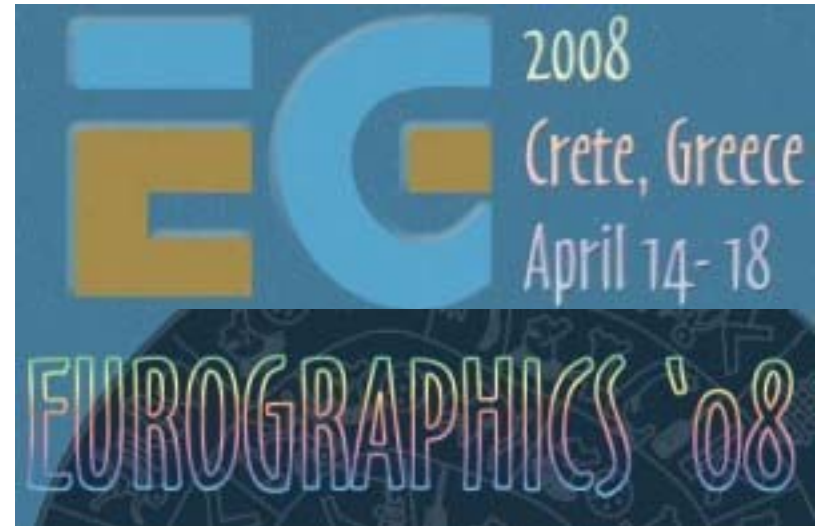
- Blending with colour buffer

- ROP operations

- Depth or stencil tests

- Write depth

# GLSL ES



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# GLSL ES Overview

- Based on GLSL as used in OpenGL 2.0

  - Open standard

- Pure programmable model

  - Most fixed functionality removed.

- Not 100% backward compatible with ES1.x

  - Embedded systems do not have the legacy requirements of the desktop

- No Software Fallback

  - Implementations (usually) hardware or nothing

  - Running graphics routines in software doesn't make sense on embedded platforms

- Optimized for use in Embedded devices

  - Aim is to reduce silicon cost

  - Reduced shader program sizes

  - Reduced register usage

  - Reduced numeric precision

# GLSL ES Overview

‘C’ – like language

Many simplifications

- No pointers

- Strongly typed. No implicit type conversion

- Simplified preprocessor

Some graphics-specific additions

- Built-in vector and matrix types

- Built-in functions

- Support for mixed precisions

- Invariance mechanism.

Differences from Desktop OpenGL

- Restrictions on shader complexity

- Fewer sampler modes

# GLSL ES Overview

## Comments

//  
/\* \*/

## Control

**#if**  
**#ifdef**  
**#ifndef**  
**#else**  
**#elif**  
**#endif**  
**#error**

## Operators

**defined**

## Macros

**#**  
**#define**  
**#undef**

## Extensions

**#pragma**  
**#extension**

## Misc

**#version**  
**#line**



# GLSL ES Overview

Scalar

**void float int bool**

Vector

boolean:

**bvec2 bvec3 bvec4**

integer:

**ivec2 ivec3 ivec4**

floating point:

**vec2 vec3 vec4**

Matrix

floating point

**mat2 mat3 mat4**

Sampler

**sampler2D**

Containers

Structures

**struct**

Arrays

**[]**

# GLSL ES Storage Qualifiers

## **const**

Local constants within a shader.

## **uniform**

'Constant shader parameters' (light position/direction, texture units, ...)  
Do not change per vertex.

## **attribute**

Per-vertex values (position, normal,...)

## **varying**

Generated by vertex shader  
Interpolated by the rasterizer to generate per pixel values  
Used as inputs to Fragment Shader  
e.g. texture coordinates

# Function Parameter Qualifiers

Used to pass values in or out or both e.g.

```
bool f(in vec2 in_v, out float ret_v)
{
 ...
}
```

Qualifiers:

|                 |                                               |
|-----------------|-----------------------------------------------|
| <b>in</b>       | Input parameter. Variable can be modified     |
| <b>const in</b> | Input parameter. Variable cannot be modified. |
| <b>out</b>      | Output parameter.                             |
| <b>inout</b>    | Input and output parameter.                   |

Functions can still return a value

But need to use a parameter if returning an array

# Function Parameter Qualifiers

Call by value 'copy in, copy out' semantics.

Not quite the same as c++ references:

```
bool f(inout float a, b)
{
 a++;
 b++;
}

void g()
{
 float x = 0.0;
 f(x,x); // x = 1.0 not 2.0
}
```

# GLSL ES Overview

Order of copy back is undefined

```
bool f(inout float a, b)
{
 a = 1.0;
 b = 2.0;
}

void g()
{
 float x ;
 f(x,x); // x = 1.0 or 2.0
 // (undefined)
}
```

# Precision Qualifiers

## **lowp float**

Effectively sign + 1.8 fixed point.

Range is  $-2.0 < x < 2.0$

Resolution 1/256

Use for simple colour blending

## **mediump float**

Typically implemented by sign + 5.10 floating point

$-16384 < x < 16384$

Resolution 1 part in 1024

Use for HDR blending.

# Precision Qualifiers

## highp float

Typically implemented by 24 bit float (16 bit mantissa)

range  $\pm 2^{62}$

Resolution 1 part in  $2^{16}$

Use of texture coordinate calculation

e.g. environment mapping

## single precision (float32)

Not explicit in GLSL ES but usually available in the vertex shader (refer to device documentation)

# Precision Qualifiers

Precision depends on the operands:

**lowp float x;**

**mediump float y;**

**highp float z = x \* y;**

(evaluated at medium precision)

Literals do not have any defined precision

**lowp float x;**

**highp float z = x \* 2.0 + 1.2;**

(evaluated at low precision)



# Constructors

Replaces type casting

No implicit conversion: must use constructors

All named types have constructors available

Includes built-in types, structures

Excludes arrays

Integer to Float:

```
int n = 1;
float x,y;
x = float(n);
y = float(2);
```

# Constructors

Concatenation:

```
float x = 1.0, y = 2.0;
vec2 v = vec2(x, y);
```

Structure initialization

```
struct S {int a; float b;};
S s = S(2, 3.5);
```

# Swizzle operators

Use to select a set of components from a vector

Can be used in L-values

```
vec2 u, v;
```

```
v.x = 2.0; // Assignment to single
 // component
```

```
float a = v.x; // Component selection
```

```
v.xy = u.yx; // swap components
```

```
v = v.xx; // replicate components
```

```
v.xx = u; // Error
```

Component sets: Use one of

**xyzw** OR **rgba** OR **stpq**

# Indexing operator

Indexing operator

```
vec4 u,v;
```

```
float x = u[0]; // equivalent to u.x
```

Must use indexing operator for matrices

```
mat4 m
```

```
vec4 v = m[0];
```

```
m.x; // error
```

# GLSL ES Overview

## Operators

`++ -- + - ! ( ) []`  
`* / + -`  
`< <= > >=`  
`== !=`  
`&& ^^ ||`  
`? :`  
`= *= /= += -=`

## Flow control

`x == y ? a : b`

`if else`

`for while do`

`return break continue`

`discard` (fragment shader only)

# Built-in Variables

Aim of ES is to reduce the amount of fixed functionality

Ideal would be a totally pure programmable model  
But still need some

Vertex shader

```
vec4 gl_Position; // Write-only
float gl_PointSize; // Write-only
```

Fragment shader

```
vec4 gl_FragCoord; // Read-only
bool gl_FrontFacing; // Read-only
vec2 gl_PointCoord; // Read-only
float gl_FragColor; // Write only
```

# Built-in Functions

## General

`pow, exp2, log2, sqrt, inversesqrt`  
`abs, sign, floor, ceil, fract, mod,`  
`min, max, clamp`

## Trig functions

`radians, degrees, sin, cos, tan,`  
`asin, acos, atan`

## Geometric

`length, distance, cross, dot, normalize,`  
`faceForward, reflect, refract`

# GLSL ES Overview

## Interpolations

`mix(x,y,alpha)`

`x*( 1.0-alpha) + y*alpha)`

`step(edge,x)`

`x <= edge ? 0.0 : 1.0`

`smoothstep(edge0,edge1,x)`

`t = (x-edge0)/(edge1-edge0);`

`t = clamp( t, 0.0, 1.0);`

`return t*t*(3.0-2.0*t);`

## Texture

`texture1D, texture2D, texture3D, textureCube`

`texture1DProj, texture2DProj, textureCubeProj`



# GLSL ES Overview

Vector comparison ( $\text{vec}_n$ ,  $\text{ivec}_n$ )

$\text{bvec}_n$  **lessThan**( $\text{vec}_n$ ,  $\text{vec}_n$ )

$\text{bvec}_n$  **lessThanEqual**( $\text{vec}_n$ ,  $\text{vec}_n$ )

$\text{bvec}_n$  **greaterThan**( $\text{vec}_n$ ,  $\text{vec}_n$ )

$\text{bvec}_n$  **greaterThanEqual**( $\text{vec}_n$ ,  $\text{vec}_n$ )

Vector comparison ( $\text{vec}_n$ ,  $\text{ivec}_n$ ,  $\text{bvec}_n$ )

$\text{bvec}_n$  **equal**( $\text{vec}_n$ ,  $\text{vec}_n$ )

$\text{bvec}_n$  **notEqual**( $\text{vec}_n$ ,  $\text{vec}_n$ )

Vector ( $\text{bvec}_n$ )

$\text{bvec}_n$  **any**( $\text{bvec}_n$ )

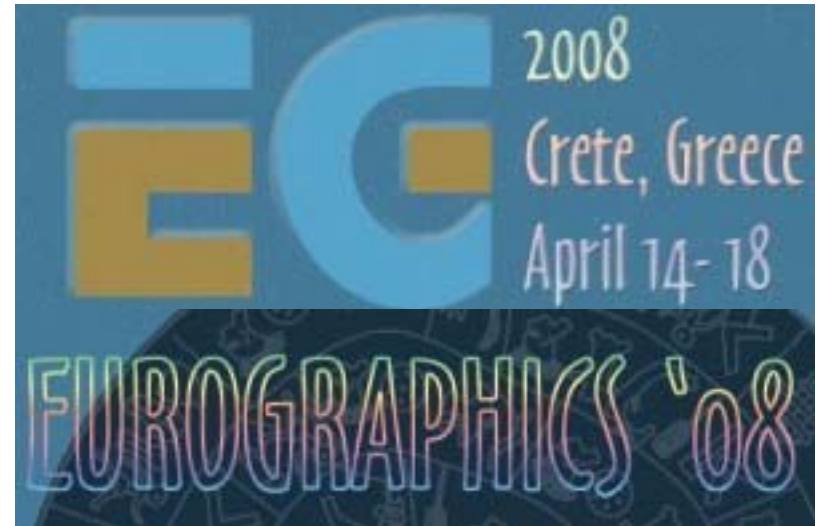
$\text{bvec}_n$  **all**( $\text{bvec}_n$ )

$\text{bvec}_n$  **not**( $\text{bvec}_n$ )

Matrix

**matrixCompMult** ( $\text{mat}_n$ ,  $\text{mat}_n$ )

# Invariance



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# Invariance

Definition:

“An invariant operation is an operation that, given the same set of inputs, always produces the same result.”

So why might this not be true?

# Invariance: The Problem

## Causes of variance:

Mathematical operations are not precisely defined.

No IEEE arithmetic

User has limited control over the driver/compiler

Compilers 'cheat' a bit to get better performance e.g.

$$a + b + c + d \quad \text{-->} \quad (a+b) + (c+d)$$

Mathematically correct but in floating point can give different a result

## Consequence:

Same code may produce (slightly) different results

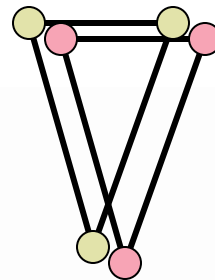
# Invariance

Why do you care?

Multi-pass

Any algorithm relying  
on repeatable  
calculations

Any algorithm relying  
on a value  
remaining constant



# Invariance

Consider a simple transform in the vertex shader:

$$\begin{pmatrix} x' \\ y' \\ z' \\ w' \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} a & b & c & d \\ e & f & g & h \\ i & j & k & l \\ m & n & o & p \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \\ w \end{pmatrix}$$

$$x' = ax + by + cz + dw$$

But how is this calculated in practice?

There may be several possible code sequences

# Invariance

e.g.

```
MUL R1, a, x
MUL R2, b, y
MUL R3, c, z
MUL R4, d, w
ADD R1, R1, R2
ADD R3, R3, R4
ADD R1, R1, R3
```

or

```
MUL R1, a, x
MADD R1, b, y
MADD R1, c, z
MADD R1, d, w
```

# Invariance

Three reasons the result may differ:

- Use of different instructions

- Instructions executed in a different order

- Different precisions used for intermediate results (only minimum precisions are defined)

But it gets worse...



# Invariance

Modern compilers may rearrange your code  
Values may lose precision when written to a register  
Sometimes cheaper to recalculate a value  
But will it be calculated the same way?

```
const vec2 pos = a + b * c; // Done once
 // or twice?

vec4 col1 = texture2D(tex1, pos);
...
vec4 col2 = texture2D(tex2, pos); // does pos have
 // the same value
 // as before?

gl_FragColor = col1 - col2; //
```

# Invariance

Solution is in two parts:

invariant keyword specifies that specific variables are invariant e.g.

```
invariant varying vec3 LightPosition;
```

Currently can only be used on certain variables

Global switch to make all variable invariant

```
#pragma STDGL invariant(all)
```

# Invariance

## Invariance flag controls:

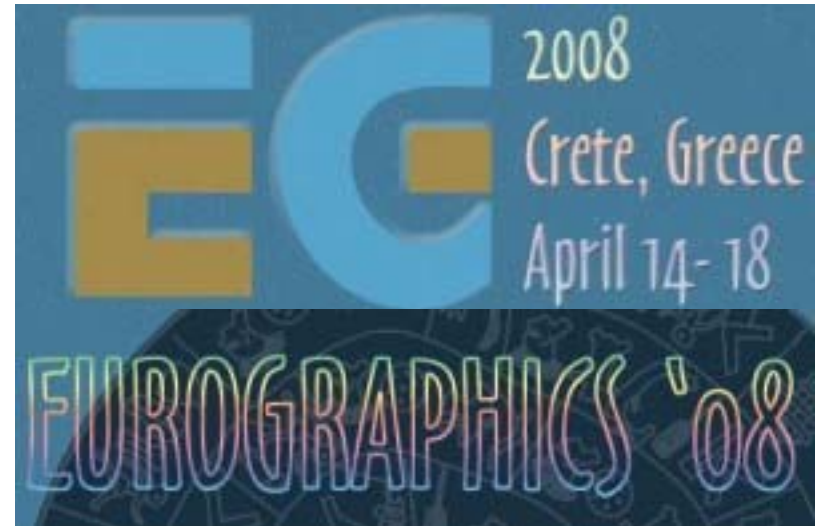
- Invariance within shaders
- Invariance between shaders.

## Usage

- Turn on invariance to make programs 'safe' and easier to debug
- Turn off invariance to get the maximum optimization from the compiler.

# ES2.0 Example:

## The Application Framework



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# Writing an application – Basic Steps

Set up EGL

Setup shader, pipeline state

Create vertex buffers, textures

Main loop

- Update state (transforms etc.)

- Bind

- Draw

# Writing an App – Initialization

## EGL

- Get EGL display

- EGL Initialization

- Choose EGL config options using an attribute list

- Create window surface

- Create EGL context and attach to surface

## GL ES

- Compile and Link shaders

- Create and bind Textures

- Bind (or get) attributes

- Set up uniforms

- Create Vertex Buffers

- Map buffer data

# Writing an App – EGL Initialization

```
EGLDisplay egl_display =
eglGetDisplay(EGL_DEFAULT_DISPLAY);

int ok = eglInitialize(egl_display,
 &majorVersion,
 &minorVersion)
```

# EGL Initialization

Set up attributes for EGL context

```
EGLint attr[MAX_EGL_ATTRIBUTES];
```

```
attr[nAttrib++] = EGL_RED_SIZE;
attr[nAttrib++] = 5;
```

```
...
```

```
attrib[nAttrib++] = EGL_DEPTH_SIZE;
attrib[nAttrib++] = 16;
attrib[nAttrib++] = EGL_STENCIL_SIZE;
attrib[nAttrib++] = 0;
```

```
...
```



# EGL Initialization (cont)

```
eglChooseConfig(egl_display,
 attrib_list,
 &egl_config, // returned configs
 1, // max no. of configs
 &num_configs)
```

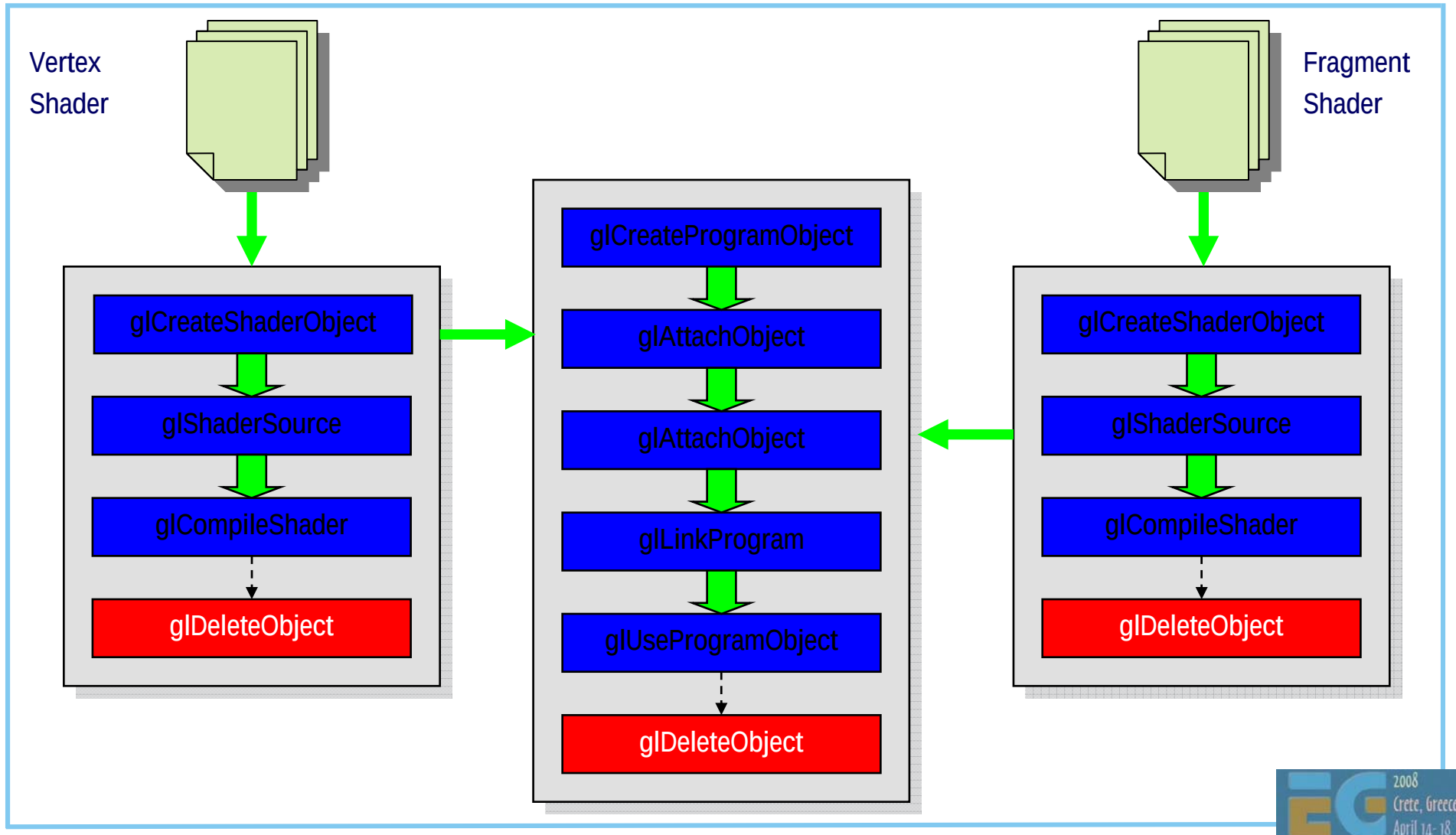
```
eglCreateWindowSurface(egl_display,
 egl_config,
 NativeWindowType (hWnd),
 NULL)
```

# EGL Initialization: Creating a context

```
context = eglCreateContext(egl_display,
 egl_config,
 EGL_NO_CONTEXT,
 NULL);

eglMakeCurrent(egl_display,
 egl_surface, // for draw
 egl_surface, // for read
 egl_context);
```

# Compiling and using shaders



# Compiling and Linking Shaders

Create objects

```
program_handle = glCreateProgram();
```

```
// Create one shader of object of each type.
```

```
GLuint vertex_shader_handle
 = glCreateShader (GL_VERTEX_SHADER);
```

```
GLuint fragment_shader_handle
 = glCreateShader (GL_FRAGMENT_SHADER);
```

# Compiling Shaders

Compile vertex shader (and fragment shader)

```
char* vert_source = ...
const char* vert_gls[1] = {vert_source};
glShaderSource(vertex_shader_handle,
 1, // no. of strings
 vert_gls,
 NULL);

glCompileShader(vertex_shader_handle);
GLint vertCompilationResult = 0;
glGetShaderiv(vertex_shader_handle,
 GL_COMPILE_STATUS,
 &vertCompilationResult);
```

# Linking Shaders

Attach shaders to program object and link

```
glAttachShader(program_handle,
 vertex_shader_handle);
```

```
glAttachShader(program_handle,
 fragment_shader_handle);
```

```
glLinkProgram (program_handle);
```

Note that many compilers will only report errors at link time.

# Setting up Attributes

Can bind attributes before linking e.g.

```
glBindAttribLocation (prog_handle, 0, "pos");
```

Or get attribute location after linking:

```
GLint p;
```

```
p = glGetAttribLocation (prog_handle, "pos");
```

Can do a combination.

# Setting up Textures

Texture samplers are ***Uniforms*** in GLSL ES

First Generate ID and specify type (cube map)

```
uint32 Id;
```

```
glGenTextures(1, &Id);
```

```
glActiveTexture (GL_TEXTURE0);
```

```
glBindTexture(GL_TEXTURE_CUBE_MAP, Id);
```



# Setting up Textures (cont)

```
glTexImage2D(GL_TEXTURE_CUBE_MAP_POSITIVE_X,
 0,
 GL_RGBA,
 width,
 height,
 0,
 GL_RGBA,
 GL_UNSIGNED_BYTE,
 image [0].pixels);
```

```
glTexImage2D(GL_TEXTURE_CUBE_MAP_NEGATIVE_X, ...
glTexImage2D(GL_TEXTURE_CUBE_MAP_POSITIVE_Y, ...
glTexImage2D(GL_TEXTURE_CUBE_MAP_NEGATIVE_Y, ...
glTexImage2D(GL_TEXTURE_CUBE_MAP_POSITIVE_Z, ...
glTexImage2D(GL_TEXTURE_CUBE_MAP_NEGATIVE_Z, ...
```

# Setting up Uniforms

Must do this after `glUseProgram`:

```
glUseProgram(prog_handle);
```

Use `glGetUniformLocation` e.g.

```
GLint loc_sky_box =
 glGetUniformLocation (prog_handle, "skyBox");
```

Can then set value e.g.

```
GLint texture_unit = 0;
glUniform1i (loc_sky_box, texture_unit);
```

# Setting up Attribute Buffers

Create buffer names

```
GLuint bufs[1];
glGenBuffers (1, bufs);
```

Create and initialize buffer

```
glBindBuffer (GL_ARRAY_BUFFER, bufs[0]);
glBufferData (GL_ARRAY_BUFFER,
 size_bytes, p_data, GL_STATIC_DRAW);
```

# Setting up Attribute Buffers (cont)

Specify format:

```
glBindBuffer(GL_ARRAY_BUFFER, bufs[0]);
```

```
glVertexAttribPointer(0, // index
 4, // size
 GL_FLOAT, // type
 GL_FALSE, // normalize?
 0, // (stride)
 NULL); // (attrs)
```

# Drawing the frame

Clear frame buffer

Set render state

Enable array

DrawArray

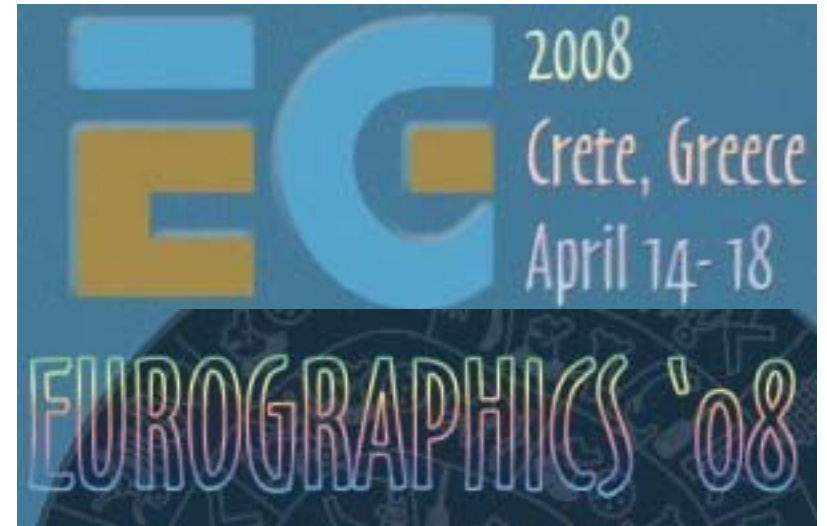
# Drawing

## Enable array and Draw

```
glEnableVertexAttribArray(0);
```

```
glBindBuffer (GL_ARRAY_BUFFER, 0);
```

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



# **ES2.0 Example**

- The shaders**

# Example: Water demo

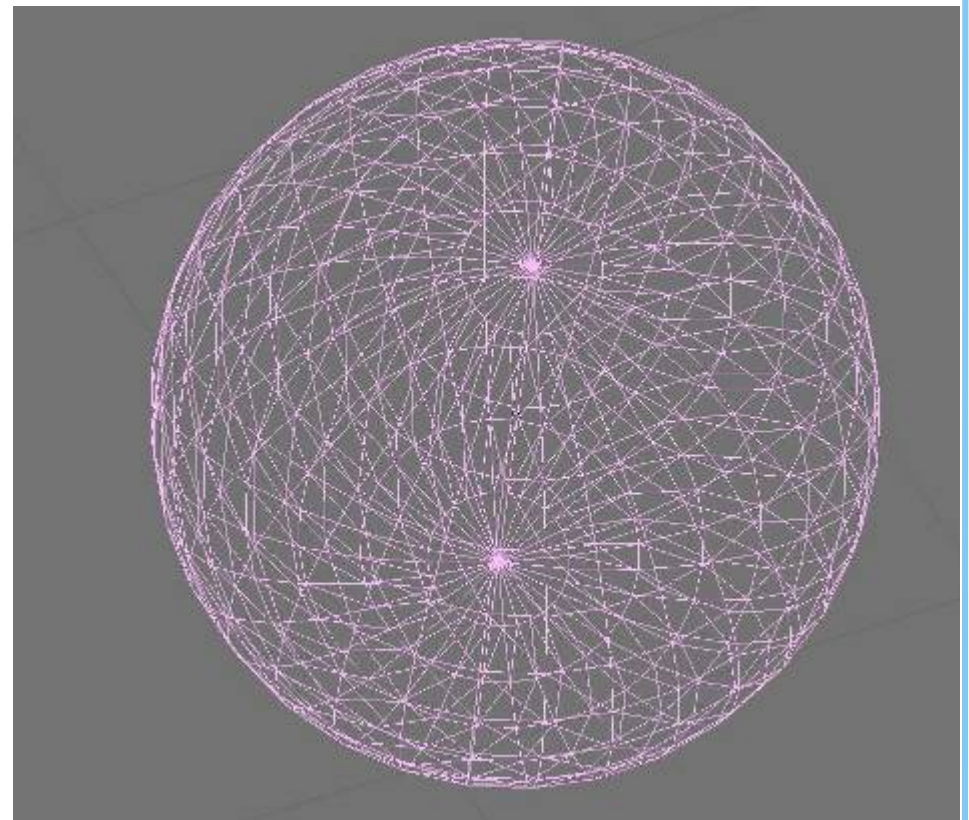




# Skybox

Geometry is a sphere

Use position to access a cube map

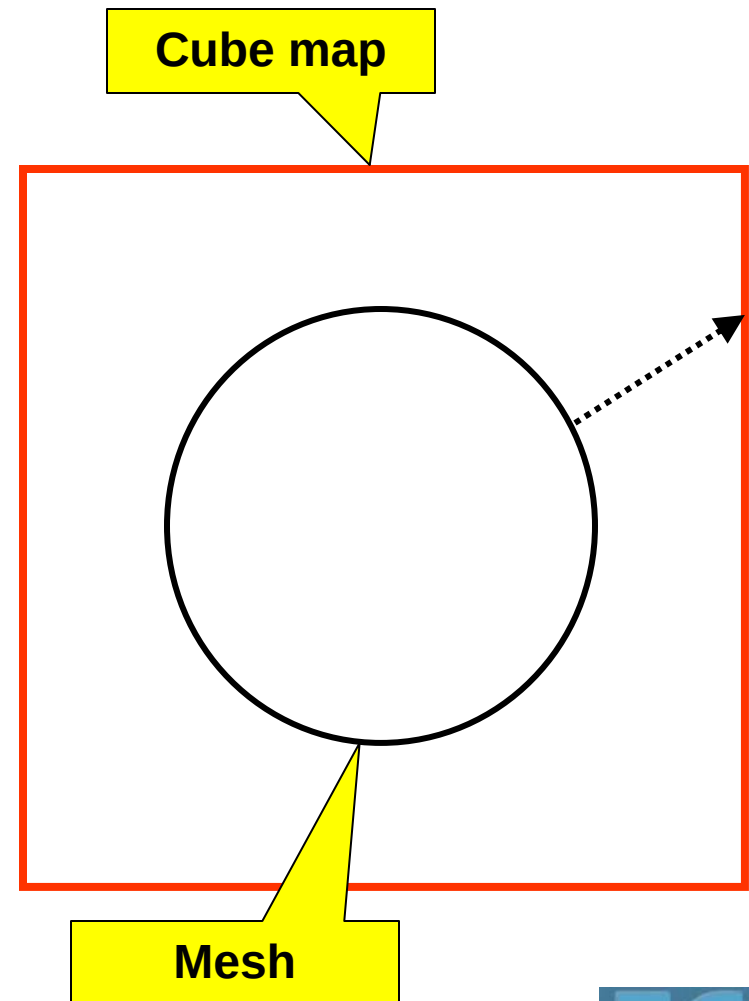


# Cube Map



# Skybox

Access cube map  
using the normals of  
the vertices

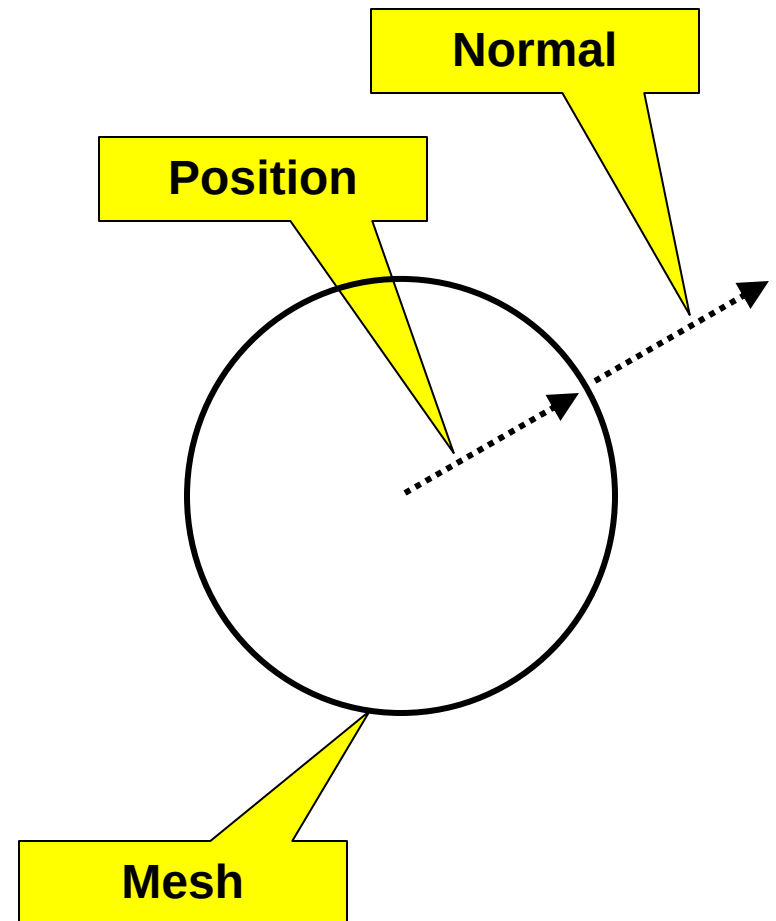


# Skybox

But...

Normal = Position

So no need to  
generate and  
store separate  
normals



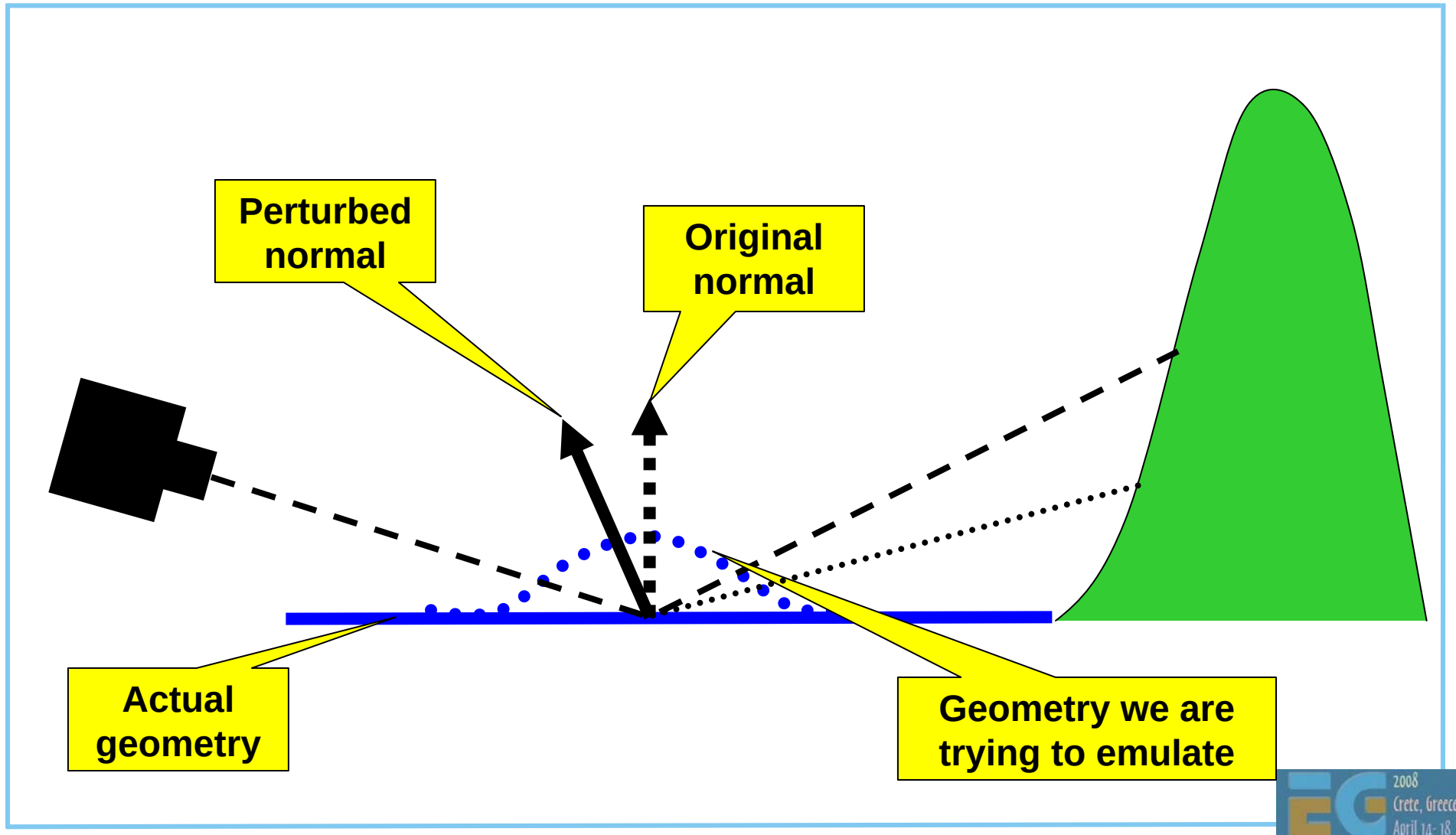
# Sky box: Vertex shader

```
uniform mat4 view_proj_matrix;
uniform vec4 view_position;
attribute vec4 rm_Vertex;
varying vec3 vTexCoord;
void main(void)
{
 vec4 newPos = vec4(1.0);
 newPos.xyz = rm_Vertex.xyz + view_position.xyz;
 gl_Position = view_proj_matrix * vec4(newPos.xyz, 1.0);
 vTexCoord = rm_Vertex.xyz;
}
```

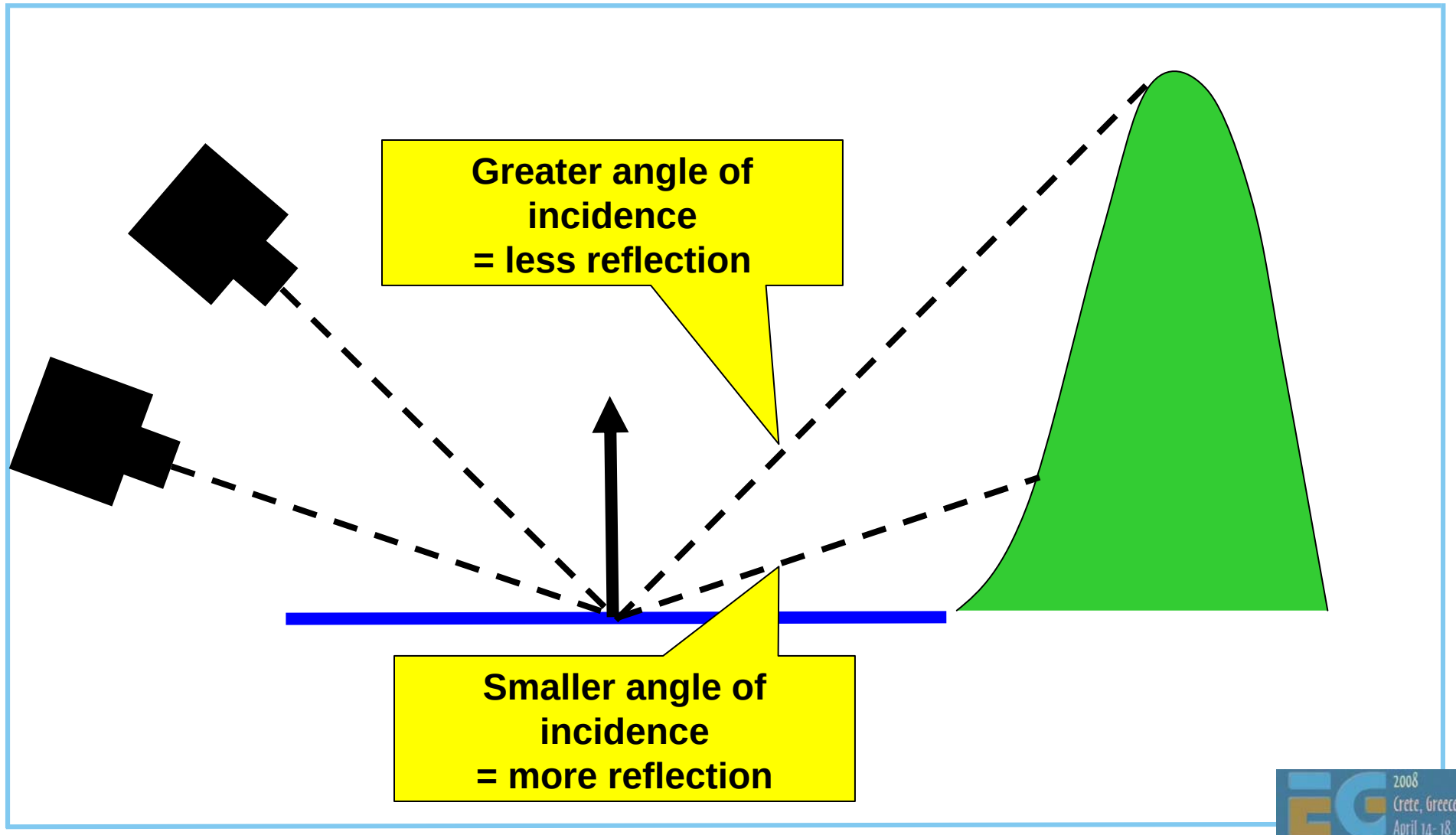
# Sky box: Fragment Shader

```
precision highp float;
uniform samplerCube skyBox;
varying vec3 vTexCoord;
void main(void)
{
 gl_FragColor = textureCube(skyBox, vTexCoord);
}
```

# Water: Reflection Mapping

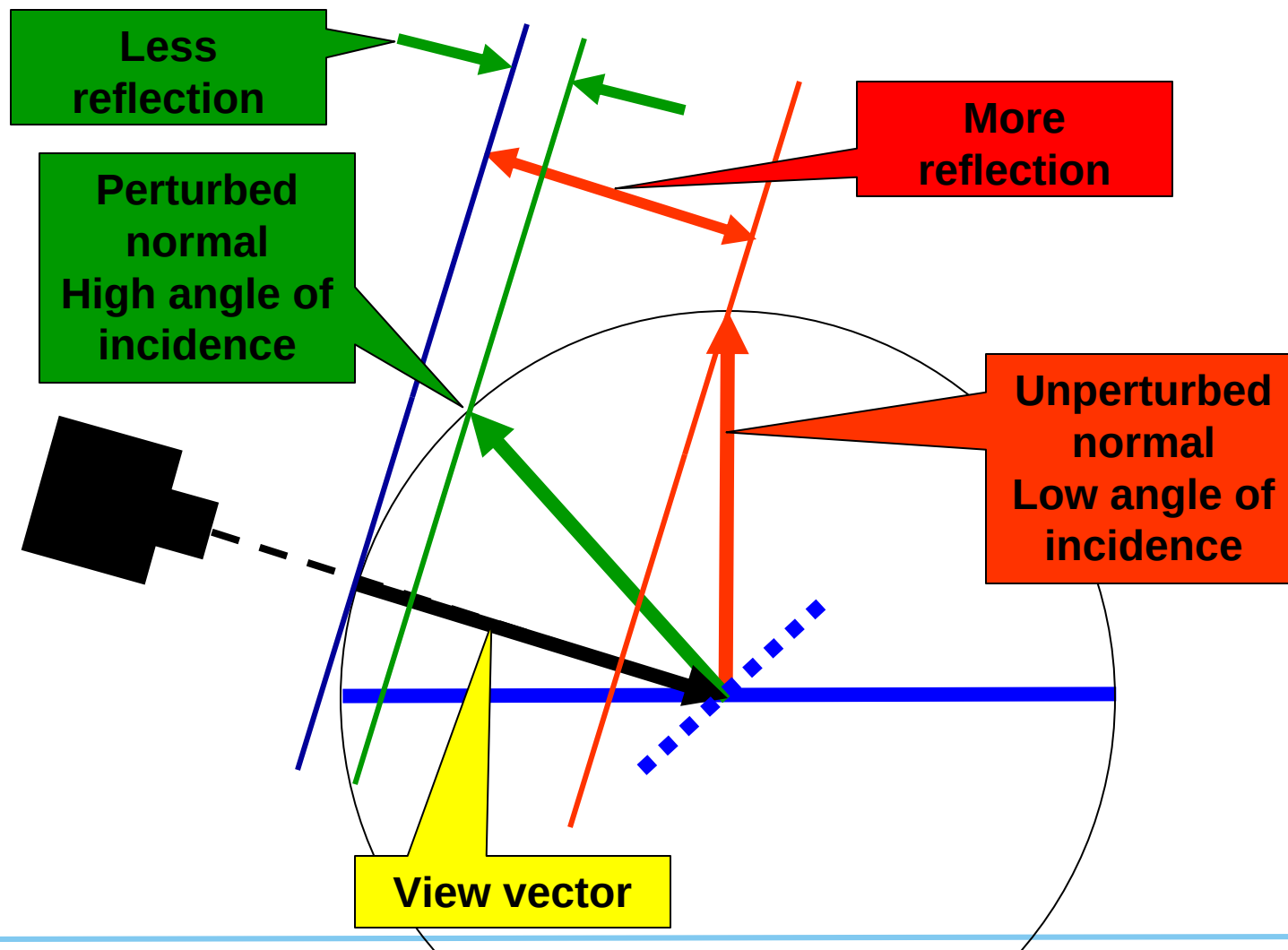


# Approximating Fresnel Reflection





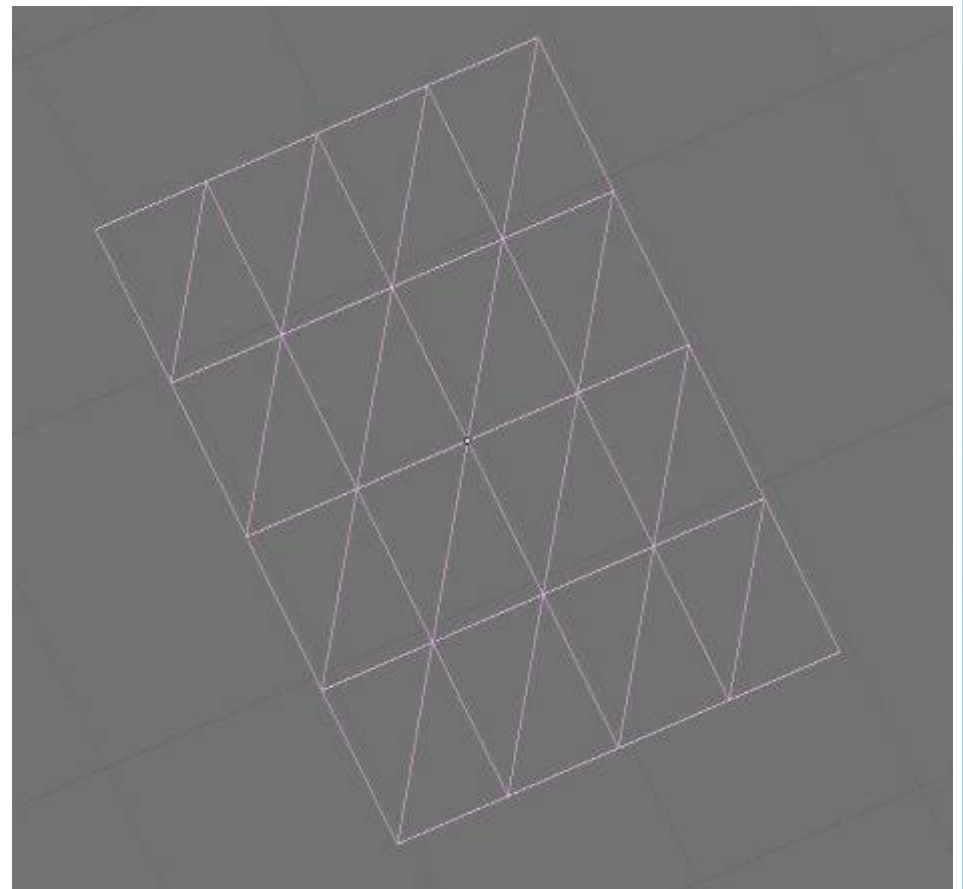
# Fresnel Reflection (cont.)



# Water

Geometry is a  
simple grid

Uses the same  
cubemap as the  
skybox

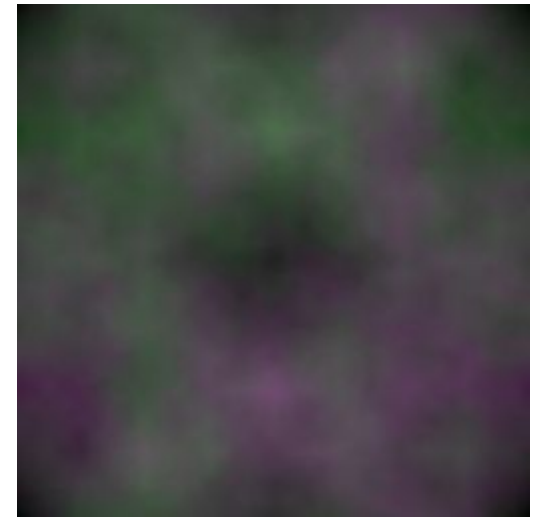


# Water Ripples

Use noise texture  
for bump map.

Exact texture not  
important

Try experimenting



# Water: Vertex Shader

```
uniform vec4 view_position;
uniform vec4 scale;
uniform mat4 view_proj_matrix;
attribute vec4 rm_Vertex;
attribute vec3 rm_Normal;
varying vec2 vTexCoord;
varying vec3 vNormal;
varying vec3 view_vec;
```

# Water: Vertex Shader (cont)

```
void main(void)
{
 vec4 Position = rm_Vertex.xyzw;
 Position.xz *= 1000.0;
 vTexCoord = Position.xz * scale.xz;
 view_vec = Position.xyz - view_position.xyz;
 vNormal = rm_Normal;
 gl_Position = view_proj_matrix * Position;
}
```

# Water: Fragment Shader

```
uniform sampler2D noise;
uniform samplerCube skyBox;
uniform float time_0_X;
uniform vec4 waterColor;
uniform float fadeExp;
uniform float fadeBias;
uniform vec4 scale;
uniform float waveSpeed;
varying vec2 vTexCoord;
varying vec3 vNormal;
varying vec3 vViewVec;
```

# Water Fragment Shader (cont)

```
void main(void)
{
 vec2 tcoord = vTexCoord;
 tcoord.x += waveSpeed * time_0_X;
 vec4 noisy = texture2D(noise, tcoord.xy);
 // Signed noise
 vec3 bump = 2.0 * noisy.xyz - 1.0;
 bump.xy *= 0.15;

 // Make sure the normal always points upwards
 bump.z = 0.8 * abs(bump.z) + 0.2;
```

# Water Fragment Shader (cont)

```
// Offset the surface normal with the bump
bump = normalize(vNormal + bump);

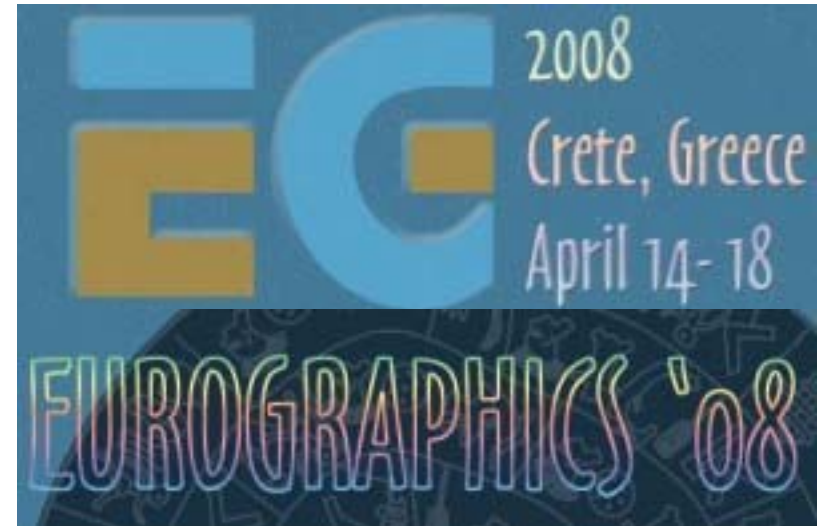
// Find the reflection vector
vec3 reflVec = reflect(vViewVec, bump);
vec4 refl = textureCube(skyBox, reflVec.yzx);
```



# Water Fragment Shader (cont)

```
float lrp = 1.0 - dot(-normalize(vViewVec), bump);

// Interpolate between the water color and
// reflection
float blend = fadeBias + pow(lrp, fadeExp);
blend = clamp(blend, 0.0, 1.0);
gl_FragColor = mix(waterColor, refl, blend);
}
```



# Programming Tips

# Programming Tips

Check for errors regularly

Use e.g.

```
assert(!glError ());
```

But remember glError () gets the last error:

```
... // error here
```

```
Glint error = glError ();
```

```
...
```

```
assert(!glError ()); // No error
```

# The coordinate system

Coordinate system is:

Right handed before projection

Increasing  $z$  is towards the viewer.

Left handed after projection

Increasing  $z$  is away from the viewer.

# Matrix Convention

Matrices are column-major  
column index varies more slowly

Vectors are columns

But this is purely convention

Only the position in memory is important

Translation specified in elements 12,13,14

# The projection matrix

You need to provide a projection matrix e.g.

$$\begin{bmatrix} \frac{2.0 * \text{near}}{\text{right} - \text{left}} & 0.0 & \frac{\text{right} + \text{left}}{\text{right} - \text{left}} & 0.0 \\ 0.0 & \frac{2.0 * \text{near}}{\text{top} - \text{bottom}} & \frac{\text{top} + \text{bottom}}{\text{top} - \text{bottom}} & 0.0 \\ 0.0 & 0.0 & \frac{-(\text{far} + \text{near})}{\text{far} - \text{near}} & \frac{-2.0 * \text{far} * \text{near}}{\text{far} - \text{near}} \\ 0.0 & 0.0 & -1.0 & 0.0 \end{bmatrix}$$

near and far are both *positive*

# Performance Tips

## Keep fragment shaders simple

Fragment shader hardware is expensive.

Early implementations will not have good performance with complex shaders.

## Try to avoid using textures for function lookups.

Calculation is quite cheap, accessing textures is expensive.

This is more important with embedded devices.

# Performance Tips (cont)

## Minimize register usage

Embedded devices do not support the same number of registers compared with desktop devices. Spilling registers to memory is expensive.

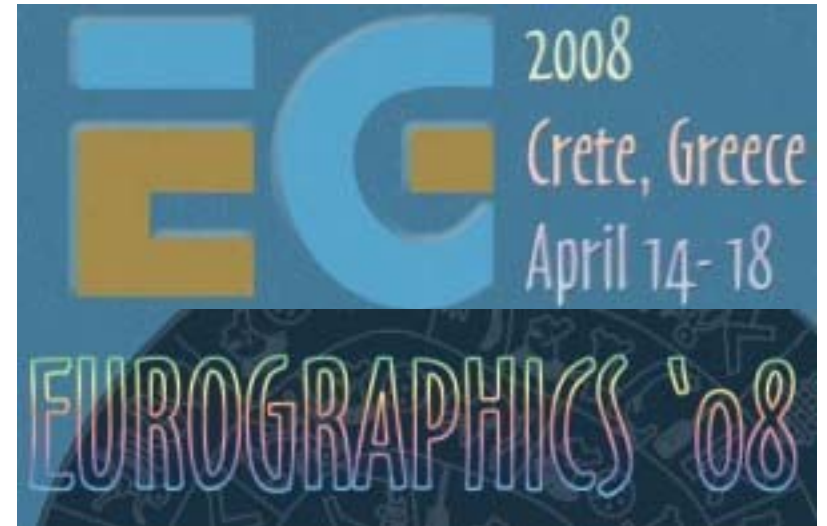
## Minimize the number of shader changes

Shaders contain a lot of state

May require the pipeline to be flushed

Use uniforms to change behaviour in preference to loading a new shader.





# ES vs. Desktop

# GLSL ES vs. GLSL desktop

- Based on GLSL as used in OpenGL 2.0

  - Open standard

- Pure programmable model

  - Most fixed functionality removed.

- Not 100% backward compatible with ES1.x

  - Embedded systems do not have the legacy requirements of the desktop

- No Software Fallback

  - Implementations (usually) hardware or nothing

  - Running graphics routines in software doesn't make sense on embedded platforms

- Optimized for use in Embedded devices

  - Aim is to reduce silicon cost

  - Reduced shader program sizes

  - Reduced register usage

  - Reduced numeric precision

# Mobile Architecture

CPU, graphics on the same chip.

Unified memory architecture

Cache for CPU

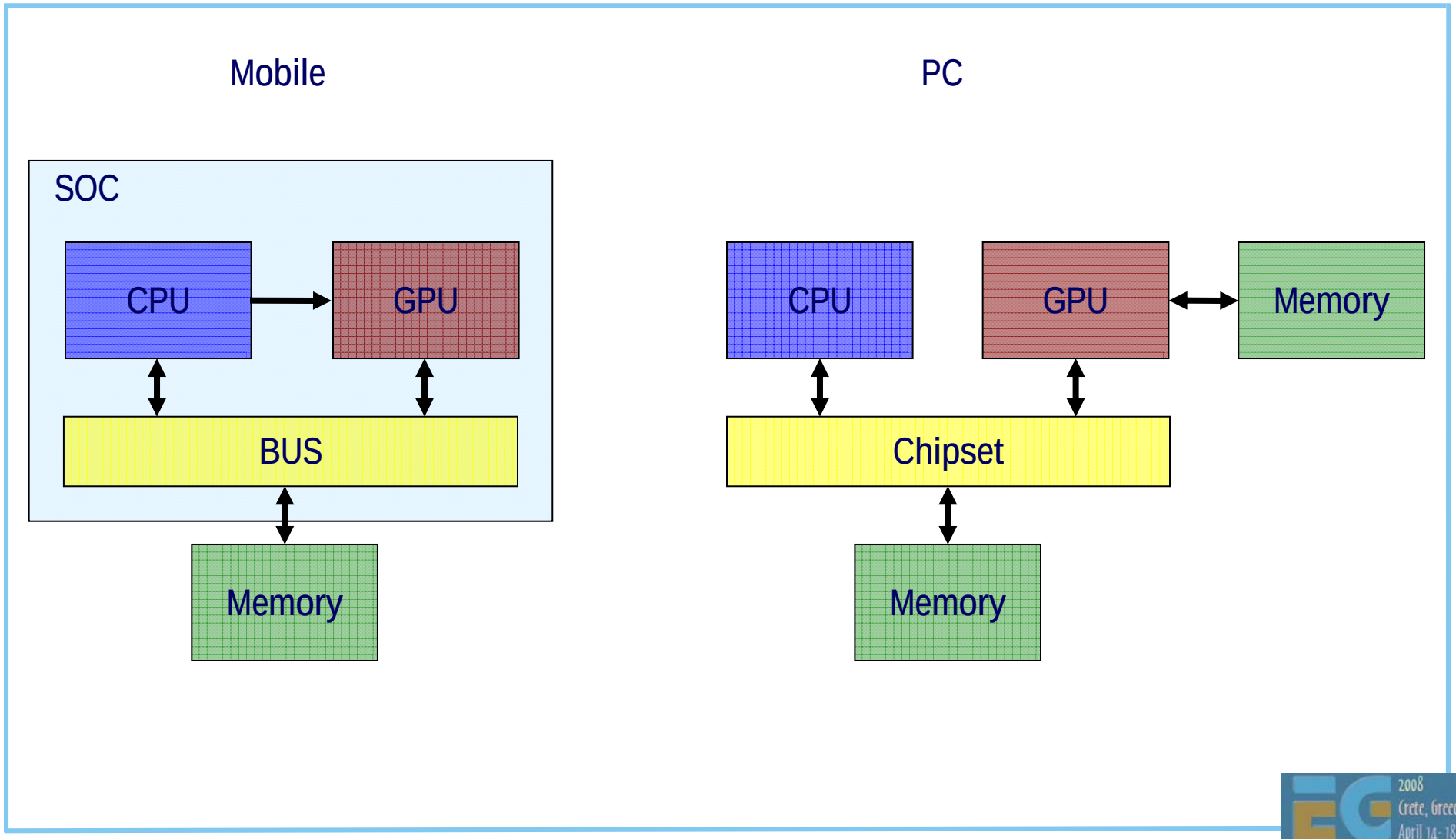
Only limited cache for graphics device

No internal framebuffer

No internal z buffer

Limited texture cache

# Mobile vs. PC Architecture



# Mobile Architecture – What this means

## Limited memory bandwidth

- Hardware number crunching is relatively cheap

- Moving data around is the main problem

- Frame buffer access (or geometry buffer access for tiled architectures) is a heavy user

- Texture bandwidth is an issue

## CPU cannot perform floating point

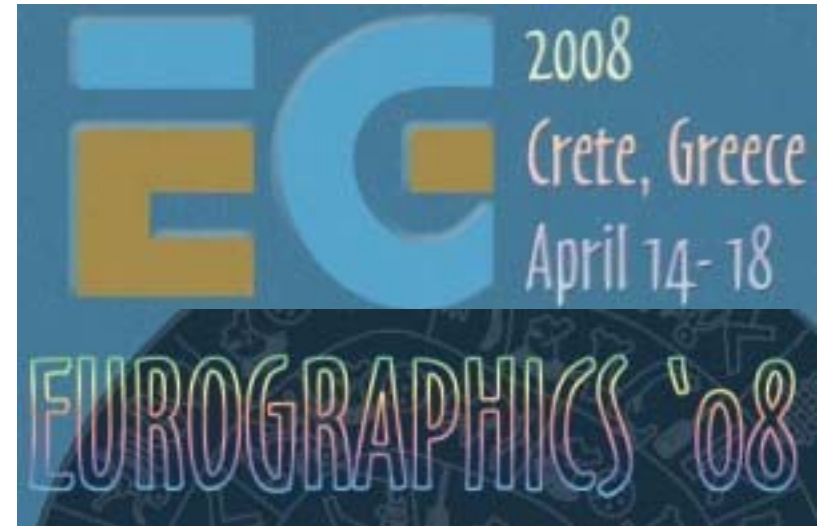
- Rather different from the PC world

- Means more rapid move to hardware vertex shaders

## Any advantages?

- Lower resolution means less data to move around

- Easier to access frame/depth buffer because of unified memory



# Performance Tips

# Tips for Improving Performance

Golden rules:

Don't do things you don't need to do

Let the hardware do as much as possible

Don't interrupt the pipeline

Minimize data transfer to and from the GPU

# Don't do what you don't need to do

What frame rate do you actually need?

Achieving 100fps on a PC may be a good thing

LCD displays have slower response

Eats power.

Not using depth testing? Turn off the z buffer

Saves at least one read per pixel

Not using alpha blending? Turn it off.

Saves reading the colour buffer.

Not using textures? Don't send texture coordinates to the GPU

Reduces geometry bandwidth



# Let the hardware do it

Hardware is very good at doing computation

- Transform and lighting is fast

- Will become even more useful with vertex shaders

- Texture blending is 'free'. Don't use multi-pass.

- Anti-aliasing is very cheap.

- Hardware is good when streaming data

  - But works best when data is aligned with memory

  - Most efficient when large blocks are transferred

- BUT:** Memory bandwidth is still in short supply

# Minimize Data Transfer

## Use Vertex Buffers

Driver can optimize storage (alignment, format)

## Reduce Vertex Size

Use byte coordinates e.g. for normals

## Reduce size of textures

Textures cached but limited on-chip memory

Use mip-mapping. Better quality and lower data transfer

Use texture compression where available.

# Memory Alignment

Always best to align data

Alignment to bus width very important

Alignment to DRAM pages gives some benefit

Embedded devices have different types of memory

Bus width may be 32 bit, 64 bit or 128 bit

Penalty for crossing a DRAM page (typically 1-4KB)

Can be several cycles.

# Batch Data

## Why?

Big overhead for interpreting the command and setting up a new transfer

Memory latency large

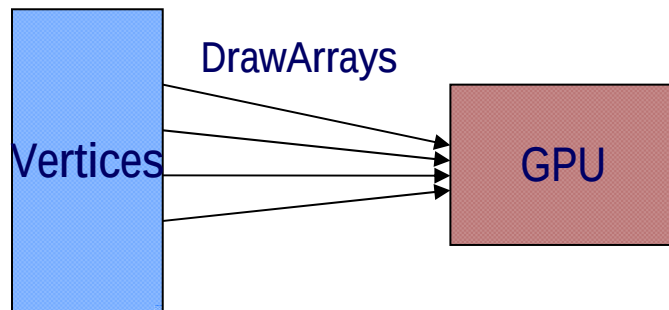
## How?

Combine geometry into large arrays.

Use Vertex Buffer Objects

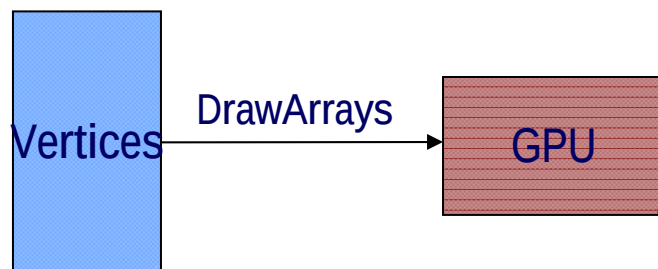
# Batch Data

Don't:



Multiple API calls  
Lots of overhead  
Slow

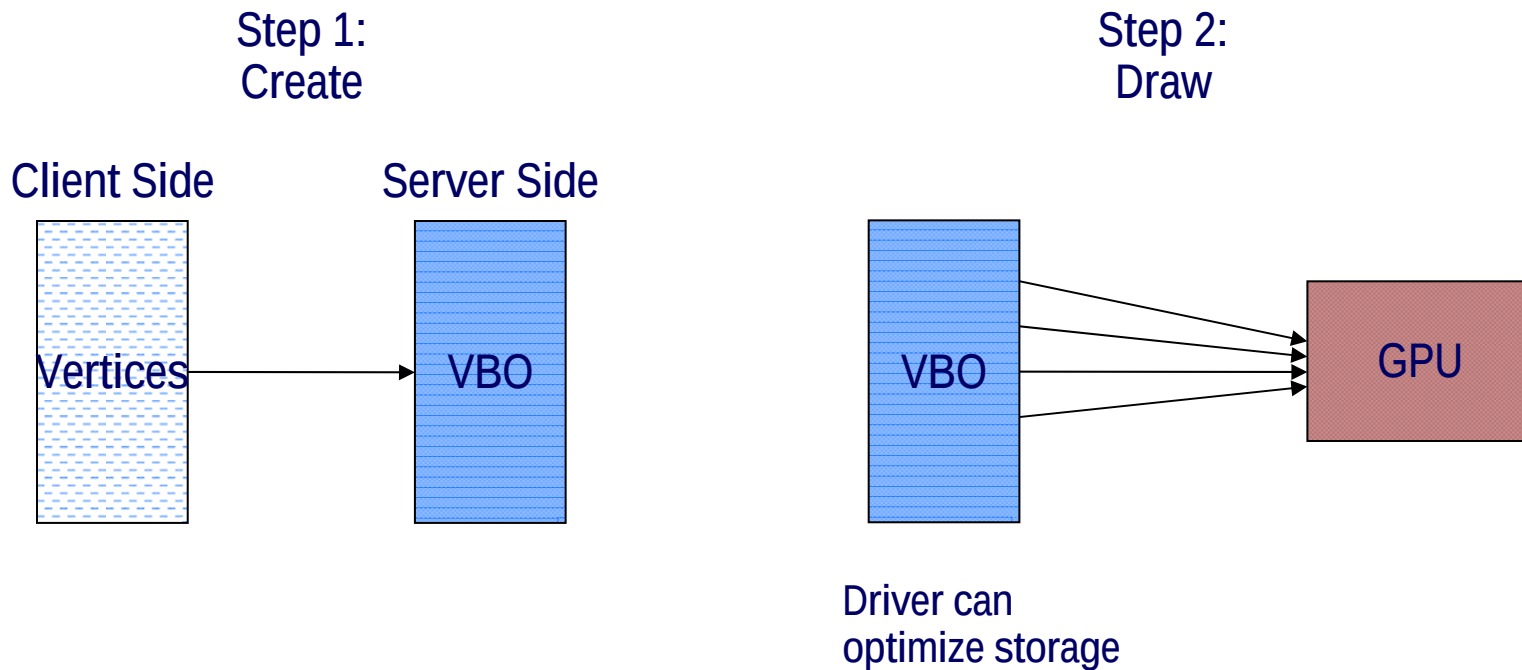
Do:



Fewer API calls  
Less overhead  
Much faster

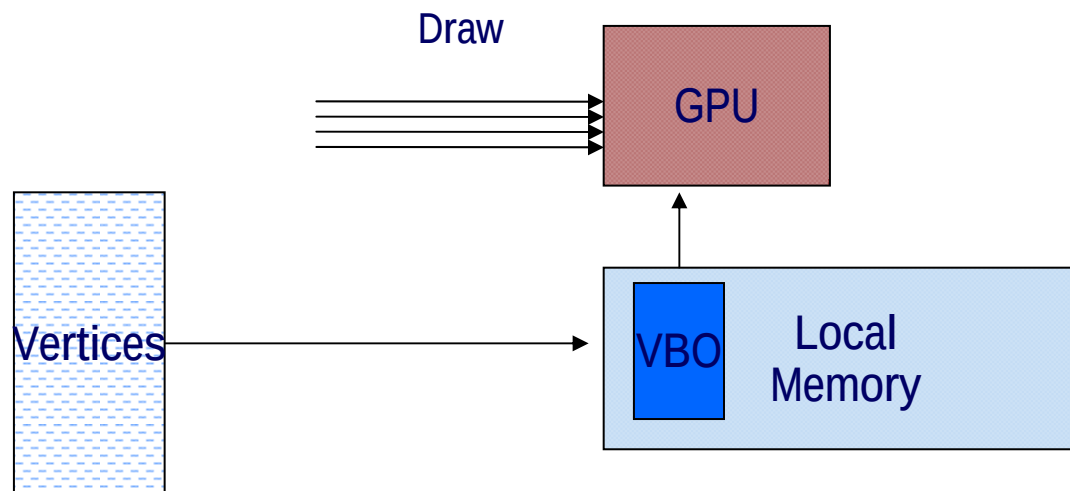
# Vertex Buffer Objects

Even better:



# Vertex Buffer Objects

Ultimately:



# Don't interrupt the pipeline

GPUs are streaming architectures.

They have high bandwidth but also long latencies.

Minimize state changes.

Set up state and then render as much as possible.

E.g. Don't mix 2d and 3d operations

Don't lock buffers unnecessarily

OK at end of scene

Don't use GetState unnecessarily

Main usage is for 3<sup>rd</sup> party libraries. App should know what the state is.

All these can cause interruptions to data streaming.

May even cause the entire pipeline to be flushed.



# More on State Changes

Major changes of state will always be expensive

- Changing textures (consider using a texture atlas)

- Texture environment modes

- Light types (e.g. turning on specular)

Some are quite cheap

- Turning individual lights on and off

- Enabling/disabling depth buffer

**BUT**

- Varies with the hardware (and driver) implementation

# Be nice to the Vertex Cache

Hardware typically holds 8-32 vertices.

- Smaller than in software implementations

- Likely to vary between implementations

- Possible to trade no. of vertices against vertex size in some implementations

Hardware cannot detect when two vertices are the same.

To make efficient use of the cache use:

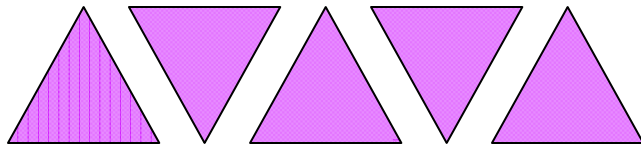
- Vertex Strips

- Vertex fans

- Indexed triangles

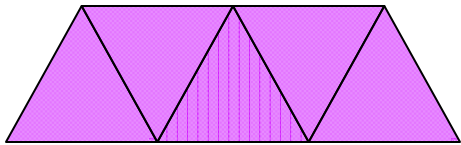
# Vertex Cache

Individual triangles: 3 vertices/triangle

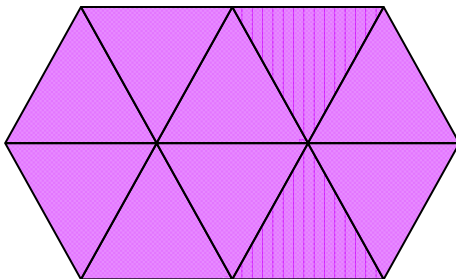


Vertex Strip:

1 vertex triangle (ideal case)



Indexed triangles: 0.5 vertices/triangle (ideal case)



# Depth Complexity

Drawing hidden triangles is expensive.

Costs:

- Transferring the geometry

- Transform & lighting

- Fetching texels for hidden pixels

- Reading and writing the colour and depth buffer

- Storing and reading the geometry (tiled or delay stream architectures)

Deferred rendering is not a magic solution

- Can even make matters worse in some situations

# Depth Complexity - solutions

Render scene front to back

- Eliminates many writes to colour and depth buffer

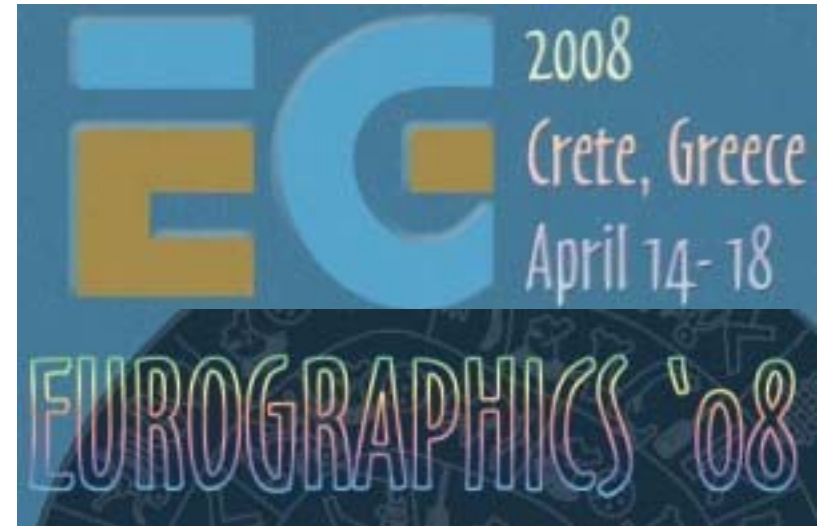
- Can reduce texture fetches (early z kill)

Use standard occlusion culling techniques

- View frustum culling (don't draw objects that are out of view)

- DPVS

- Portals



# Future Trends

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More local caches for graphics hardware

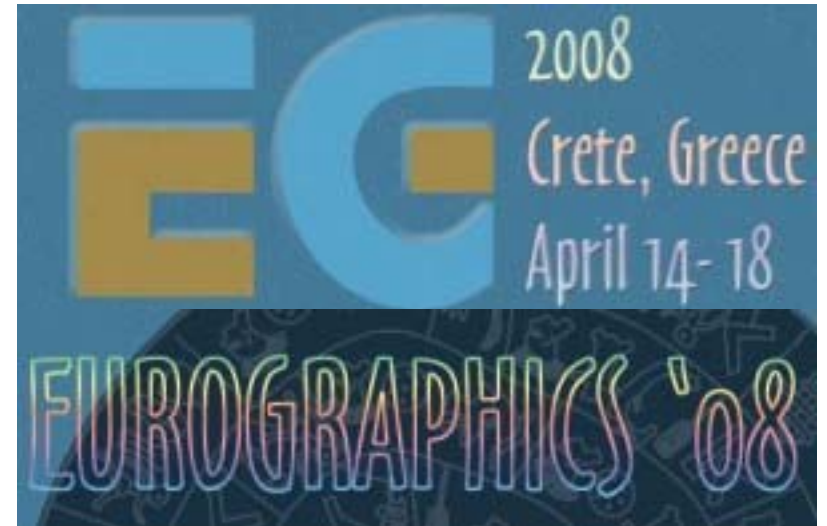
Display resolution increasing

More pixel pipelines

Better power management

Integration of other functionality

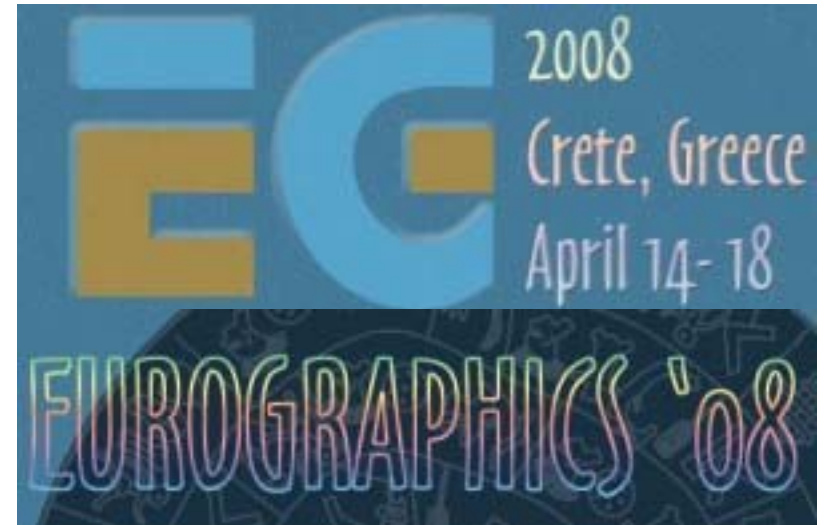
Video



# Questions?



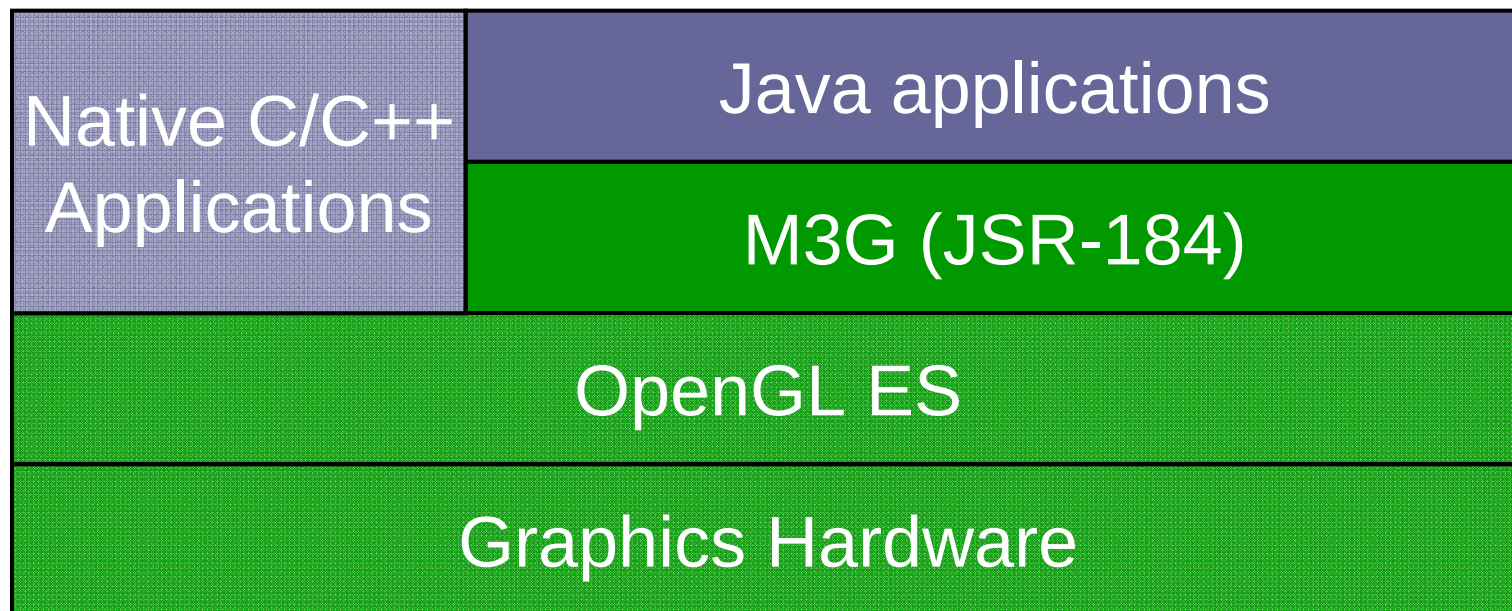
# M3G Intro



Kari Pulli

Nokia Research Center

# Mobile 3D Graphics APIs



# Why Should You Use Java?

Largest and fastest growing installed base

1600M phones running Java by end of 2007

814M in 2007 alone

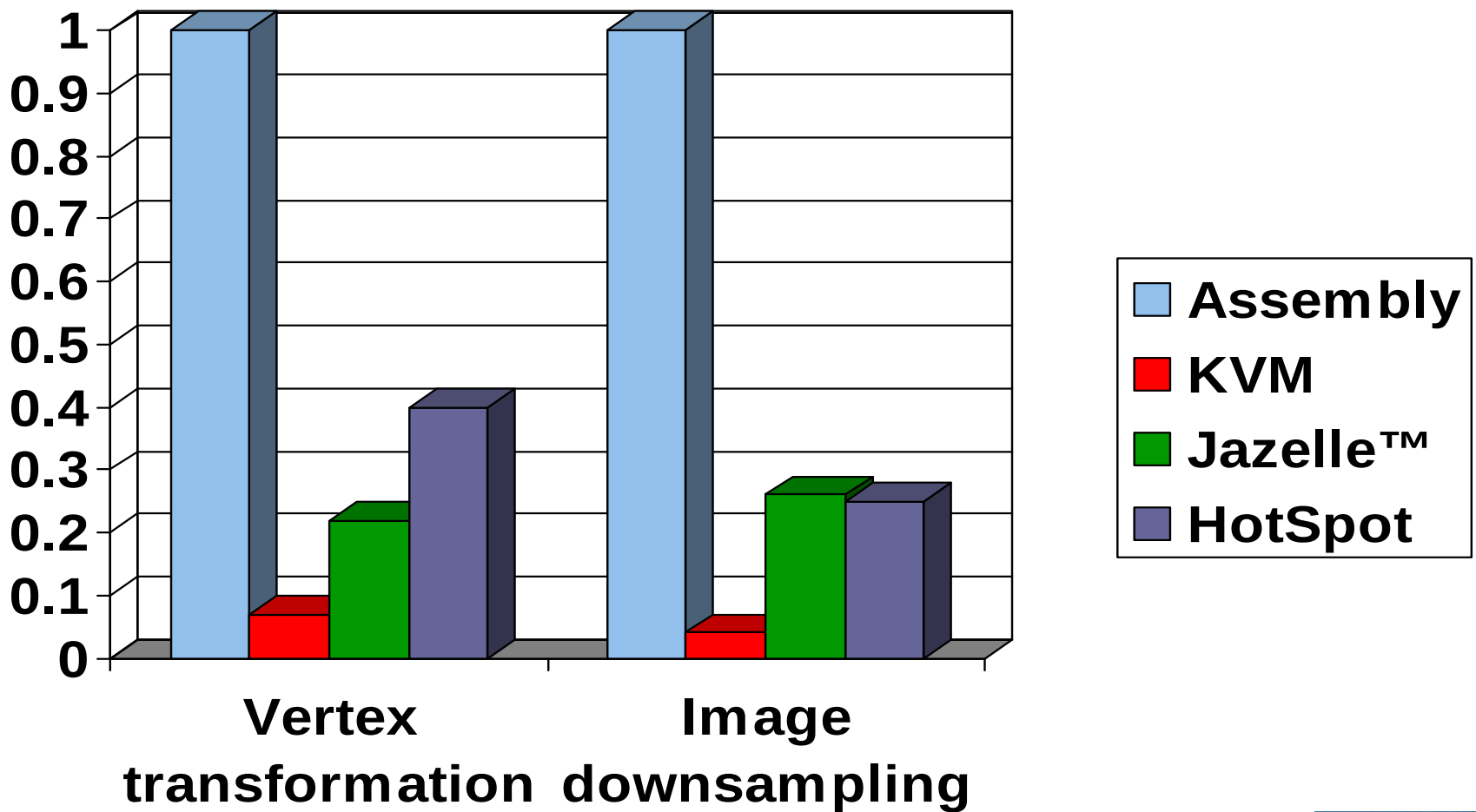
The majority of phones sold today support Java

Better productivity compared to C/C++

Much fewer opportunities to introduce bugs

Comprehensive, standardized class libraries

# Java Will Remain Slower



Benchmarked on an ARM926EJ-S processor with hand-optimized Java and assembly code

# M3G Design Principles

**#1**

**No Java code along critical paths**

Move all graphics processing to native code

Not only rasterization and transformations

Also morphing, skinning, and keyframe animation

All data on native side to avoid Java-native traffic

# M3G Design Principles

#2

**Cater for both software and hardware**

Do not mandate hardware-only features

Such as per-pixel mipmapping or per-pixel fog

Do not try to expand the OpenGL pipeline

Such as with hardcoded transparency shaders

# M3G Design Principles

**#3**

**Maximize developer productivity**

Address content creation and tool chain issues

Export art assets into a compressed file (.m3g)

Load and manipulate the content at run time

Need scene graph and animation support for that

Minimize the amount of “boilerplate code”

# M3G Design Principles

**#4**

**Minimize engine complexity**

**#5**

**Minimize fragmentation**

**#6**

**Plan for future expansion**



# Why a New Standard?

## OpenGL ES is too low-level

- Lots of Java code and function calls needed

- Data passed frequently from Java -> native -> driver

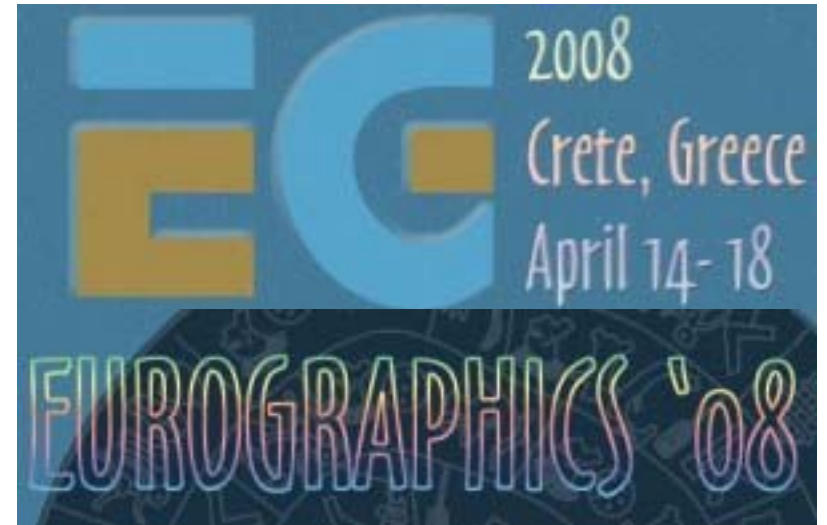
- No support for animation and scene management

## Java 3D is too bloated

- A hundred times larger (!) than M3G

- Still lacks a file format, skinning, etc.

# M3G API Overview



Tomi Aarnio

Nokia Research Center

# Objectives

Get an idea of the API structure and features

Learn practical tricks not found in the spec

# Prerequisites

Fundamentals of 3D graphics

Some knowledge of OpenGL ES

Some knowledge of scene graphs

# M3G API Overview

## Getting started

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Scene graph

Performance tips

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# Programming Model

M3G is not an “extensible scene graph”

Rather a black box – much like OpenGL

No interfaces, events, or render callbacks

No threads; all methods return only when done

# Programming Model

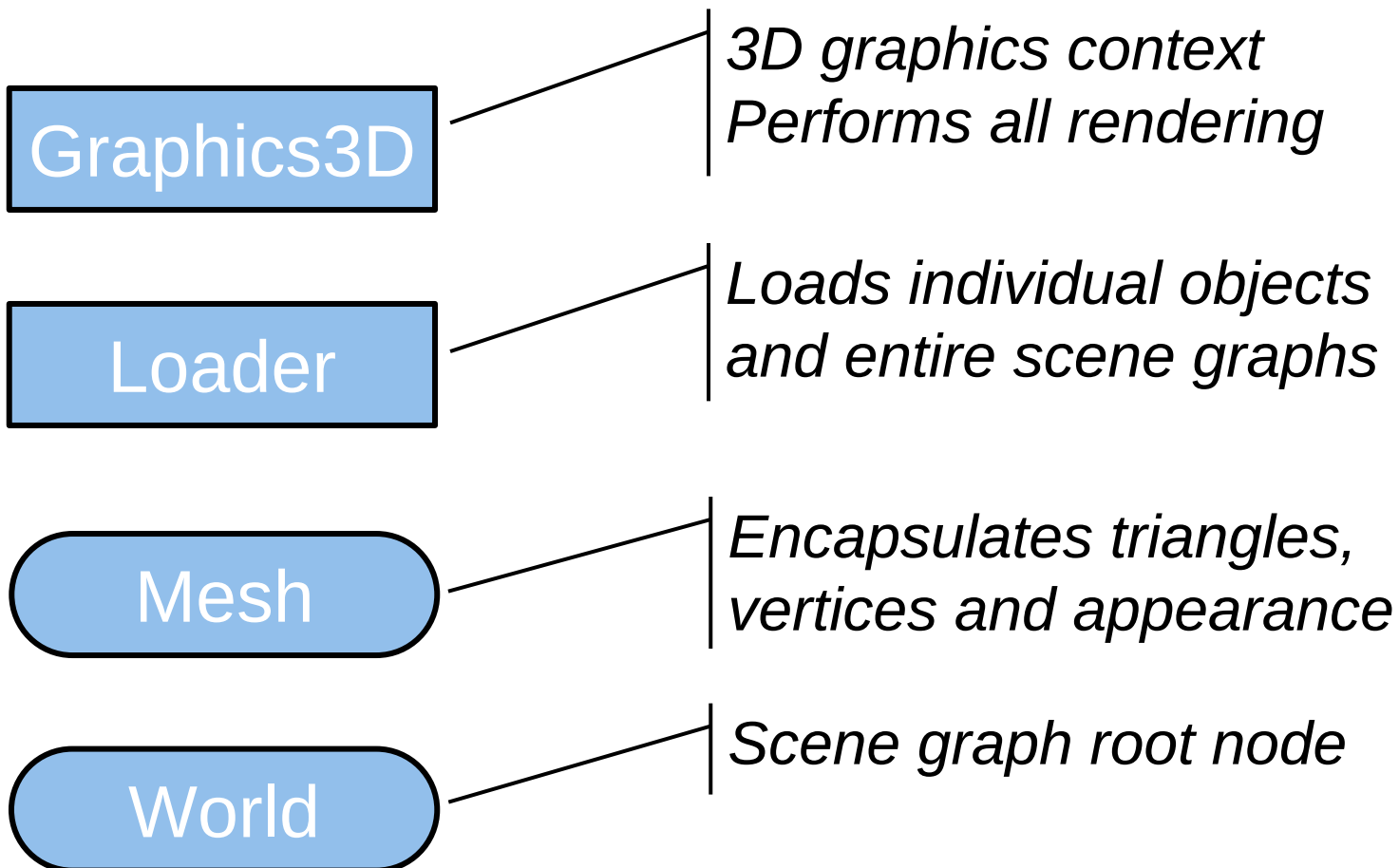
Scene update is decoupled from rendering

**render** → Draw the scene, no side-effects

**animate** → Update the scene to the given time

**align** → Re-orient target cameras, billboards

# Key Classes





# Graphics3D: How to Use

Bind a target to it, render, release the target

```
void paint(Graphics g) {
 myGraphics3D.bindTarget(g);
 myGraphics3D.render(world);
 myGraphics3D.releaseTarget();
}
```

# Rendering State

Graphics3D contains global state

Frame buffer, depth buffer

Viewport, depth range

Most rendering state is in the scene graph

Vertex buffers, textures, matrices, materials, ...

Packaged into Java objects, referenced by meshes

Minimizes Java-native data traffic, enables caching

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# Renderable Objects

Sprite3D

*2D image placed in 3D space*  
*Always facing the camera*

Mesh

*Made of triangles*  
*Base class for meshes*

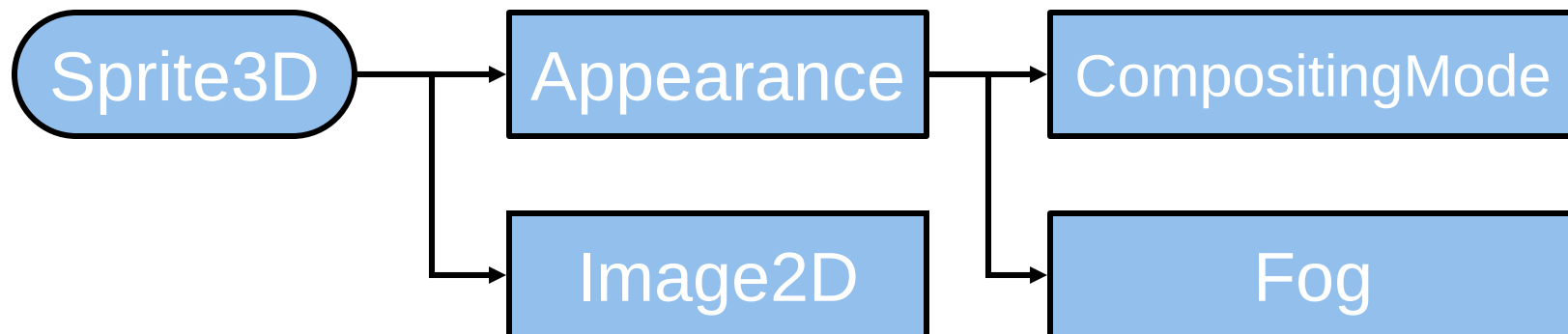
# Sprite3D

2D image with a position in 3D space

Scaled mode for billboards, trees, etc.

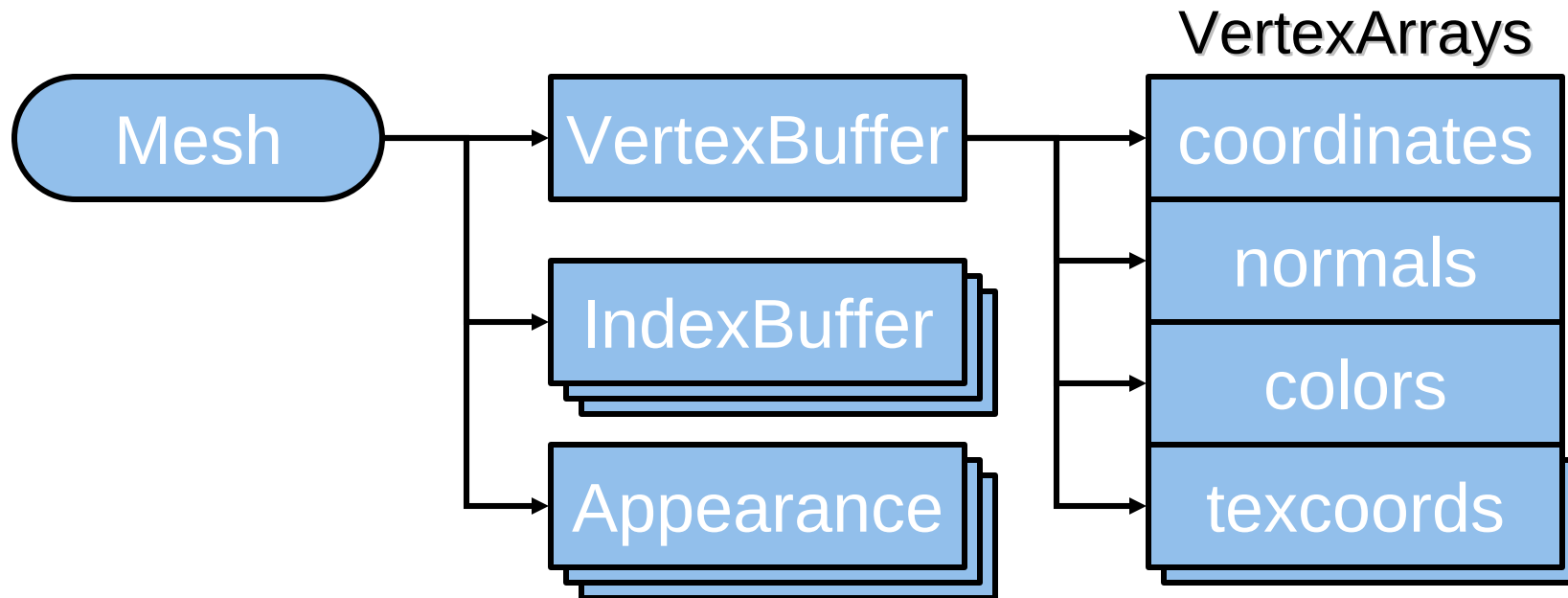
Unscaled mode for text labels, icons, etc.

Too much overhead for particle effects



# Mesh

One VertexBuffer, containing VertexArrays  
1.. $N$  submeshes (IndexBuffer + Appearance)



# IndexBuffer Types

|               | Byte | Short | Implicit | Strip | Fan | List |
|---------------|------|-------|----------|-------|-----|------|
| Triangles     | ✓    | ✓     | ✓        | ✓     | ✗   | ✗    |
| Lines         | ✗    | ✗     | ✗        | ✗     | ✗   | ✗    |
| Points        | ✗    | ✗     | ✗        |       |     | ✗    |
| Point sprites | ✗    | ✗     | ✗        |       |     | ✗    |

Relative to OpenGL ES 1.1

# VertexBuffer Types

|            | Byte | Short | Fixed | Float | 2D | 3D | 4D |
|------------|------|-------|-------|-------|----|----|----|
| Vertices   | ✓    | ✓     | ✗     | ✗     | ✗  | ✓  | ✗  |
| TexCoords  | ✓    | ✓     | ✗     | ✗     | ✓  | ✓  | ✗  |
| Normals    | ✓    | ✓     | ✗     | ✗     |    | ✓  |    |
| Colors     | ✓    |       | ✗     | ✗     |    | *  | ✓  |
| PointSizes |      |       | ✗     | ✗     |    |    |    |

\* M3G supports RGB color arrays, although OpenGL ES only supports RGBA



# Vertex and Index Buffer Objects

Vertices and indices are stored on server side

Similar to OpenGL Buffer Objects

Reduces data traffic from Java to native

Allows caching, bounding box computation, etc.

# Appearance Components

Material

*Material colors for lighting  
Can track per-vertex colors*

CompositingMode

*Blending, depth buffering  
Alpha testing, color masking*

PolygonMode

*Winding, culling, shading  
Perspective correction hint*

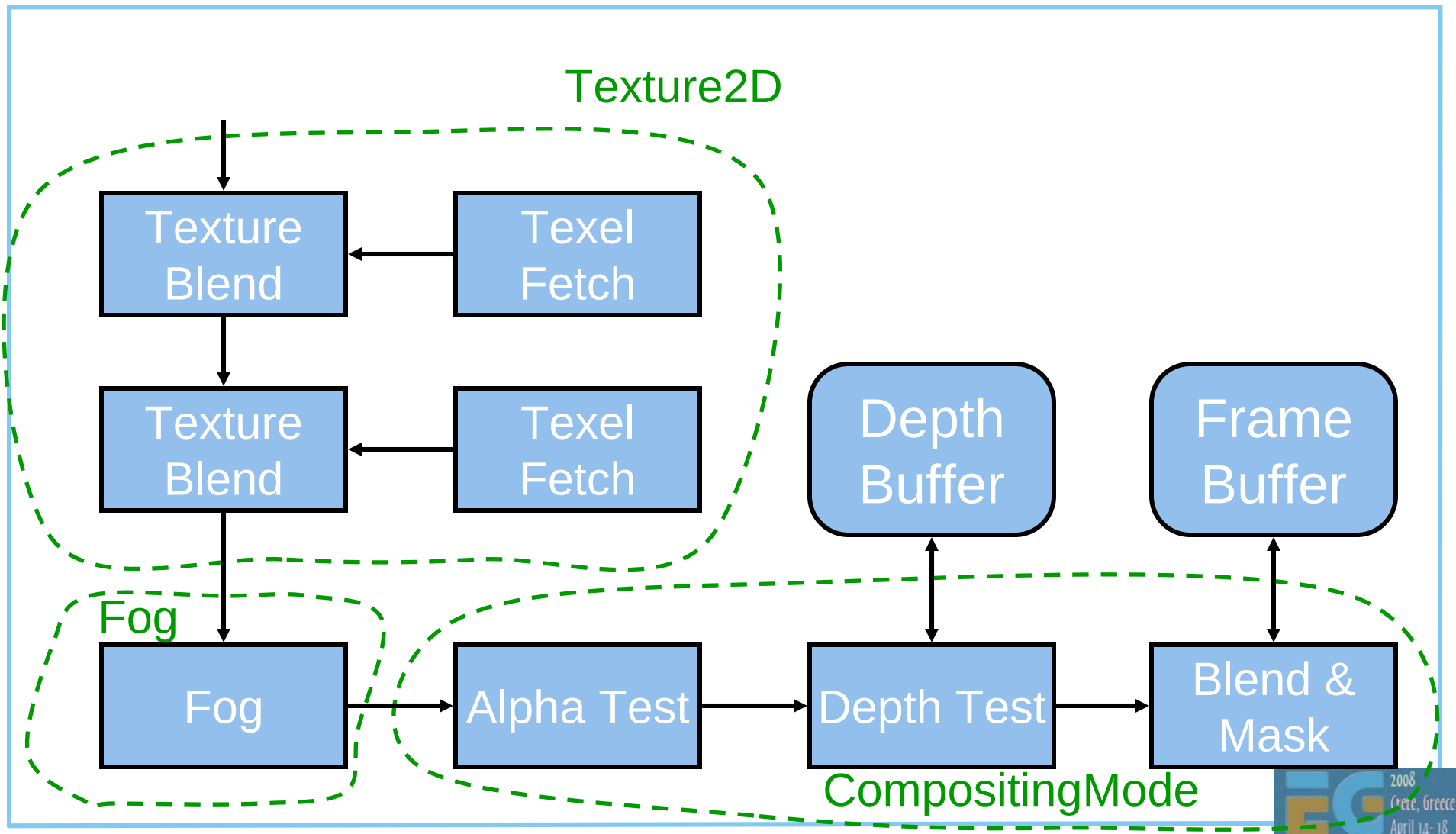
Fog

*Fades colors based on distance  
Linear and exponential mode*

Texture2D

*Texture matrix, blending, filtering  
One Texture2D for each unit*

# Fragment (Pixel) Pipeline



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**Scene graph**

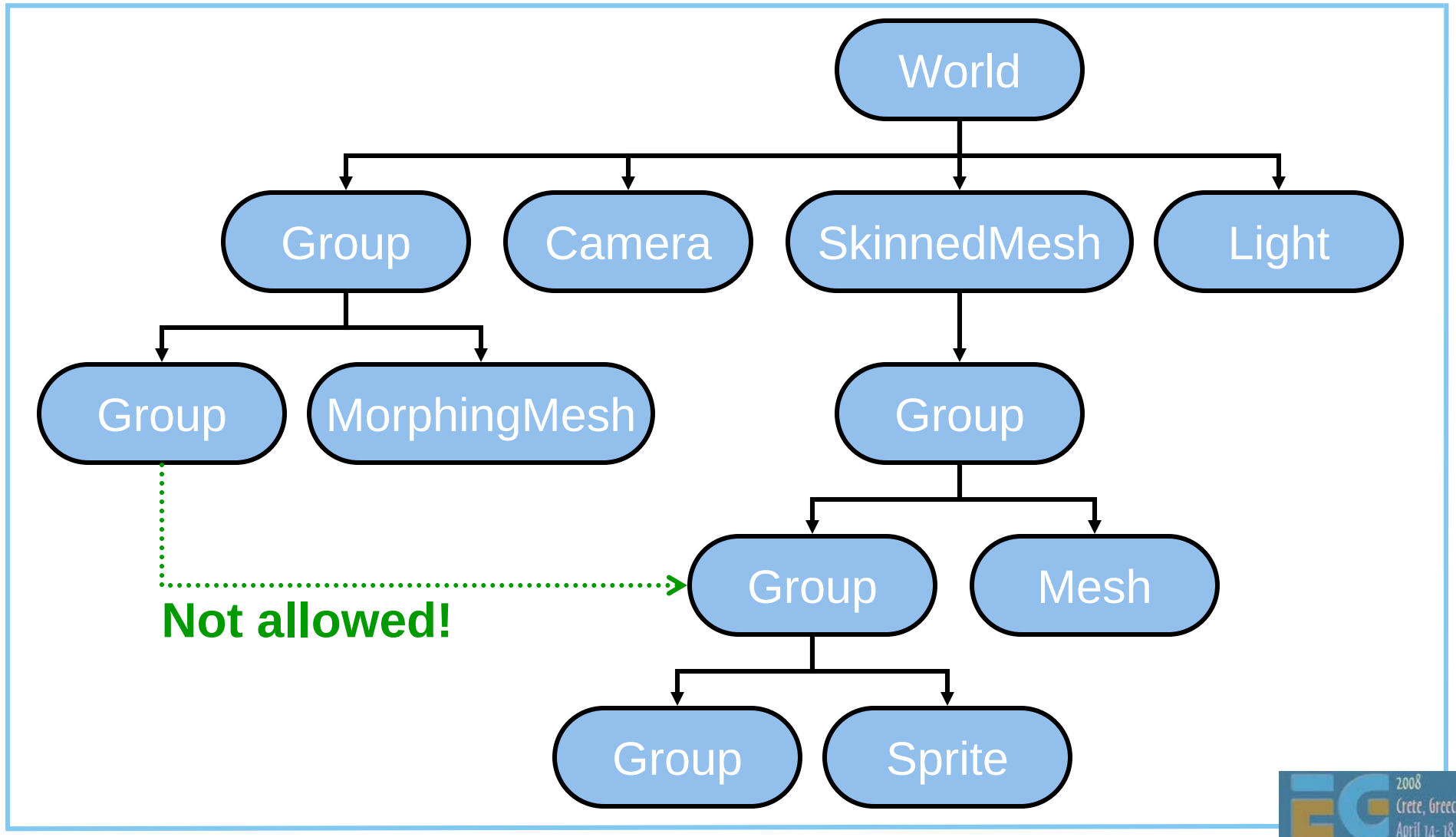
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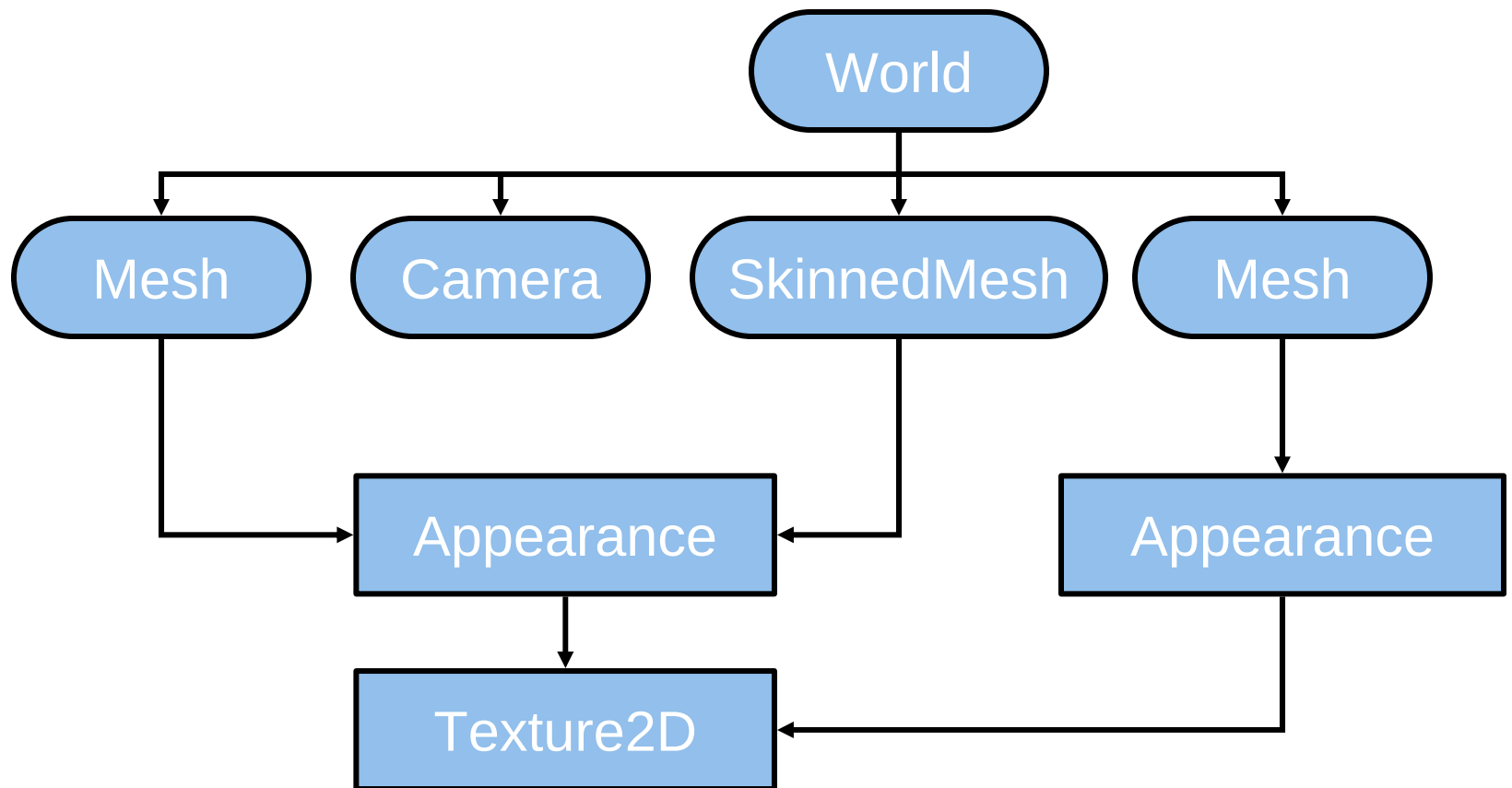
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# Scene Graph



# Shared Node Components



# Node Transformation

From this node to the parent node

Composed of four parts

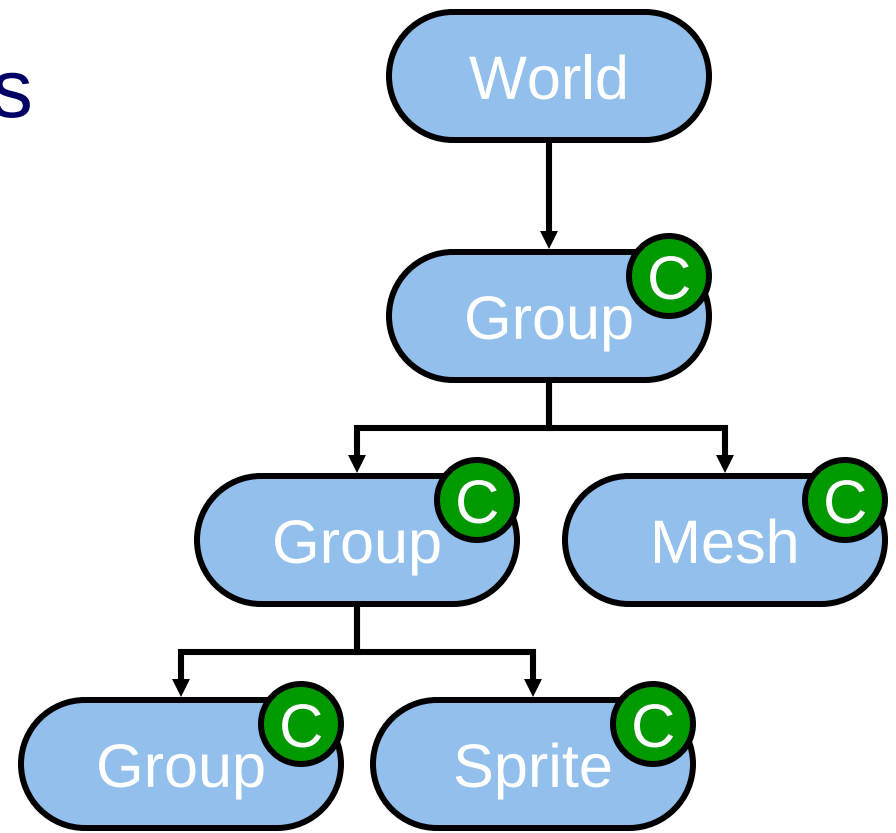
Translation T

Orientation R

Non-uniform scale S

Generic 3x4 matrix M

$$\mathbf{C} = \mathbf{T} \mathbf{R} \mathbf{S} \mathbf{M}$$



# Node Alignment

Reorients a node towards a target node

Recomputes the orientation component (R)

For target cameras & lights, billboards, etc.



# Other Node Features

## Inherited properties

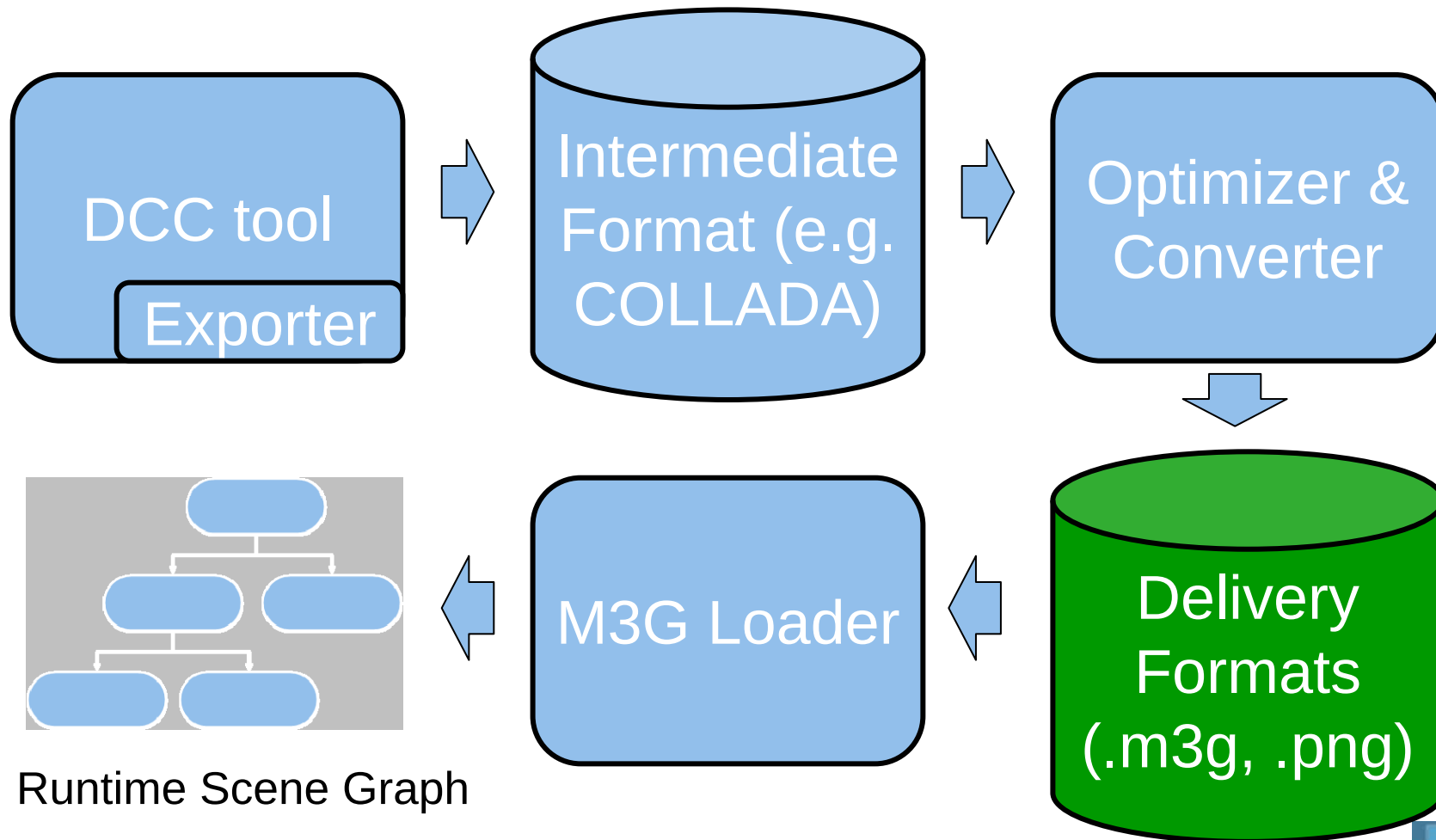
Alpha factor (for fading in/out)

Rendering enable (on/off)

Picking enable (on/off)

## Scope mask

# Content Production



# M3G File Format

Small size, easy to decode

Matches API features 1:1

Stores individual objects, entire scenes

ZLIB compression of selected sections

Can reference external files – e.g. textures

Highly portable – no extensions

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# Use the Retained Mode

Render a World instead of separate objects

- Minimizes Java code and method calls

- Allows view frustum culling, etc.

Put co-located objects into Groups

- Speeds up hierarchic view frustum culling

# Simplify Node Properties

## Transformations

Favor the **T R S** components over **M**

Avoid non-uniform scales in **S**

Use auto-alignment sparingly

Keep the alpha factor at 1.0

# Optimize Rendering Order

```
Appearance.setLayer(int layer)
```

Defines a global ordering for submeshes

Within each layer, opaque objects come first

## Use layers for...

Making sure that overlays are drawn first

Making sure that distant objects are drawn last

Multipass effects (e.g. for lighting)

# Optimize Texturing

Multitexturing is faster than multipass

Transformation and setup costs cut by half

Use mipmaps to save memory bandwidth

Tradeoff: 33% extra memory consumption

Combine small textures into a texture atlas



# Use Perspective Correction

Much faster than increasing triangle count

Nokia: 2% fixed overhead, 20% in the worst case

No overhead at all on hardware implementations

**Pitfall:** Quality varies by implementation

Refer to quality scores at [www.jbenchmark.com](http://www.jbenchmark.com)

# Reduce Object Count

Per-Mesh processing overhead is high

Per-submesh overhead is also fairly high

## Merge

Meshes that are close to each other

submeshes that have a common Appearance

# Avoid Dynamic Geometry

`VertexArray.set(...)` can be slow

Java array contents must be copied in

May also trigger bounding box updates, etc.

Replace with morphing or skinning where possible

IndexBuffers have no `set(...)` method at all

new `IndexBuffer(...)` per frame is not a good idea

Switch between predefined IndexBuffers instead

# Beware of Exporters

Exported content is often suboptimal

Lighting enabled, but overwritten by texture

Lighting disabled, normal vectors still included

Alpha blending enabled, but alpha always 1.0

16-bit vertices when 8 bits would be enough

Perspective correction always enabled

...

**Always review the exported scene tree!**

# Hardware vs. Software

## Shading state

SW: Minimize per-pixel operations

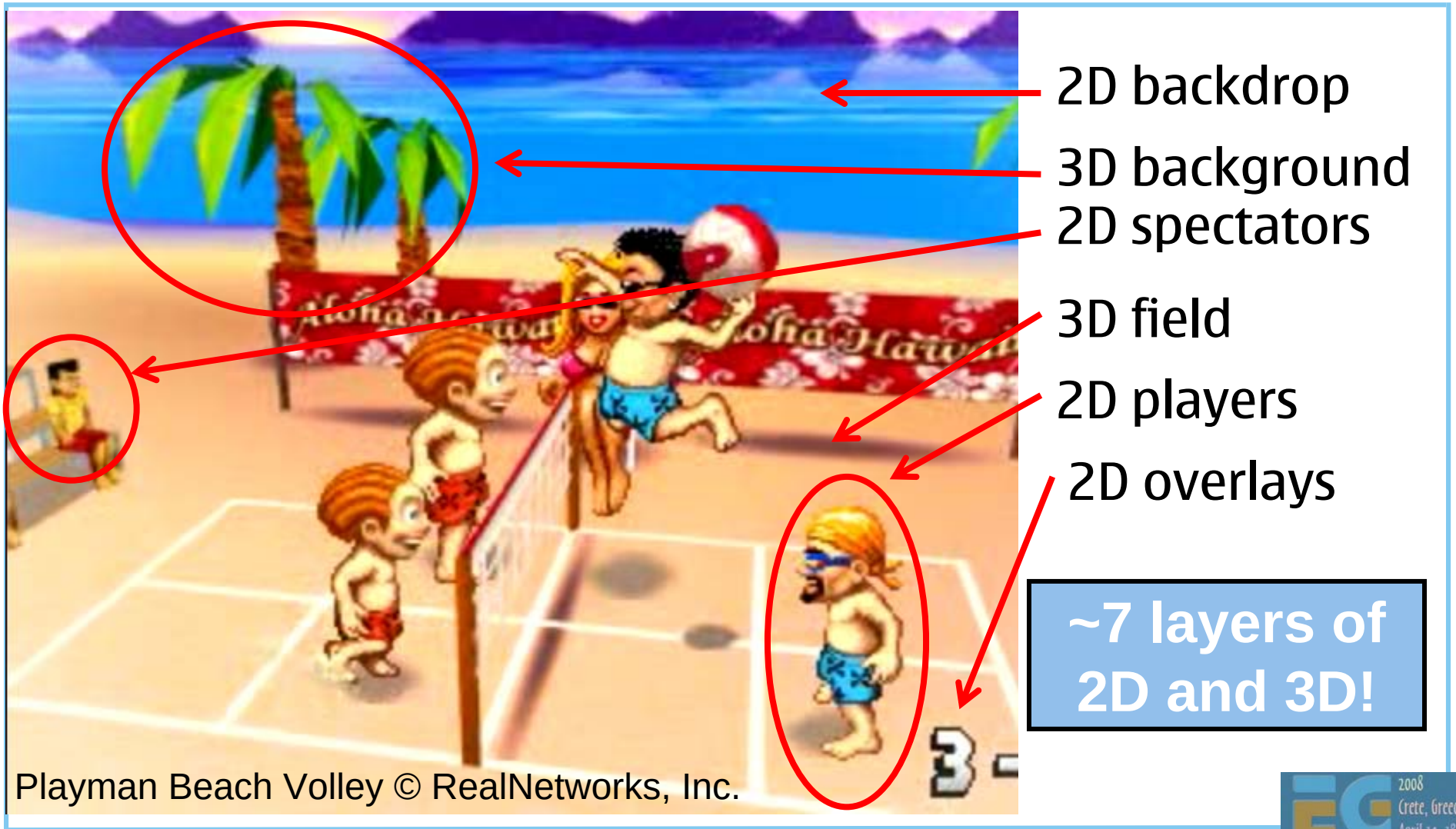
HW: Minimize shading state changes

## Mixing 2D and 3D rendering

SW: No performance penalty

HW: Substantial penalty (up to 3x)

# Layering 2D and 3D



# Use Picking with Caution

`myWorld.pick(...)` can be very slow

Restrict the pick ray to

- meshes in a specific Group

- meshes with a specific scope mask

Use simplified geometry for picking

- `setPickingEnable(true)`

- `setRenderingEnable(false)`

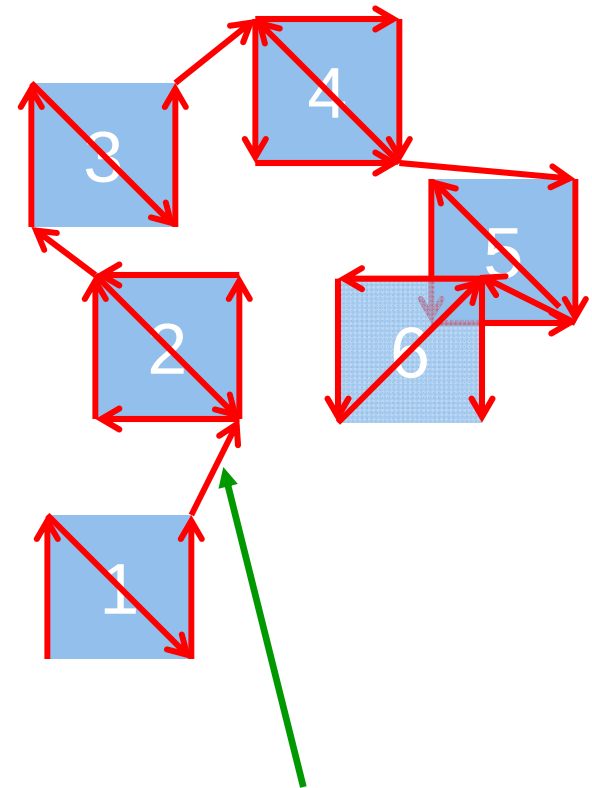
# Particle Effects

Point sprites – not available  
Sprite3D – much too slow

Put all particles in one Mesh

One particle == two triangles

Animate by `VertexArray.set(...)`



Particles glued  
into a tri-strip



# Easy Terrain Rendering

Split the terrain into tiles (Meshes)

Put the meshes into a scene graph

The engine will do view frustum culling

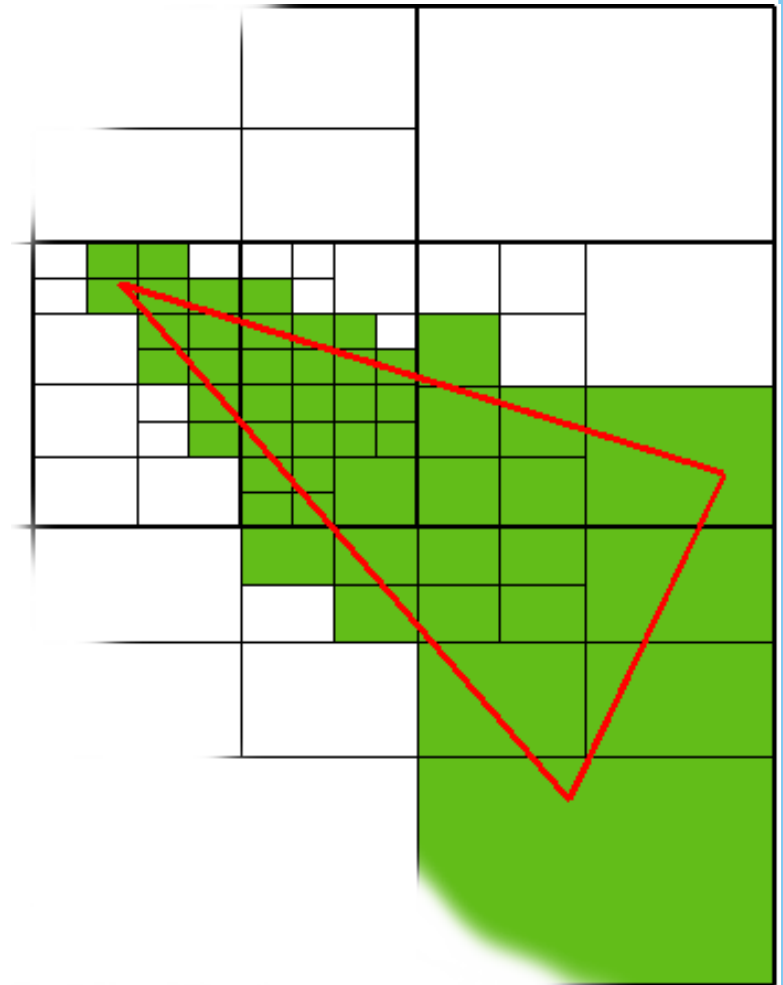
# Terrain Rendering with LOD

Preprocess into a quadtree

leaf node == Mesh

inner node == Group

Use `setRenderingEnable`  
based on the view frustum



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# Deforming Meshes

MorphingMesh

*Vertex morphing mesh*

SkinnedMesh

*Skeletally animated mesh*

# MorphingMesh

Traditional vertex morphing animation

Can morph any vertex attribute(s)

A base mesh **B** and any number of morph targets **T<sub>i</sub>**

Result = weighted sum of morph deltas

$$\mathbf{R} = \mathbf{B} + \sum_i w_i (\mathbf{T}_i - \mathbf{B})$$

Change the weights **w<sub>i</sub>** to animate

# MorphingMesh



**Base**



**Target 1  
eyes closed**



**Target 2  
mouth closed**



**Animate eyes  
and mouth  
independently**

# SkinnedMesh

Articulated characters without cracks at joints

Stretch a mesh over a hierarchic “skeleton”

The skeleton consists of scene graph nodes

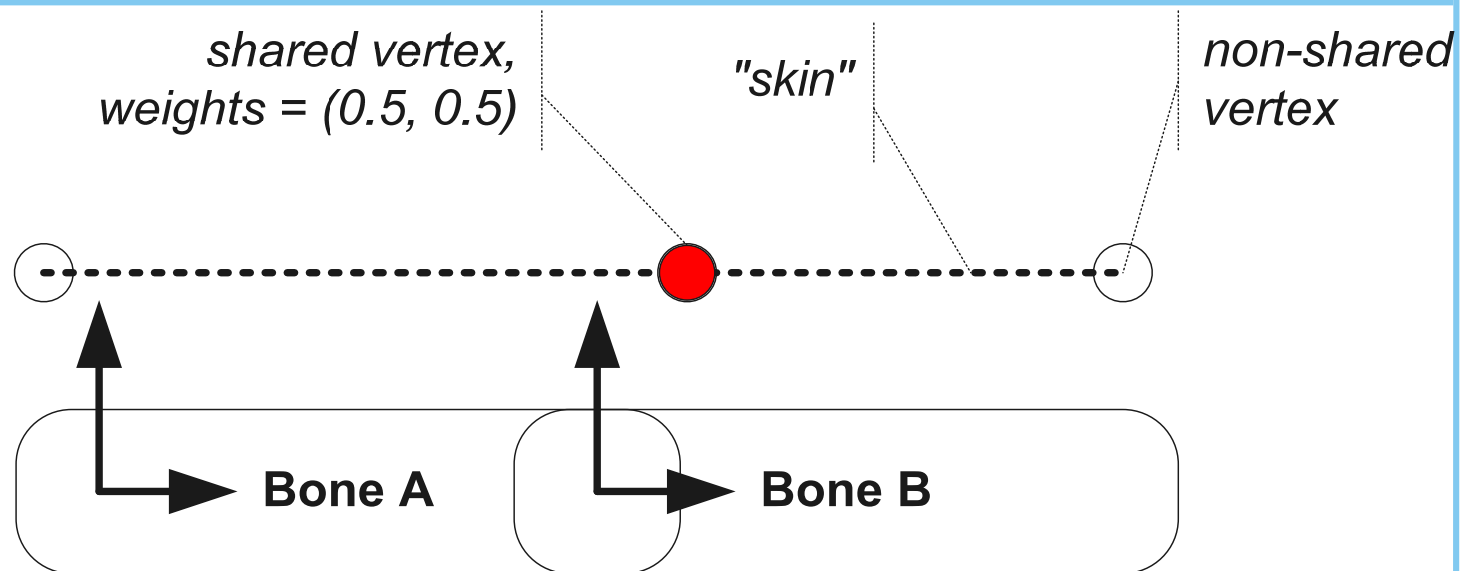
Each node (“bone”) defines a transformation

Each vertex is linked to one or more bones

$$v' = \sum_i w_i \mathbf{M}_i \mathbf{B}_i v$$

$\mathbf{M}_i$  are the node transforms –  $v, w, \mathbf{B}$  are constant

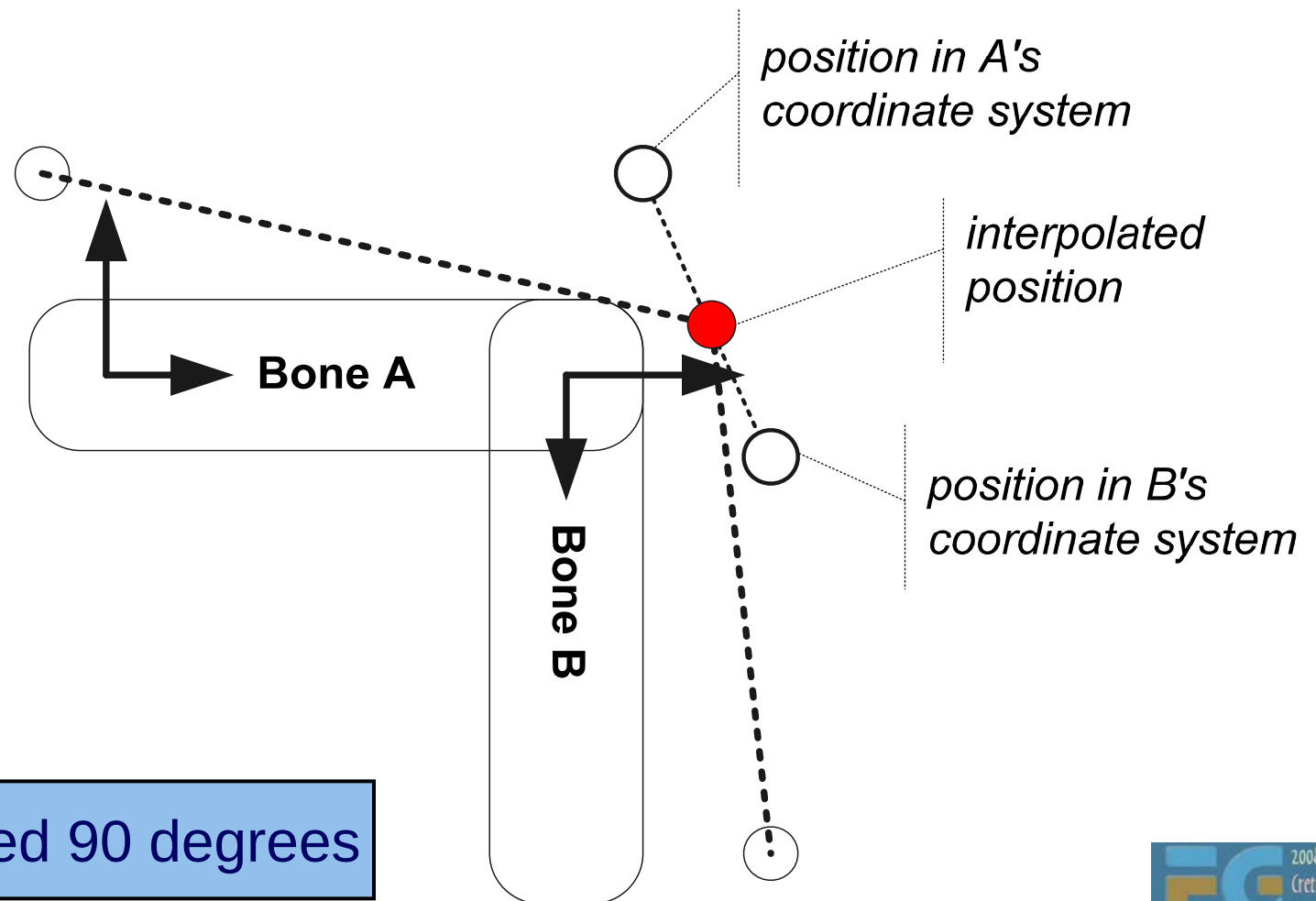
# SkinnedMesh



Neutral pose, bones at rest

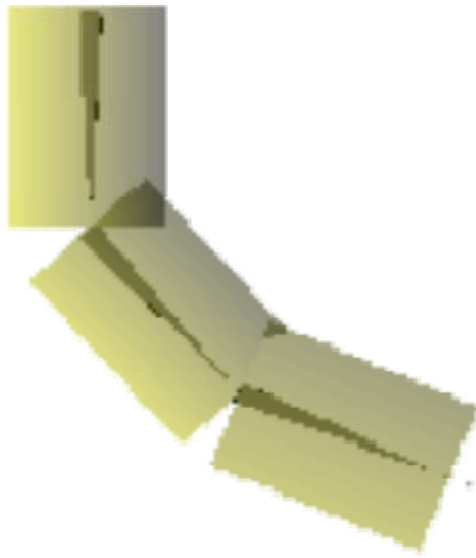


# SkinnedMesh

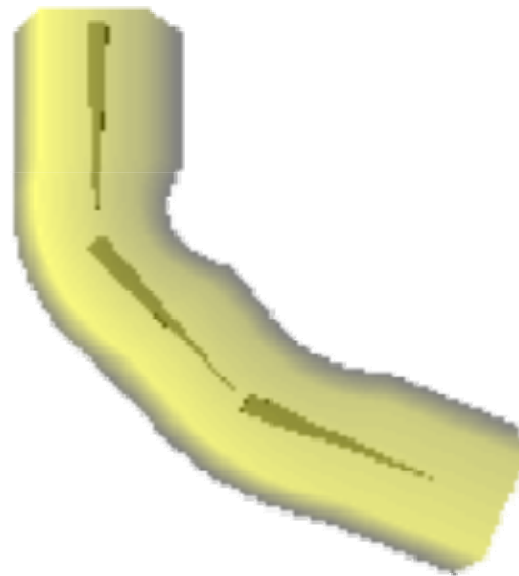


Bone B rotated 90 degrees

# SkinnedMesh



**Mesh**



**SkinnedMesh**

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# Animation Classes

KeyframeSequence

*Storage for keyframes  
Defines interpolation, looping*

AnimationController

*Controls the playback of  
one or more sequences*

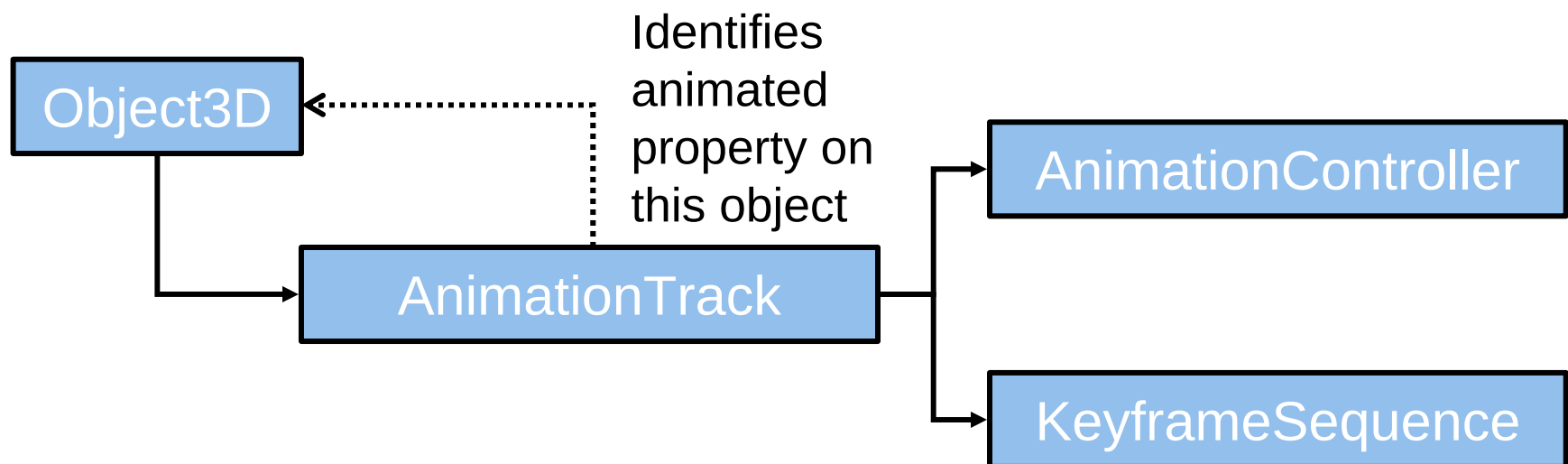
AnimationTrack

*A link between sequence,  
controller and target*

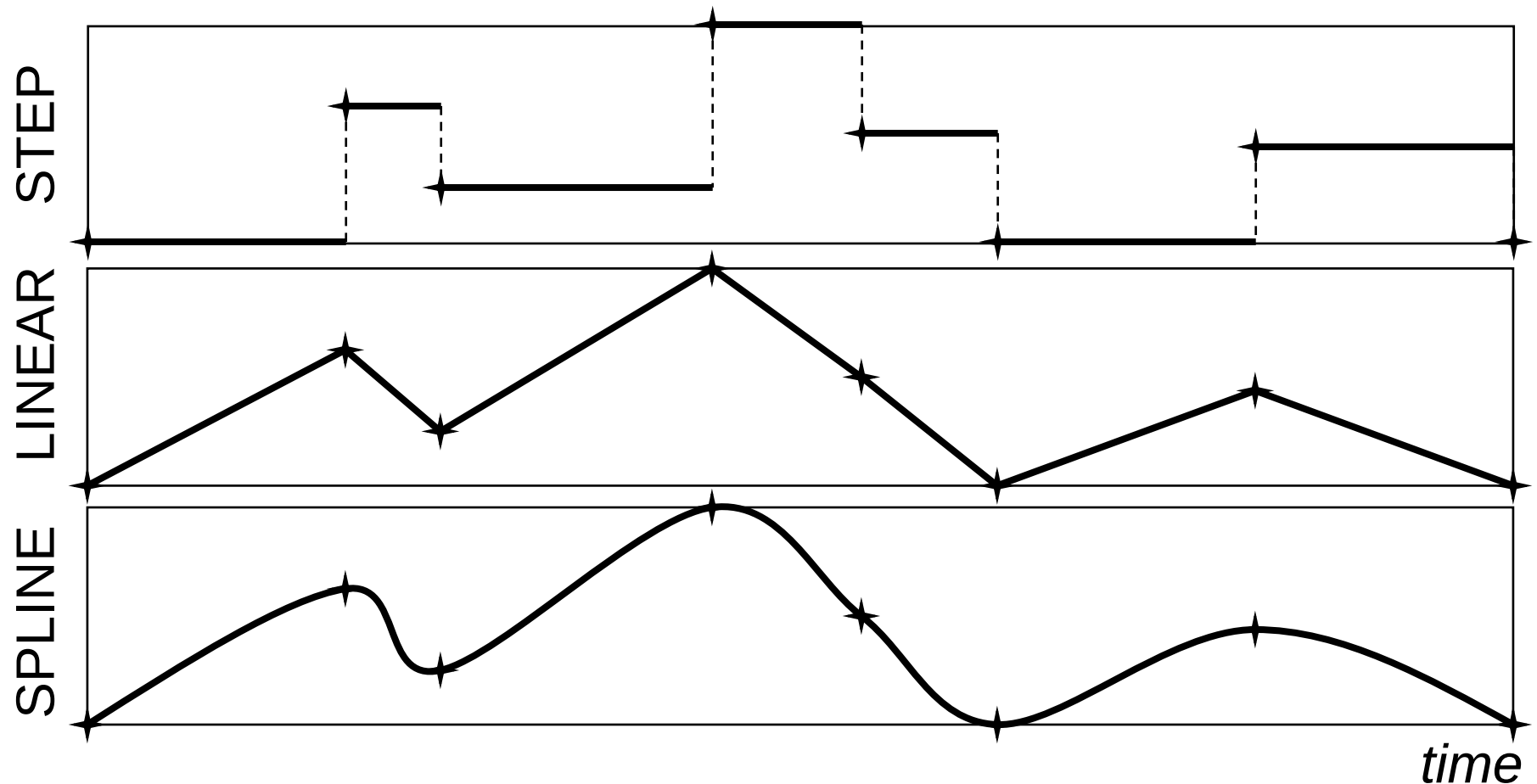
Object3D

*Base class for all objects  
that can be animated*

# Animation Classes



# KeyframeSequence: Interpolation Modes



...plus SLERP and SQUAD for quaternions

# AnimationController: Timing and Speed

Maps world time into sequence time

Can control any number of sequences

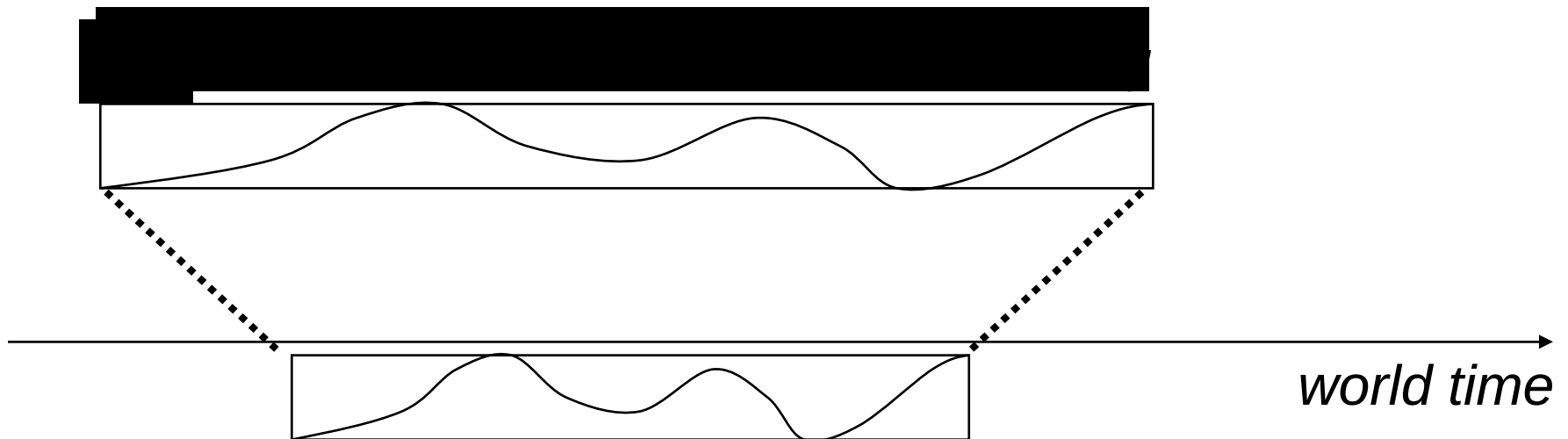


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# Animation

1. Call *animate(worldTime)*

Object3D

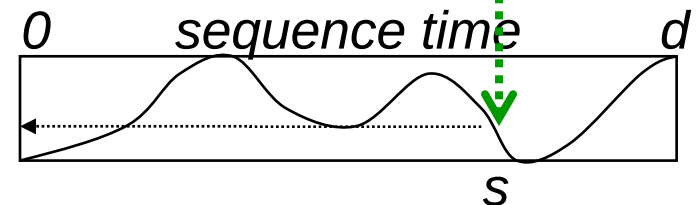
AnimationTrack

2. Calculate  
sequence time  
from world time

AnimationController

KeyframeSequence

4. Apply value to  
animated property



3. Look up value at  
this sequence time

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# Animation

**Tip:** Interpolate quaternions as ordinary 4-vectors

Supported in HI Corp's M3G Exporter

SLERP and SQUAD are slower, but need less keyframes

Quaternions are automatically normalized before use

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# Summary

M3G enables real-time 3D on mobile Java

Minimizes Java code along critical paths

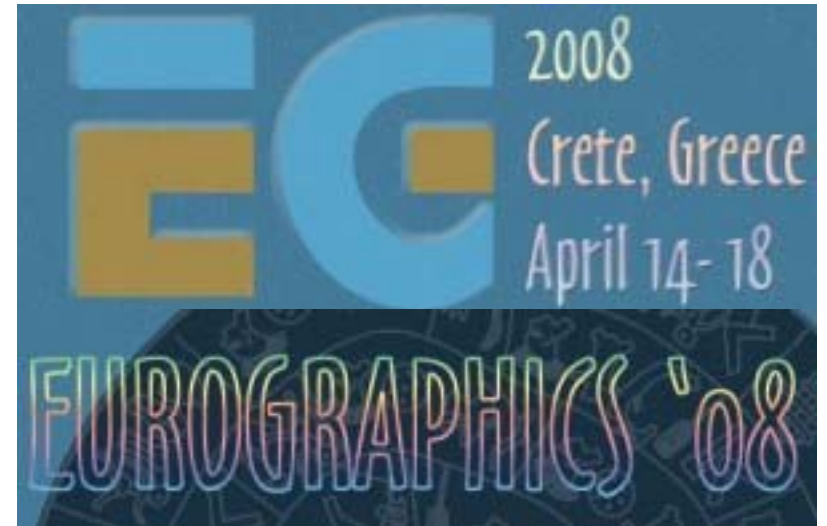
Designed for both software and hardware

OpenGL ES features at the foundation

Animation & scene graph layered on top

**30'000 devices sold during this presentation**

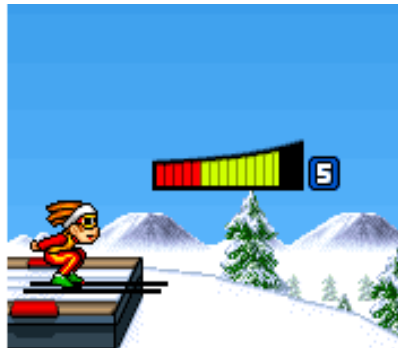
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# Playman Winter Games – RealNetworks

Side view only

2D



Restart



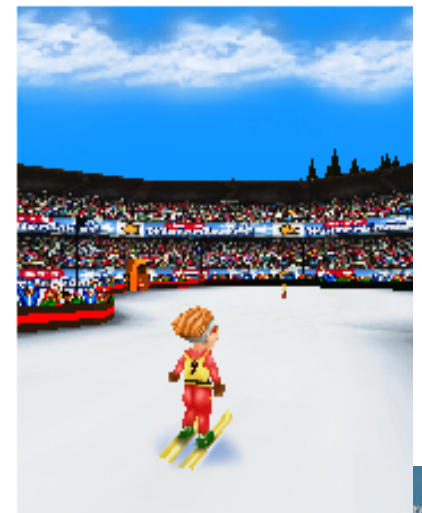
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Restart

Perspective and depth

3D



# Playman World Soccer – RealNetworks

2D/3D hybrid

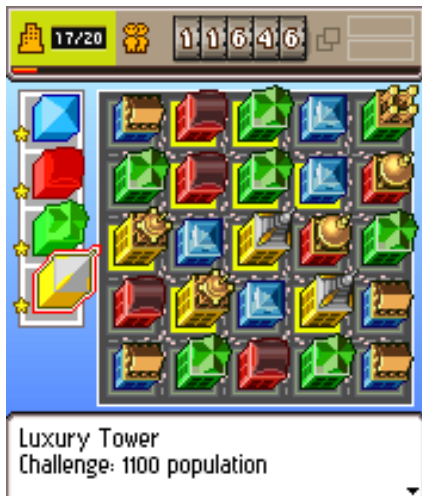
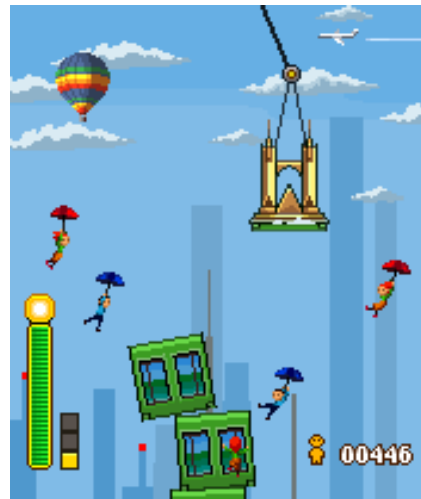
Cartoon-like  
2D figures in  
a 3D scene

2D particle  
effects etc.





# Tower Bloxx – Digital Chocolate



Puzzle/arcade  
mixture

Tower building  
mode is in 3D, with  
2D overlays and  
backgrounds

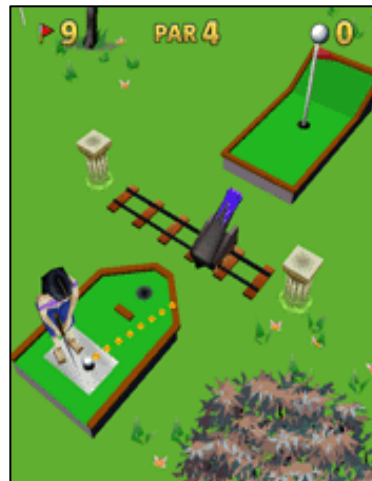
City building mode  
is in pure 2D

# Mini Golf Castles – Digital Chocolate

3D with 2D  
background  
and overlays

Skinned  
characters

Realistic ball  
physics



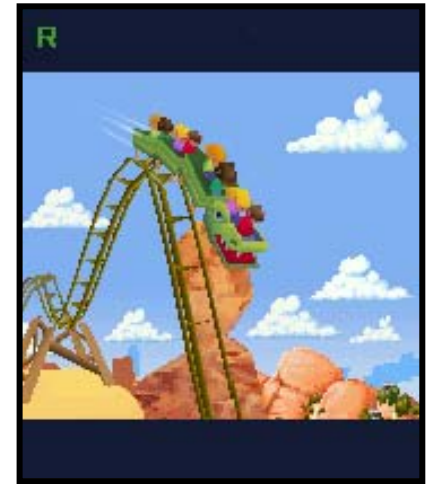


# Rollercoaster Rush – Digital Chocolate

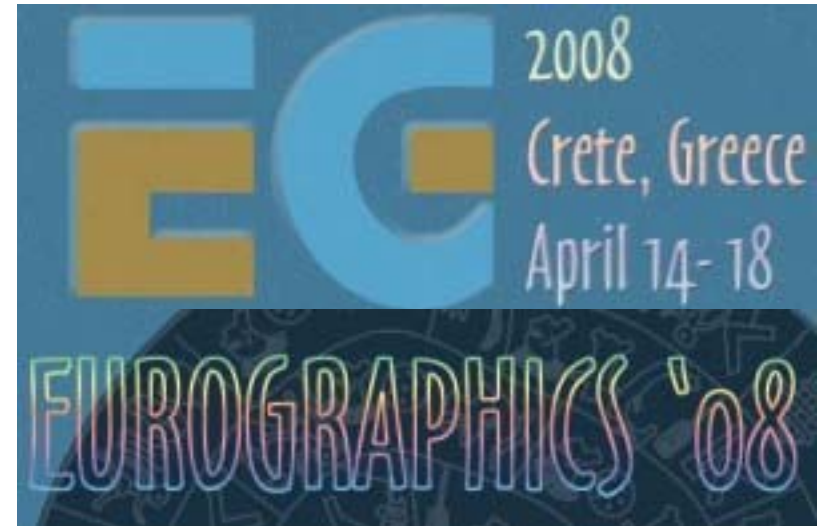
2D backgrounds

3D main scene

2D overlays



# Q&A



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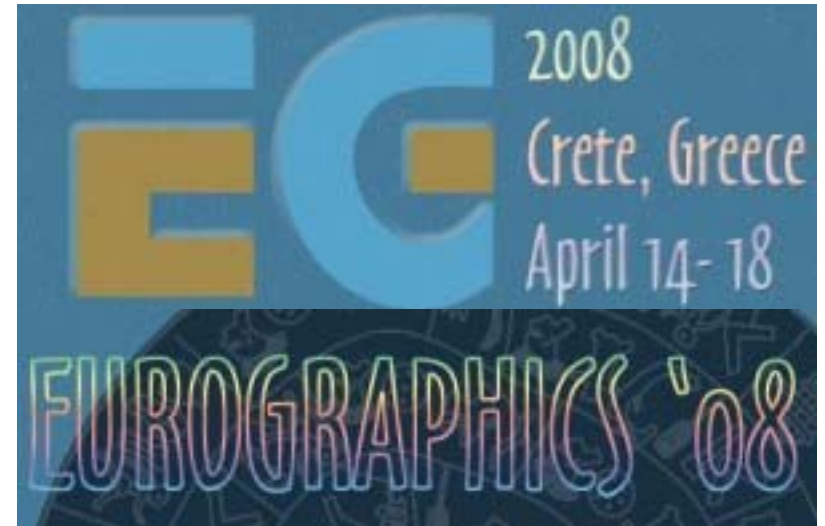
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# M3G in the Real World



Mark Callow  
Chief Architect



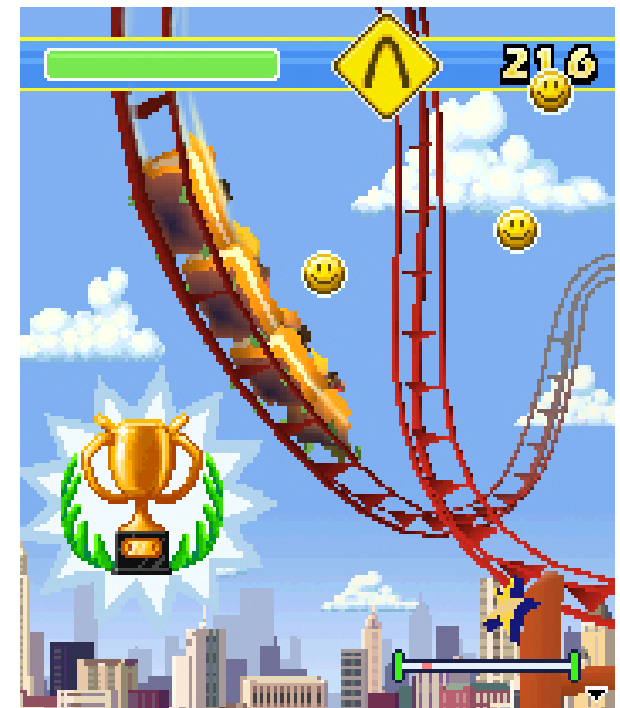
# An M3G Game



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# Rollercoaster Rush 3D™



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COFFEE BREAK

The structure of a MIDlet

A walk through a sample game

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# Game Development Process

## Traditional Java Game

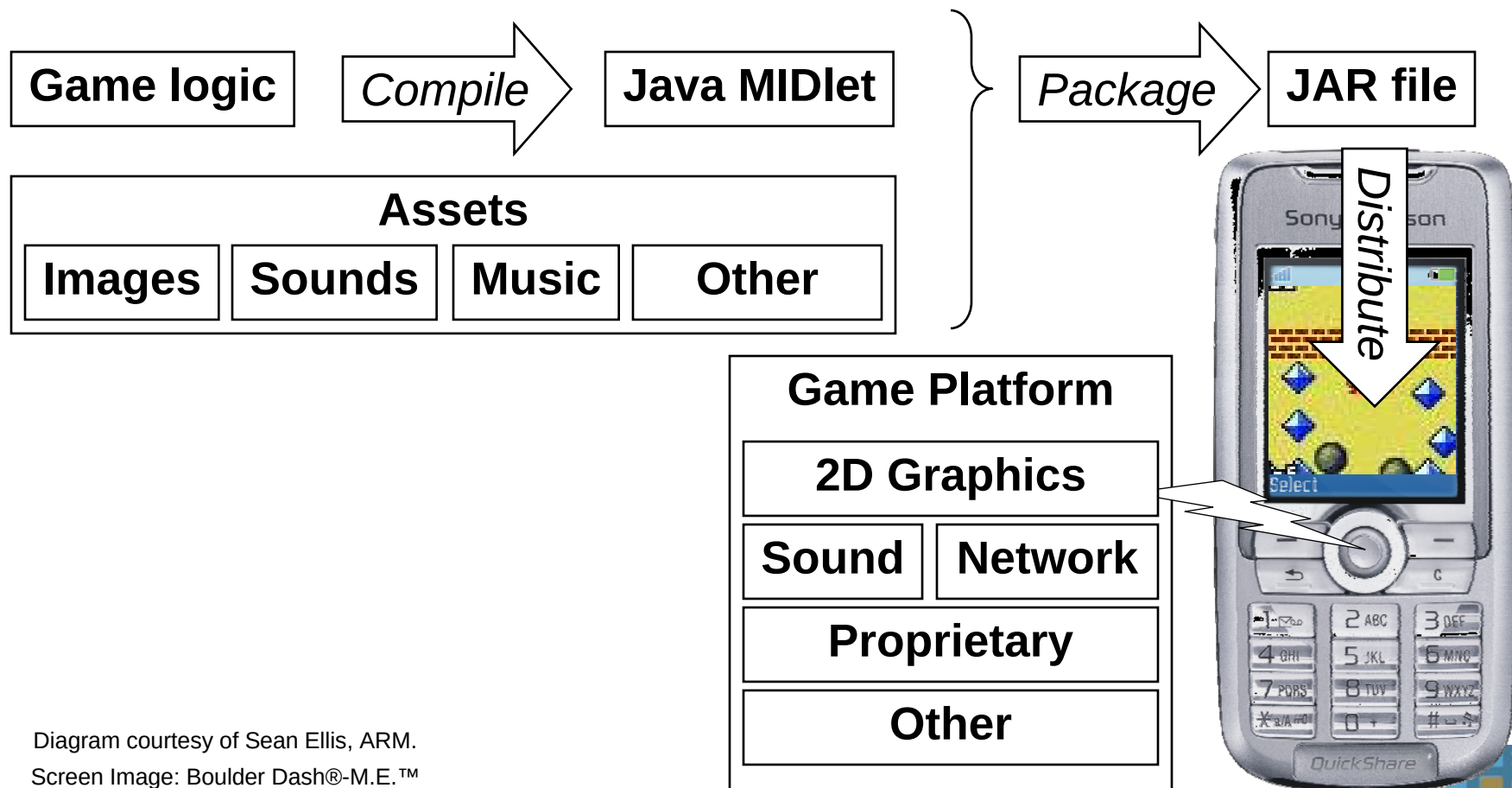


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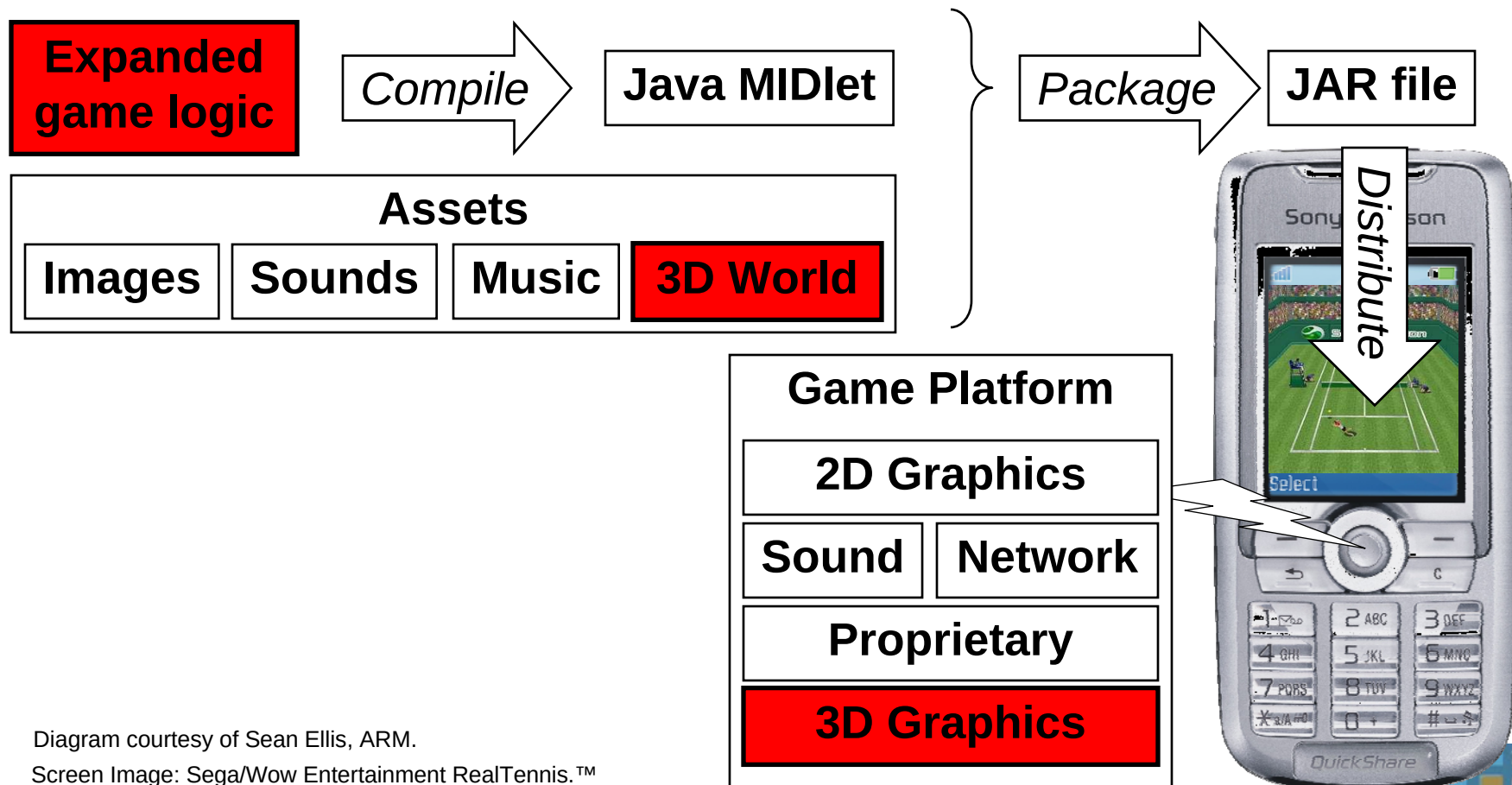
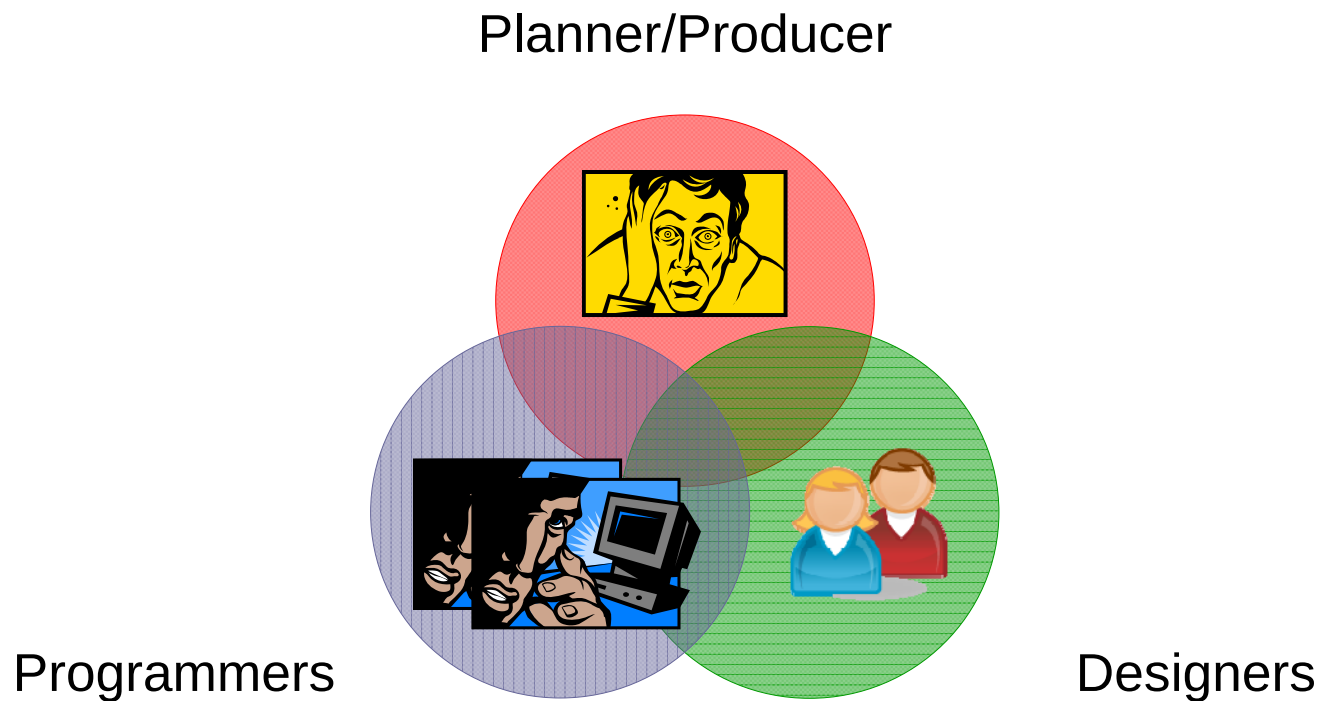


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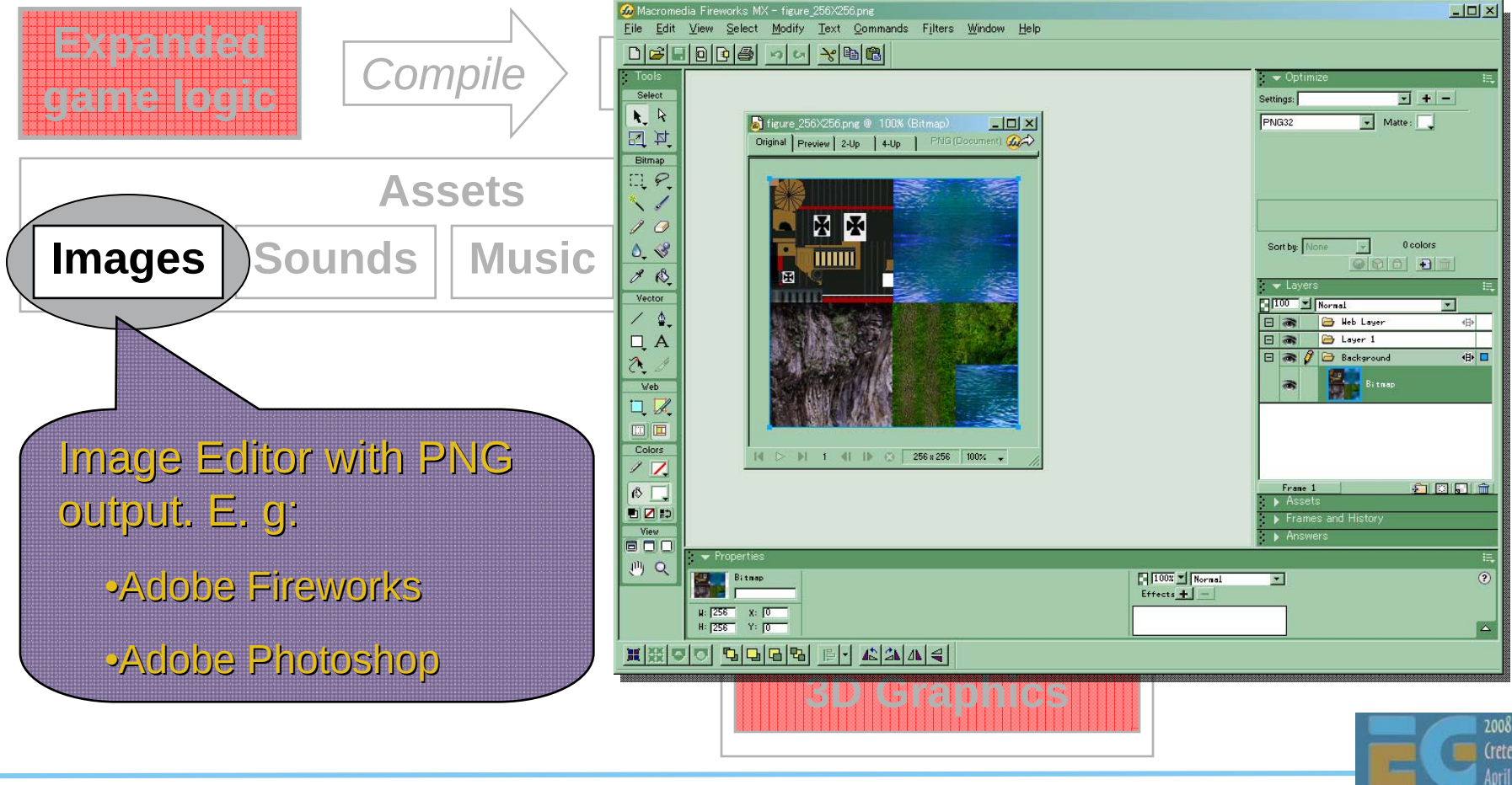
## Tools

Creating your assets

Programming tools & development platforms

# Creating Your Assets: Images

## Textures & Backgrounds



# Creating Your Assets: Sounds

## Audio Tools

Expanded  
game logic

Compile

Assets

Image

Sounds

Music

Audio Production Tool; e. g.

- Sony Sound Forge®

Commonly Used Formats:

- WAV, AU, MP3, SMAF



3D Graphics



# Creating Your Assets: Music

## Music Tools

Expanded  
game logic

Compile

Java

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Images

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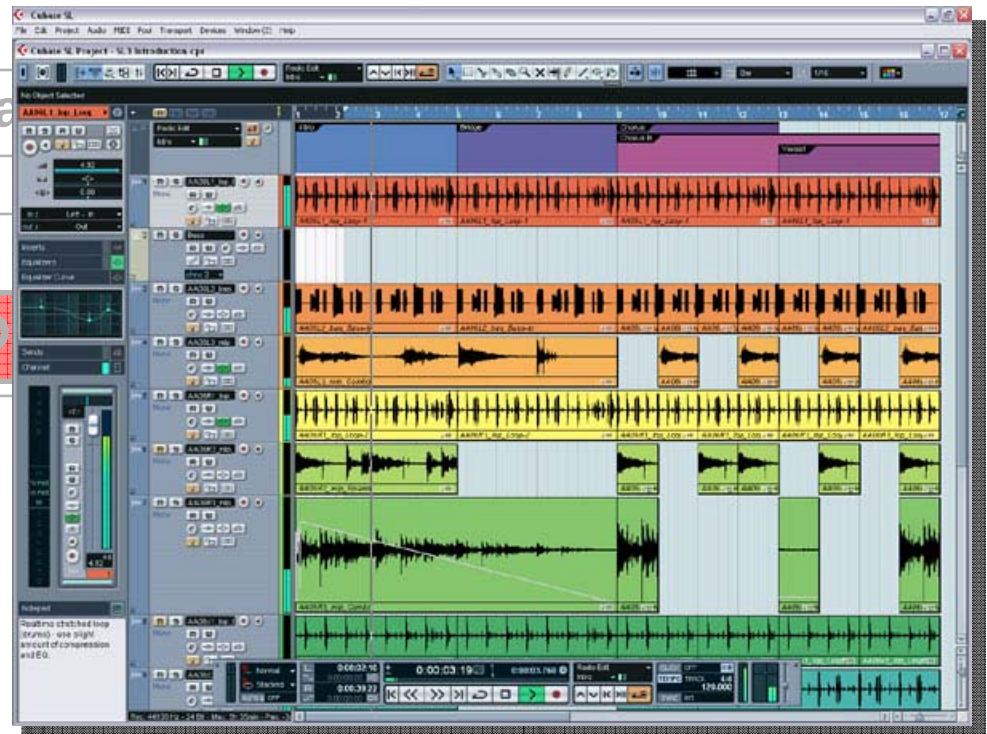
Music

MIDI Sequencer; e. g.

- Steinberg Cubase

Formats:

- SMAF, MIDI, cMIDI, MFI



Proprietary

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# Creating Your Assets: 3d Models

## Modeling Tools

Expanded  
game logic

Compile

Java MIDlet

Assets

Images

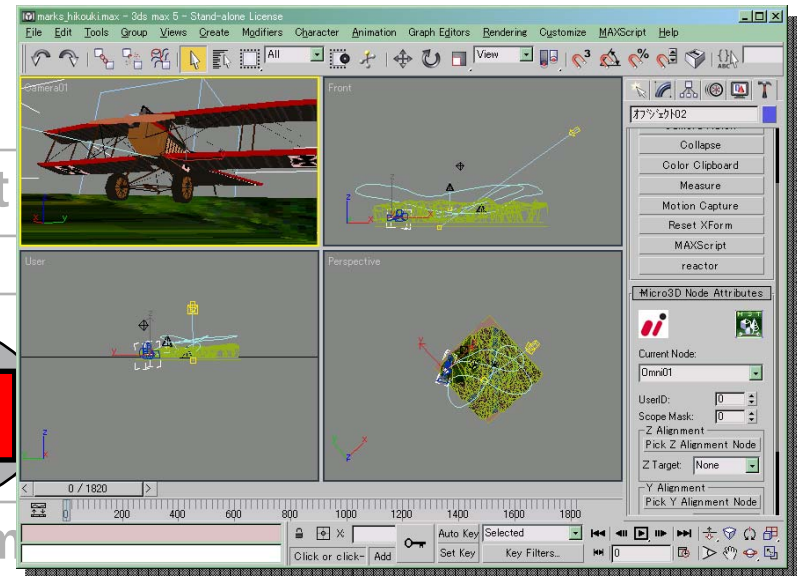
Sounds

Music

3D World

3d Modeler with M3G plug-in; e.g.

- Lightwave
- Maya
- 3d studio max
- Softimage|XSI



Game

2D Graphics

Sound

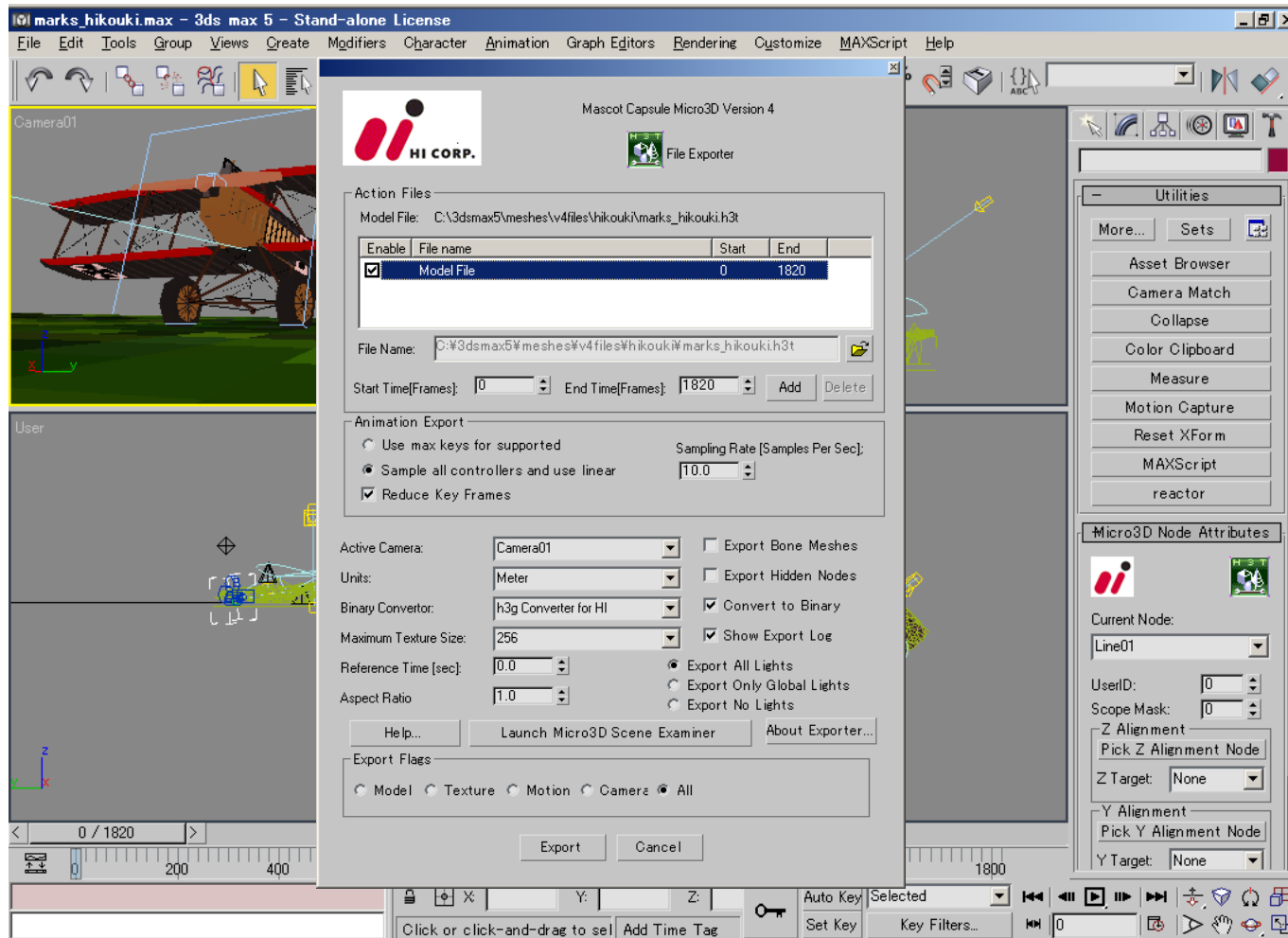
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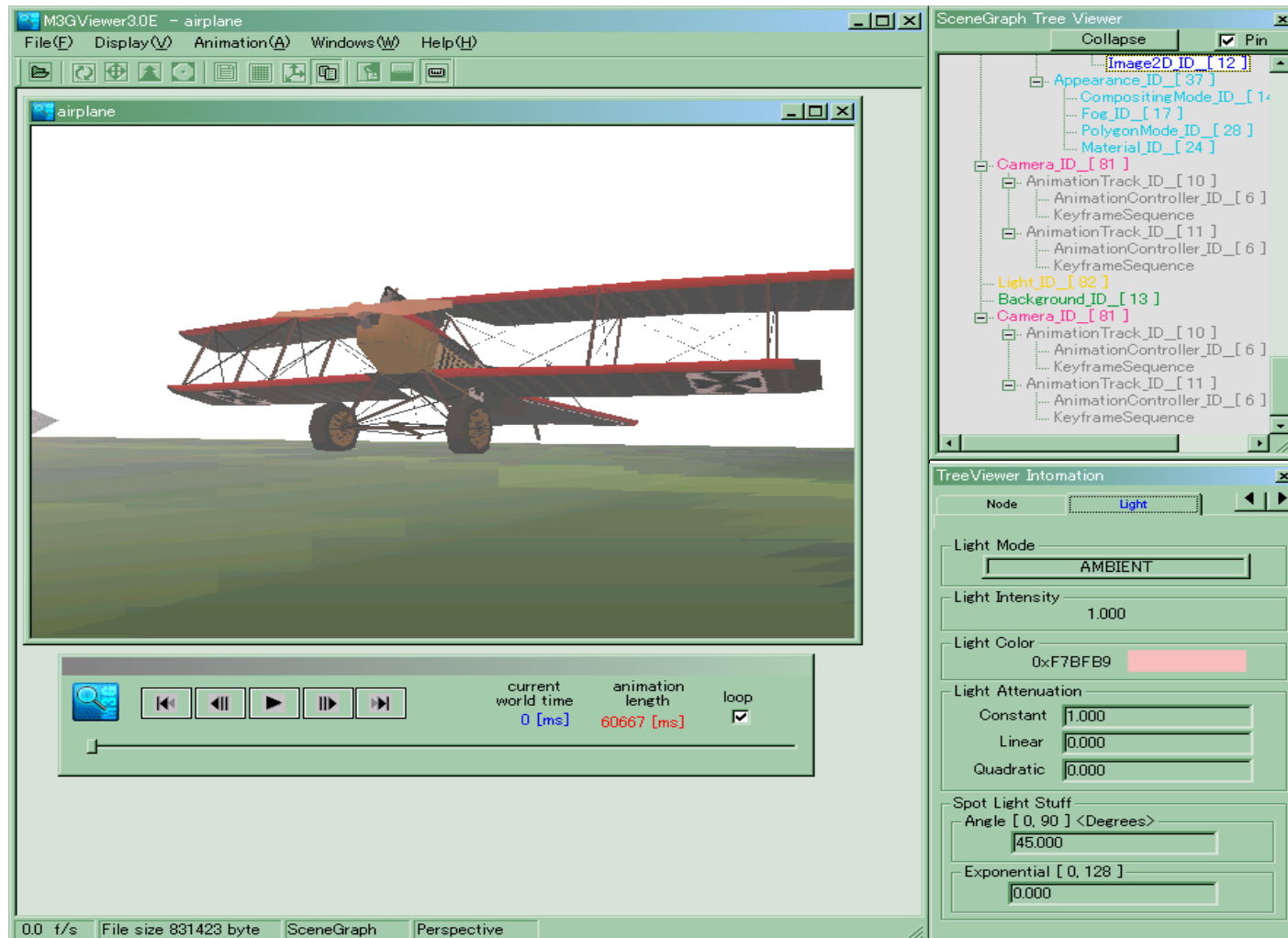
3D Graphics



# Export 3d Model to M3G



# M3G File Viewer



# On an Emulator



# Tips for Designers 1

*TIP: Don't use GIF files*

*The specification does not require their support*

*TIP: Create the best possible quality audio & music*

*It's much easier to reduce the quality later than increase it*

*TIP: Polygon reduction tools & polygon counters  
are your friends*

*Use the minimum number of polygons that conveys your  
vision satisfactorily*

# Tips for Designers 2

*TIP: Use light maps for lighting effects*

Usually faster than per-vertex lighting

Use luminance textures, not RGB

Multitexturing is your friend

*TIP: Try LINEAR interpolation for Quaternions*

*Faster than SLERP*

*But less smooth*

# Tips for Designers 3

*TIP: Favor textured quads over Background & Sprite3D*

Background and Sprite3D will be deprecated in M3G 2.0

Were intended to speed up software renderers

but implementation is complex, so not much speed up and no speed up at all with hardware renderers

Nevertheless Sprite3Ds are convenient to use for 2D overlays and Backgrounds are convenient when background scrolling is required.

*LIMITATION: Sprites not useful for particle systems*

# Tools Agenda

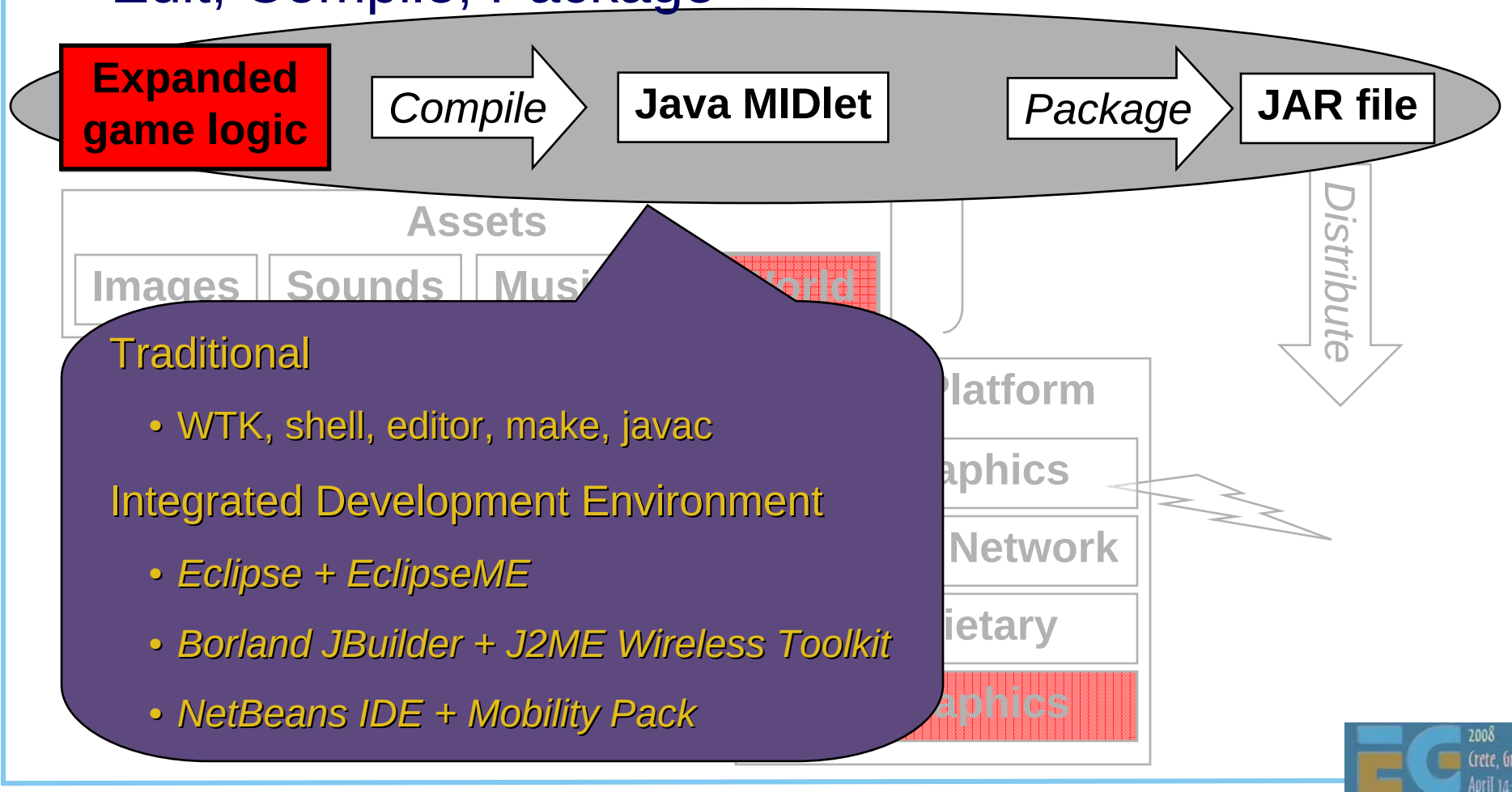
## Tools

- Creating your assets

Programming tools & development platforms

# Program Development

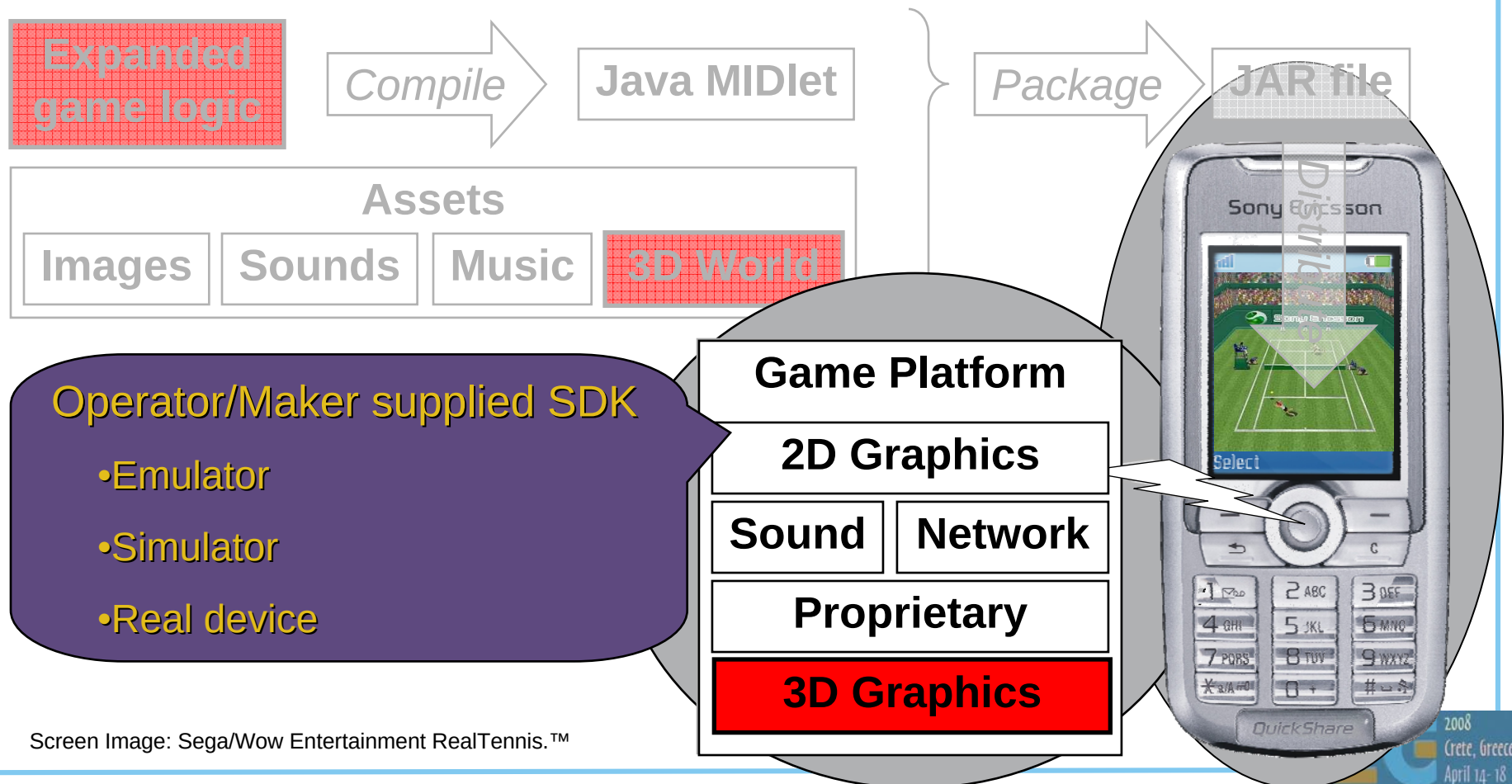
Edit, Compile, Package



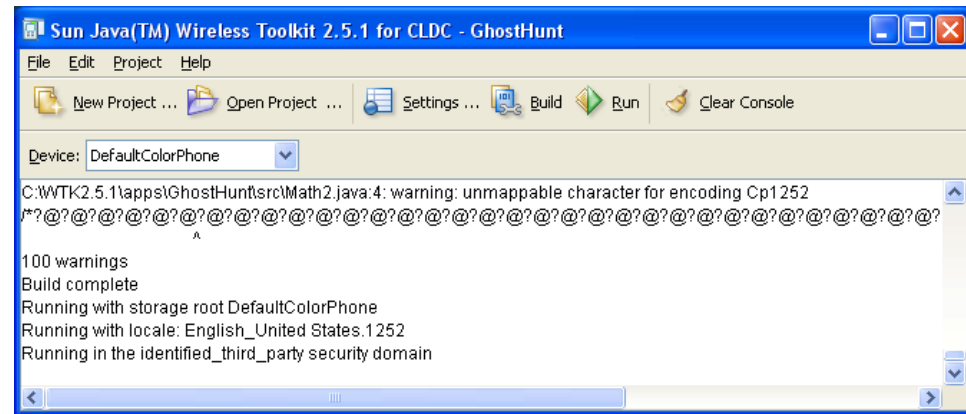


# Program Development

## Test & Debug



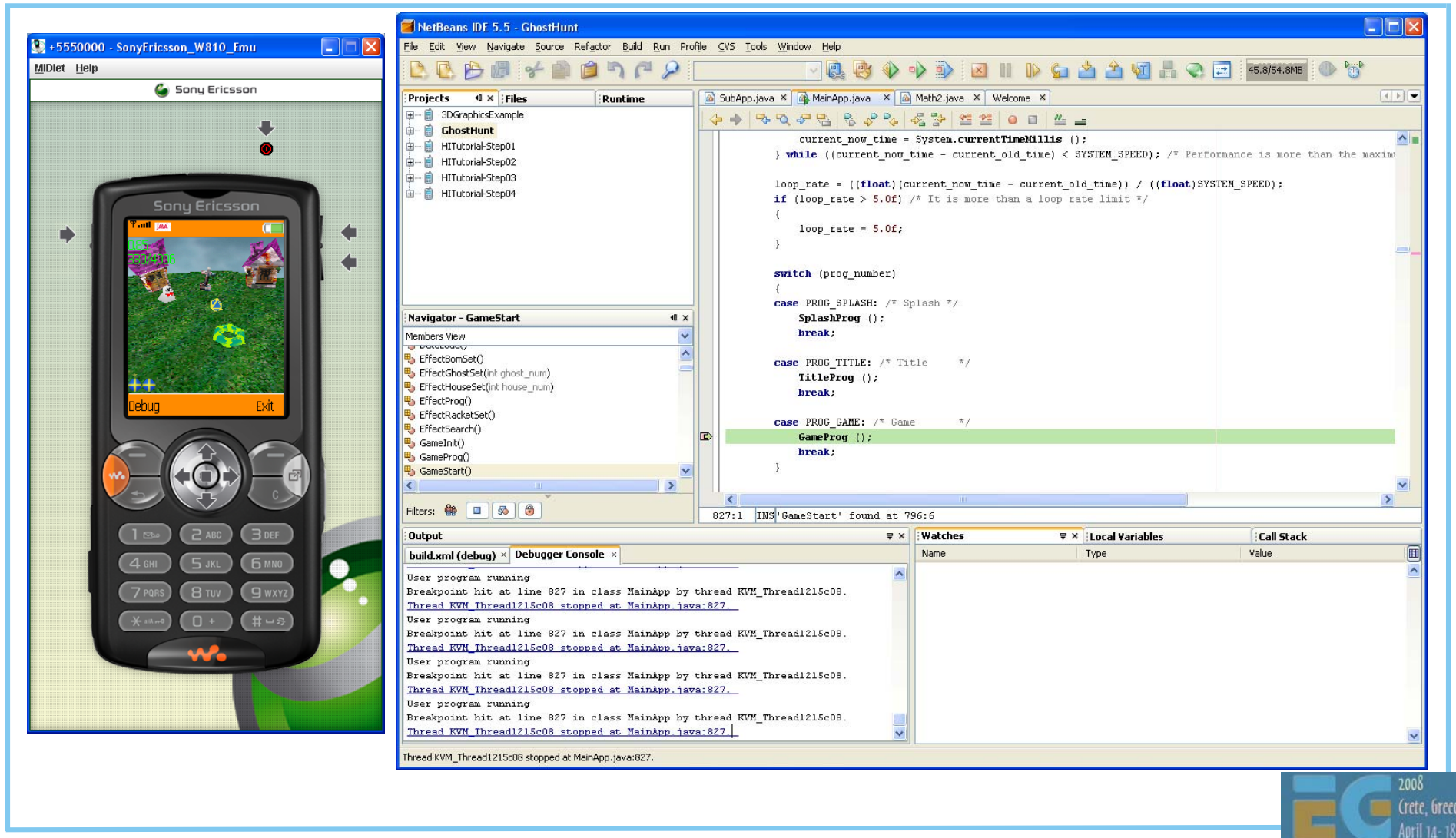
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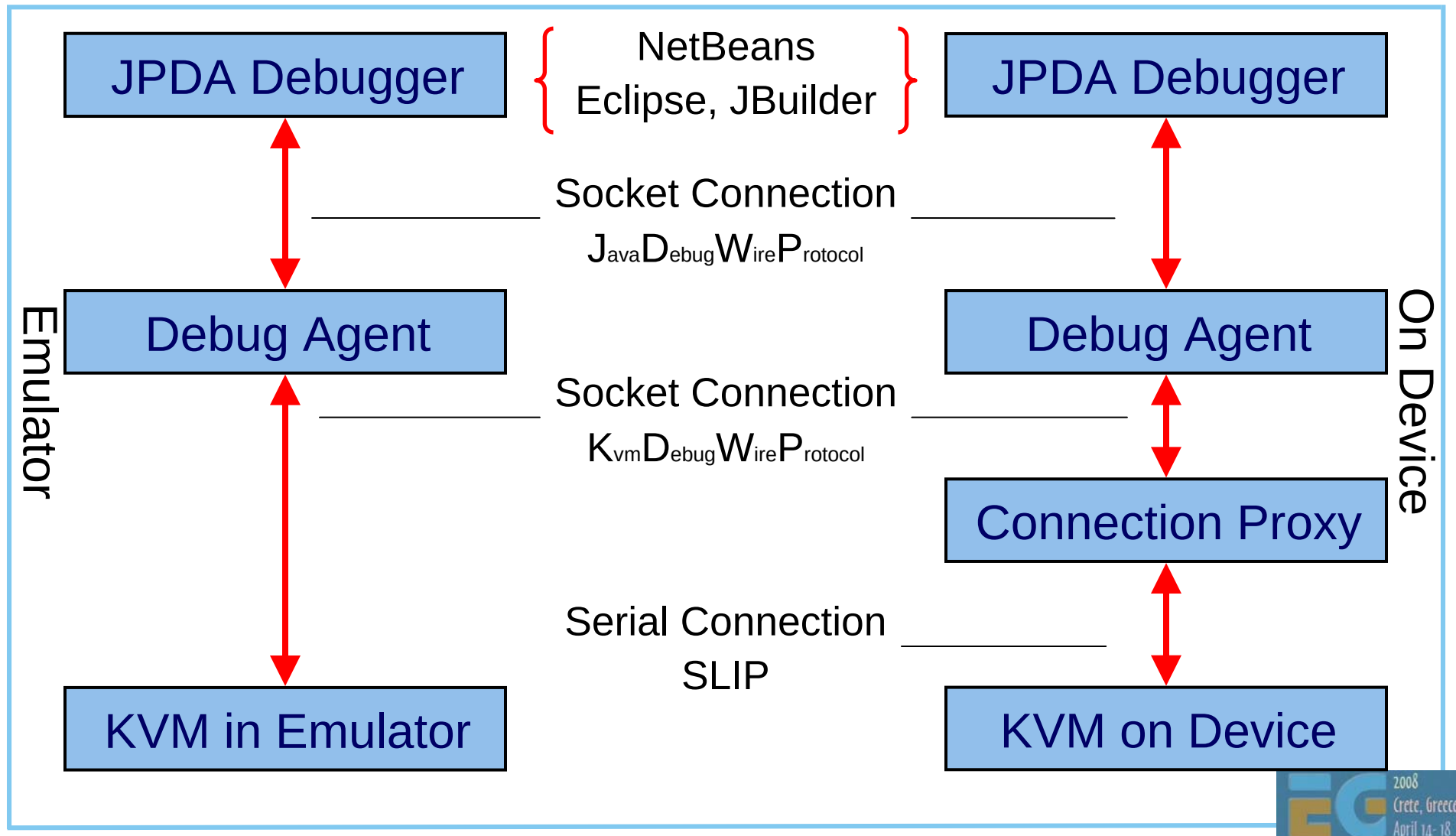
↑  
KToolBar

← Handset Emulator

# NetBeans + Mobility Pack + SE SDK



# Java Debugging



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## COFFEE BREAK

- The structure of a Mobile Game
- A walk through a sample game
- Why mobile game development is hard
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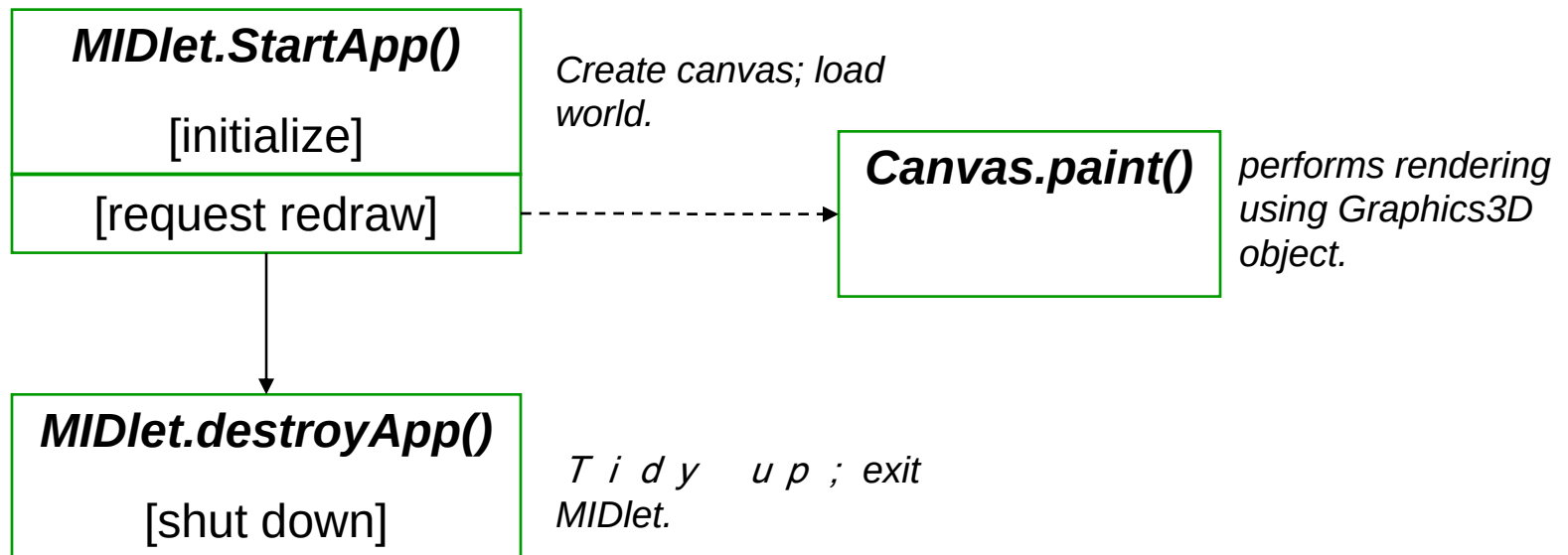
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## The structure of a MIDlet

- A walk through a sample game
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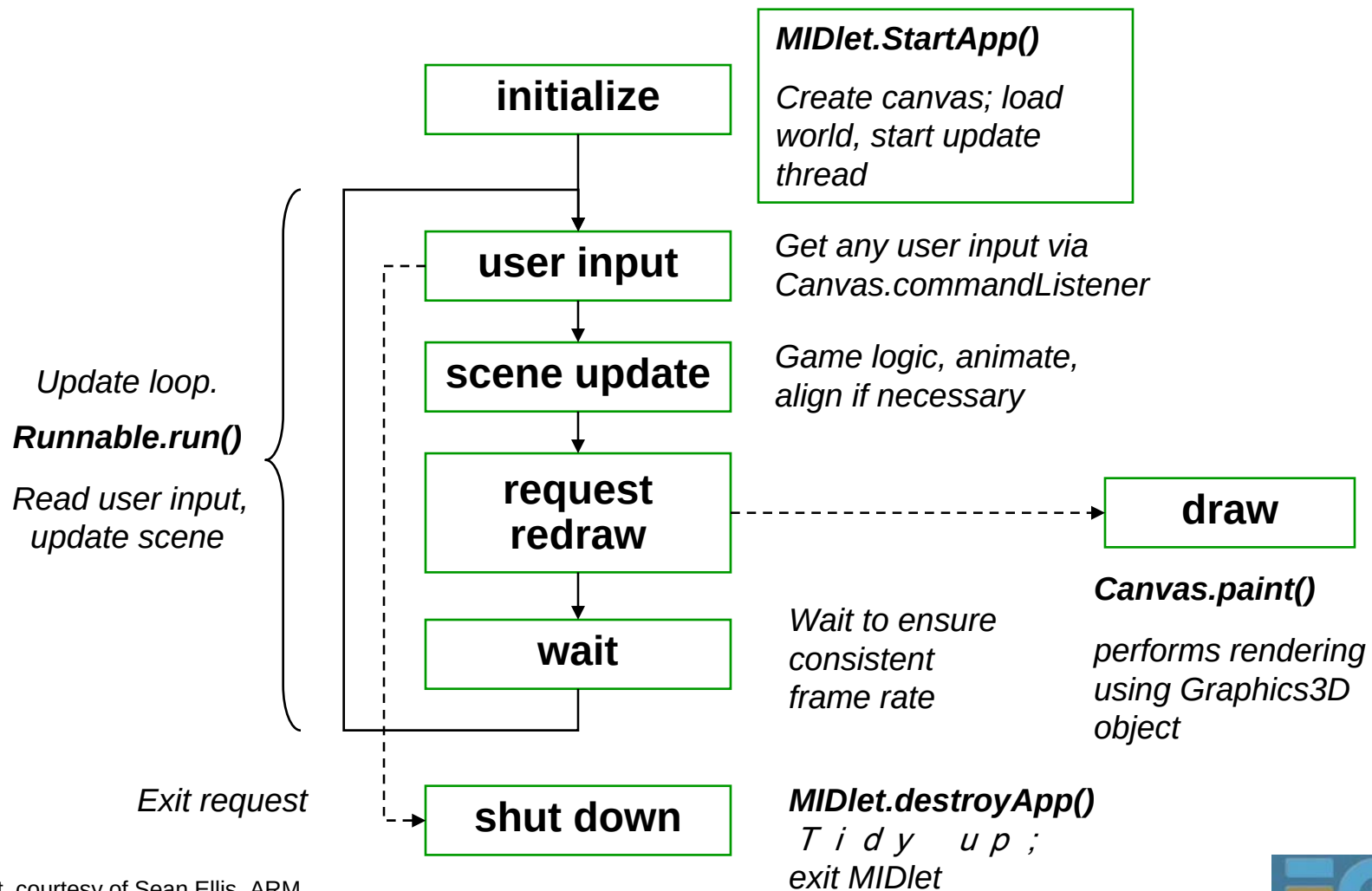
# The Simplest MIDlet

Derived from MIDlet,  
Overrides three methods



And that's it.

# A More Interesting MIDlet



Flow-chart courtesy of Sean Ellis, ARM



# MIDlet Phases

Initialize

Update

Draw

Shutdown

# Initialize

Load assets: world, other 3D objects, sounds, etc.

Find any objects that are frequently used

Perform game logic initialization

Initialize display

Initialize timers to drive main update loop

# Update

Usually a thread driven by timer events

Get user input

Get current time

Run game logic based on user input

Game logic updates world objects, if necessary

Animate

Request redraw

# Update Tips

*TIP: Don't create or release objects if possible*

*TIP: Call `system.gc()` regularly to avoid long pauses*

*TIP: cache any value that does not change every frame; compute only what is absolutely necessary*

# Draw

Usually on overridden paint method

Bind Graphics3D to screen

Render 3D world or objects

Release Graphics3D

...whatever happens!

Perform any other drawing (UI, score, etc)

Request next timed update

# Draw Tips

*TIP: Don't do 2D drawing while Graphics3D is bound*

# Shutdown

Tidy up all unused objects

Ensure once again that Graphics3D is released

Exit cleanly

Graphics3D should also be released during  
pauseApp

# MIDlet Review

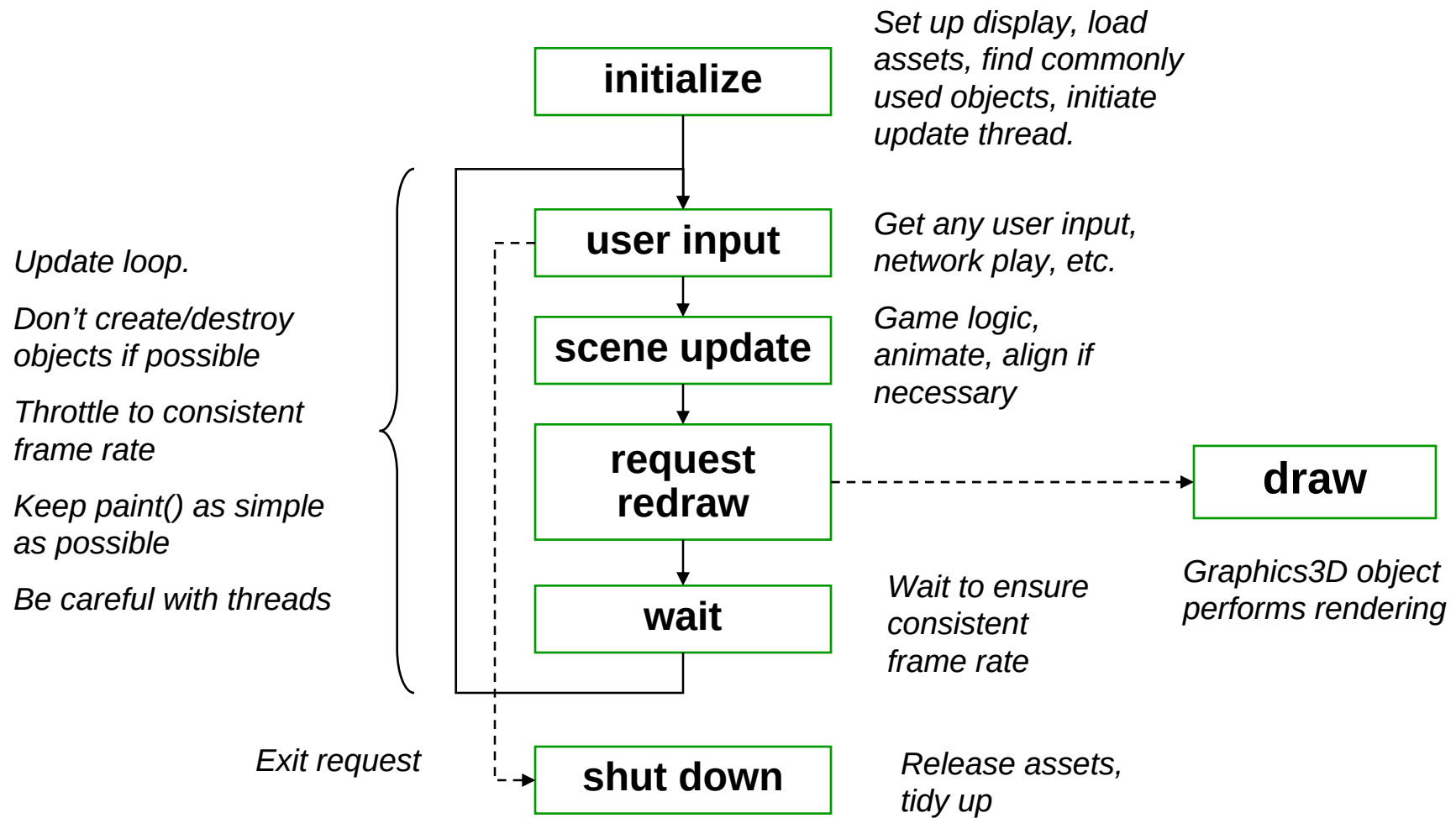


Diagram courtesy of Sean Ellis, ARM



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# Demo: *GhostHunt*



# ***GhostHunt***

Arrow keys move a “plasma” racquet side to side to hit a “plasma” ball

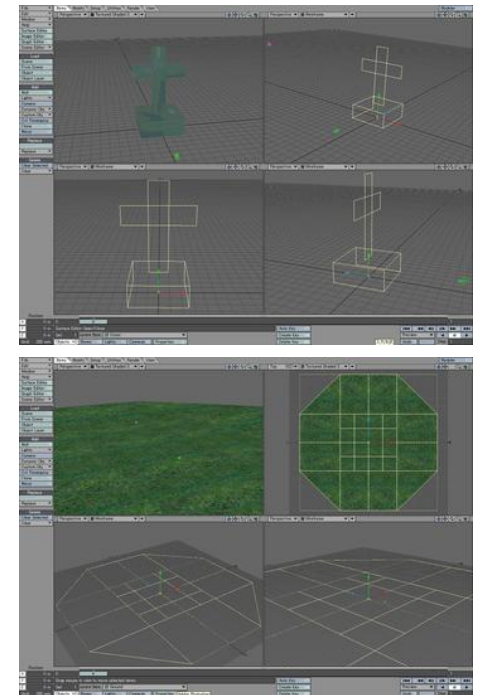
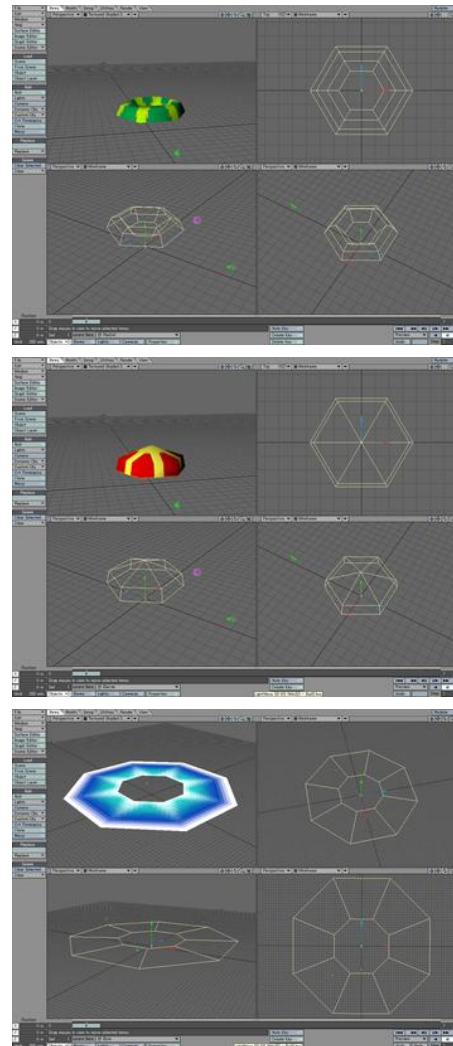
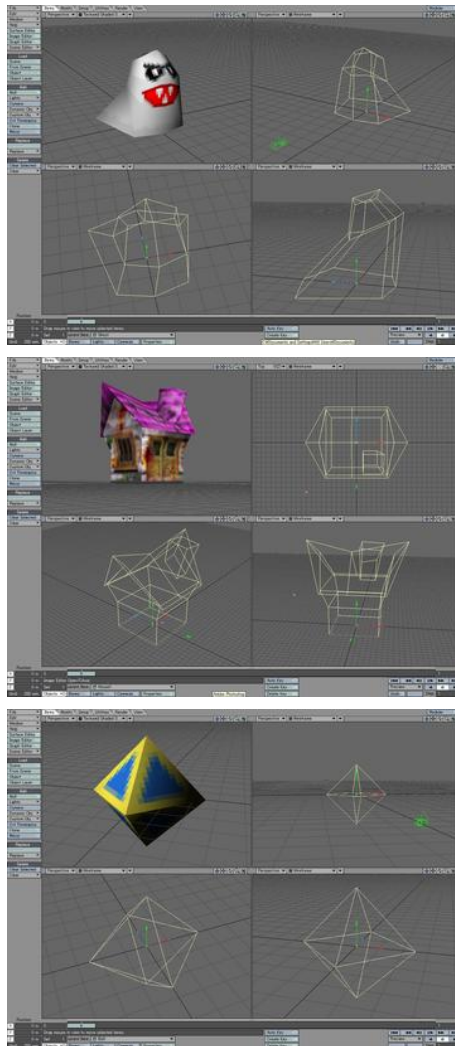
Ball hits deform ghost houses and make the ghosts disappear

Loads data from .m3g and .png files

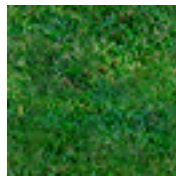
Uses Immediate mode

Uses 2D for sky and scores

# ***GhostHunt*** Models



# GhostHunt Assets

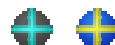


1 2 3

4 5 6

7 8 9

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PUSH START  
STAGE  
GAME OVER  
CLEAR  
GO!



ball



ball2



barrier



bom



cross



ghost



ground



house1



house2



house3



racket



warp

# ***GhostHunt Framework***

MainApp.java – MIDlet specialization;  
handles initialization & data loading; contains  
run thread

SubApp.java – canvas specialization

Math2.java – math library

# *GhostHunt: initialization*

```
import javax.microedition.midlet.*;
import javax.microedition.lcdui.*;
import javax.microedition.m3g.*;

class MainApp extends MIDlet implements CommandListener {
 MainApp() {
 exit_command = new Command("Exit" , Command.EXIT , 0);
 select_command = new Command("Debug", Command.SCREEN, 0);

 /* Create canvas */
 subapp = new SubApp ();
 subapp.addCommand (exit_command);
 subapp.addCommand (select_command);
 subapp.setCommandListener (this);

 SystemInit ();
 prog_number = PROG_SPLASH;
 WorkInit ();
 GameInit ();
 DataLoad ();
 }
}
```

# ***GhostHunt: loading data***

```
DataLoad() {
 try {
 image [TITLE_SP] = Image.createImage ("/title.png");
 ...
 } catch (Exception e) {
 System.out.println ("----- SP Load");
 ApplicationEnd ();
 }

 try {
 load_data [RACKET_DATA] = Loader.load("/racket.m3g");
 } catch (Exception e) {
 ...
 }
 mesh [RACKET_DATA] = (Mesh)load_data [RACKET_DATA][0];
 vbuf [RACKET_DATA] = mesh [RACKET_DATA].getVertexBuffer();
 ibuf [RACKET_DATA] = mesh [RACKET_DATA].getIndexBuffer(0);
 app [RACKET_DATA] = mesh [RACKET_DATA].getAppearance(0);
 ...
}
```



# *GhostHunt*: MIDlet functions

```
public void startApp () {
 thread = new Thread () {
 public void run () {
 GameStart ();
 }
 };
 // Call the new thread's run method.
 thread.start ();
}

public void pauseApp ()
{
 thread = null;
}

public void destroyApp (boolean unconditional)
{
 ApplicationEnd();
}
```

# *GhostHunt: GameStart thread*

```
void GameStart () {
 Thread thisThread = Thread.currentThread();
 Display.getDisplay (this).setCurrent (subapp);
 while (thread == thisThread) {
 prev_time = now_time;
 do {
 now_time = System.currentTimeMillis ();
 } while ((now_time - prev_time) < SYSTEM_SPEED);
 loop_rate = (now_time - prev_time) / SYSTEM_SPEED;
 if (loop_rate > 5.0f) { /* More than loop rate limit */
 loop_rate = 5.0f;
 }
 /* do game stuff here ... */
 try {
 Thread.sleep (1);
 } catch (InterruptedException e) {
 ApplicationEnd ();
 }
 }
}
```

# ***GhostHunt: “do game stuff here ...”***

```
void GameStart () {
 ...
 switch (prog_number) {
 case PROG_SPLASH: /* Splash */
 SplashProg ();
 break;
 case PROG_TITLE: /* Title */
 TitleProg ();
 break;
 case PROG_GAME: /* Game */
 GameProg ();
 break;
 }
 ...
}
```

# *GhostHunt: TitleProg*

```
void TitleProg ()
{
 key_dat = subapp.sys_key; /* Get keypresses */

 if ((key_dat & KEY_FIRE) != 0) /* it is fire key */
 {
 racket_tx = 0.0f;
 racket_tz = 0.0f; /* for initializing camera */
 WorkInit ();
 GameInit ();
 ...
 prog_number = PROG_GAME;
 }

 /*----- Updating-----*/
 start_loop++;

 /*----- Drawing -----*/
 subapp.repaint ();
}
```

# SubApp: *GhostHunt's* Canvas

```
public class SubApp extends Canvas {
 int cnt;
 static int keydata [] = { UP, LEFT, RIGHT, DOWN, FIRE };
 int length = keydata.length;

 static int sys_key = 0;

 synchronized public void paint (Graphics graphics) { }

 ...

 protected void keyPressed (int key) { }
 protected void keyRepeated (int key) { }
 protected void keyReleased (int key) { }
}
```

# ***GhostHunt: key handling***

```
static int keydata [] = { UP, LEFT, RIGHT, DOWN, FIRE };

protected void keyPressed (int key) {
 for (cnt = 0; cnt < length; cnt++) { /* Search key data.
 */
 if (getGameAction (key) == keydata [cnt]) {
 sys_key |= (1 << cnt);
 }
 }
}

protected void keyReleased (int key) {
 for (cnt = 0; cnt < length; cnt++) { /* Search key data.
 */
 if (getGameAction (key) == keydata [cnt]) {
 sys_key &= (~(1 << cnt));
 }
 }
}
```

# SubApp *paint* Method

```
synchronized public void paint (Graphics graphics) {
/*----- select drawing process -----*/
 switch (MainApp.prog_number)
 {
 case MainApp.PROG_SPLASH:
 SplashDraw (graphics); /* Splash */
 break;

 case MainApp.PROG_TITLE:
 TitleDraw (graphics); /* Title */
 break;

 case MainApp.PROG_GAME:
 GameDraw (graphics); /* Game */
 break;
 }

 Math2.Rand ();
}
```

# GameDraw

```
void GameDraw (Graphics graphics)
{
 ...
 graphics.drawImage (MainApp.image[MainApp.BG_SP], 0, 0,
 Graphics.TOP | Graphics.LEFT); /* 2D background sprite */

 MainApp.g3d.bindTarget (graphics);
 MainApp.g3d.clear (MainApp.background);

 /*----- camera setup -----*/
 ...
 /*----- draw 3D objects -----*/
 ...

 MainApp.g3d.releaseTarget ();

 /*----- draw score, items etc. in 2D -----*/
 ...
}
```



# *GameDraw: camera set-up*

```
MainApp.ctrans.setIdentity();
MainApp.ctrans.postTranslate(MainApp.camera_tx,
 MainApp.camera_ty,
 MainApp.camera_tz);
MainApp.ctrans.postRotate(MainApp.camera_ry,
 0.0f, 1.0f, 0.0f);
MainApp.ctrans.postRotate(MainApp.camera_rx,
 1.0f, 0.0f, 0.0f);
MainApp.ctrans.postRotate(MainApp.camera_rz,
 0.0f, 0.0f, 1.0f);

MainApp.g3d.setCamera(MainApp.camera, MainApp.ctrans);
```

# *GameDraw: draw 3d objects*

```
for (count = 0; count != MainApp.GHOST_MAX; count++)
{
 if (MainApp.ghost_draw_flag [count] != 0) {
 data = count * 2;
 x = MainApp.ghost_xz [data + 0];
 z = MainApp.ghost_xz [data + 1];
 r = MainApp.ghost_r [count];
 trans = MainApp.trans[MainApp.GHOST_M + count];

 trans.setIdentity ();
 trans.postTranslate (x, 0.0f, z);
 trans.postRotate (r, 0.0f, 1.0f, 0.0f);
 trans.postScale (MainApp.ghost_scale [count],
 MainApp.ghost_scale [count],
 MainApp.ghost_scale [count]);

 MainApp.g3d.render (MainApp.vbuf [MainApp.GHOST_DATA],
 MainApp.ibuf [MainApp.GHOST_DATA],
 MainApp.app [MainApp.GHOST_DATA],
 trans);
 }
}
```

# GameProg

```
void GameProg() {
 key_dat_old = key_dat; /*----- Get key data -----*/
 key_dat = subapp.sys_key;

 CameraWorldSet ();
 if (Math2.DistanceCalc2D (0.0f, 0.0f, ball_tx,
 ball_tz) > 1.5f) {
 CameraSet (15.0f * (1.0f / loop_rate));
 }

 if (freeze_time == 0) /* The Game is not frozen */ {
 /*----- do game calculations -----*/
 ...
 }
 EffectProg ();
 subapp.repaint ();
 ...
}
```

# ***GameProg: do game calculations***

```
RacketProg (key_dat, key_dat_old); /*-- Plasma Racket --*/

if (racket_break_flag != 1) /*- Racket not destroyed -*/
 BallProg ();

GhostProg ();

if (racket_break_flag != 1) /*- Racket not destroyed -*/ {
 BallHit (); /*--- Collision Decision ---*/
 RacketBreakCheck ();
}

house = HouseCheck (); /*----- Final Check -----*/
if (house == 0) /* All ghost houses are destroyed. */ {
 /*----- make all remaining ghosts disappear -----*/

 ...
 freeze_time = (int)(MOJI_CLEAR_WAIT * (1.0f/loop_rate));
 moji_number = MOJI_CLEAR;
}
}
```

# ***BallProg: compute new ball position***

```
void BallProg () {
 ...
 ball_speed_rate = ball_speed * loop_rate;

 dis = Math2.DistanceCalc2D(ball_tx, ball_tz, 0.0f, 0.0f);
 pd = Math2.DistanceCalc2D(ball_tx2, ball_tz2, 0.0f, 0.0f);
 if ((dis > 2.0f) && pd > dis) /* Homing is necessary */ {
 angle = Math2.AngleCalc (ball_tx, ball_tz, 0.0f, 0.0f);
 if (Math2.DiffAngleCalc (angle, ball_vec) > 0.0f) {
 ball_vec -= (0.6f * loop_rate);
 } else {
 ball_vec += (0.6f * loop_rate);
 }
 }
 Math2.RotatePointCalc (ball_speed_rate, ball_vec);
 ball_tx2 = ball_tx; /* Save the previous coordinates */
 ball_tz2 = ball_tz;
 ball_tx += Math2.calc_x;
 ball_tz += Math2.calc_y;
}
```

# BallHit

```
void BallHit () {
 ...
 /*----- racket collision detection -----*/
 ...
 /*----- ghost house collision detection -----*/
 ...
 /*----- ghost collision detection -----*/
 ...
 /*----- obstacle (cross) collision detection -----*/
 ...
 /*----- warp hole collision detection -----*/
 ...
 /*----- check for outside the field -----*/
 ...
}
```

# ***BallHit: racket collision detection***

```
void BallHit () {
 ... /* final static int Math2.ANGLE = 360 */
 dist = Math2.DistanceCalc2D (racket_tx, racket_tz
 ball_tx, ball_tz);
 if (dist <= BALL_RACKET_DISTANCE) {
 angle = Math2.AngleCalc (ball_tx, ball_tz, racket_tx,
 racket_tz);
 diff = Math2.DiffAngleCalc(angle, ball_vec
 + (Math2.ANGLE/2.0f));
 if (Math2.Absf (diff) > (Math2.ANGLE / 4.0f)) {
 /* Feasible angle for collision */
 ball_vec = angle + (diff * -1.0f);

 Math2.RotatePointCalc (ball_speed_rate, ball_vec);
 ball_tx = ball_tx2 + Math2.calc_x;
 ball_tz = ball_tz2 + Math2.calc_y;
 }
 }
 ...
}
```

Room for improvement?



# Improvement 1: simpler drawing

```
for (count = 0; count != MainApp.GHOST_MAX; count++)
{
 if (MainApp.ghost_draw_flag [count] != 0) {
 ...
MainApp.g3d.render (MainApp.vbuf [MainApp.GHOST_DATA],
MainApp.ibuf [MainApp.GHOST_DATA],
MainApp.app [MainApp.GHOST_DATA],
trans);
 MainApp.g3d.render (MainApp.mesh[MainApp.GHOST_DATA],
 trans)
 }
}
```

# Improvement 2: no busy waiting

```
while (thread == thisThread) {
 prev_time = now_time;
 do {
 now_time = System.currentTimeMillis ();
 } while ((now_time - prev_time) < SYSTEM_SPEED);
 loop_rate = (now_time - prev_time) / SYSTEM_SPEED;
 if (loop_rate > 5.0f) { /* More than loop rate limit */
 loop_rate = 5.0f;
 }
 /* do game stuff here ... */
 try {
 Thread.sleep (1);
 } catch (InterruptedException e) {
 ApplicationEnd ();
 }
}
```

# Improvement 2: no busy waiting

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while (thread == thisThread) {
 prev_time = now_time;
do {
 now_time = System.currentTimeMillis();
} while ((now_time - prev_time) < SYSTEM_SPEED);
 now_time = System.currentTimeMillis();
 long sleep_time = SYSTEM_SPEED + prev_time - now_time;
 if (sleep_time < 0)
 sleep_time = 1; /* yield anyway so other things can run */
 try {
 Thread.sleep(sleep_time);
 } catch (InterruptedException e) {
 ApplicationEnd ();
 }
 if (thread != thisThread) return;
 now_time = System.currentTimeMillis ();
 loop_rate = (now_time - prev_time) / SYSTEM_SPEED;
 if (loop_rate > 5.0f) { /* More than loop rate limit */
 loop_rate = 5.0f;
 }
 /* do game stuff here ... */
}
```

# Programming Tricks

Use per-object fog to highlight objects

Use black fog for night time

Draw large background objects last

Draw large foreground objects first

Divorce logic from representation

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# Why Mobile Game Development is Hard

Device Fragmentation

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Porting platforms and tools are available:

[www.tirawireless.com](http://www.tirawireless.com), [www.javaground.com](http://www.javaground.com)

Porting and testing services are available:

[www.tirawireless.com](http://www.tirawireless.com)

For some self-help using NetBeans see

[J2ME MIDP Device Fragmentation Tutorial with Marv The Miner](#)

# Why Mobile Game Development is Hard

Severe limits on application size

- Download size limits

- Small Heap memory

Small screens

Poor input devices

Poor quality sound

Slow system bus and memory system

# Why Mobile Game Development is Hard

No floating point hardware

No integer divide hardware

Many tasks other than application itself

- Incoming calls or mail

- Other applications

Short development period

Tight \$100k – 250k budget



# Memory

## Problems

Small application/download size

Small heap memory size

## Solutions

Compress data ①

Use single large file ①

Use separately downloadable levels ①

Limit contents ②

Optimize your Java: combine classes, coalesce var's, eliminate temporary & local variables, ... ②

# Performance

## Problems

Slow system bus & memory

No integer divide hardware

## Solutions

Use smaller textures ①

Use mipmapping ①

Use byte or short coordinates and key values ①

Use shifts ②

Let the compiler do it ②

# User-Friendly Operation

## Problems

- Button layouts differ

- Diagonal input may be impossible

- Multiple simultaneous button presses not recognized

## Solutions

- Plan carefully

- Different difficulty levels

- Same features on multiple buttons

- Key customize feature

# Many Other Tasks

## Problem

Incoming calls or mail

Other applications

## Solution

Create library for each handset terminal

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**Publishing your content**

# Publishing Your Content Agenda

## Publishing your content

Preparing contents for distribution

— Getting published and distributed

# Preparing for Distribution: Testing

## Testing on actual handsets essential

May need contract with operator to obtain tools needed to download test MIDlets to target handset.

May need contractor within operator's region to test over-the-air aspects as handset may not work in your area

## Testing services are available

e.g. [www.tirawireless.com](http://www.tirawireless.com)

# Preparing for Distribution: Signing

Java has 4 security domains:

Manufacturer

Operator

3<sup>rd</sup> Party

Untrusted

Most phones will not install untrusted MIDlets

If untrusted MIDlets are allowed, there will be limits  
on access to certain APIs

Operators will not allow untrusted MIDlets in  
their distribution channels



# Preparing for Distribution: Signing

Your MIDlet must be certified and signed using a 3<sup>rd</sup> party domain root certificate

Method varies by operator and country

Many makers and operators participate in the [Java Verified Program](#) to certify and sign MIDlets for them

To get certification, MIDlet must meet all criteria defined by JVP and must pass testing

# Publishing Your Content Agenda

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# Publishing Your Content: Distribution Channels

Game deck

e.g. “More Games button”

Off deck, in portal

e.g. AT&T Wireless’s *Beyond MEdia Net*

Off portal

Independent of operator

Premium SMS or web distribution

# Distribution Channels: Game Deck

Customers find you easily

but many carriers only allow a few words of text to describe and differentiate the on-deck games

Operator does billing

No credit worries

Operator may help with marketing

or they may not

Shelf space limited

# Distribution Channels: off Deck, in Portal

Hard to find you. Need viral marketing

Customers must enter search terms in operator's search box

or find URL in some other way

Operator does billing, may help with marketing

May be able to get here without a publisher

# Distribution Channels: off Deck, off Portal

Very hard for customers to find you

Only 4% of customers have managed to buy from the game deck!

You have to handle billing

Typical game prices of \$2 - \$6 too low for credit cards. Must offer subscription service for CC billing.

Nobody is going to enter your url then billing information on a 9-key pad and very few people will use a PC to buy games for their phone.

Premium SMS or advertiser funded are about the only ways.

You take all the risks

Some handsets/carriers do not permit off-portal downloads

# Publishing Your Content

## Billing Mechanisms

One-time purchase via micropayment

Flat-rate data? ➔ Larger, higher-cost games

Subscription model via micropayment

Episodic games to encourage loyalty

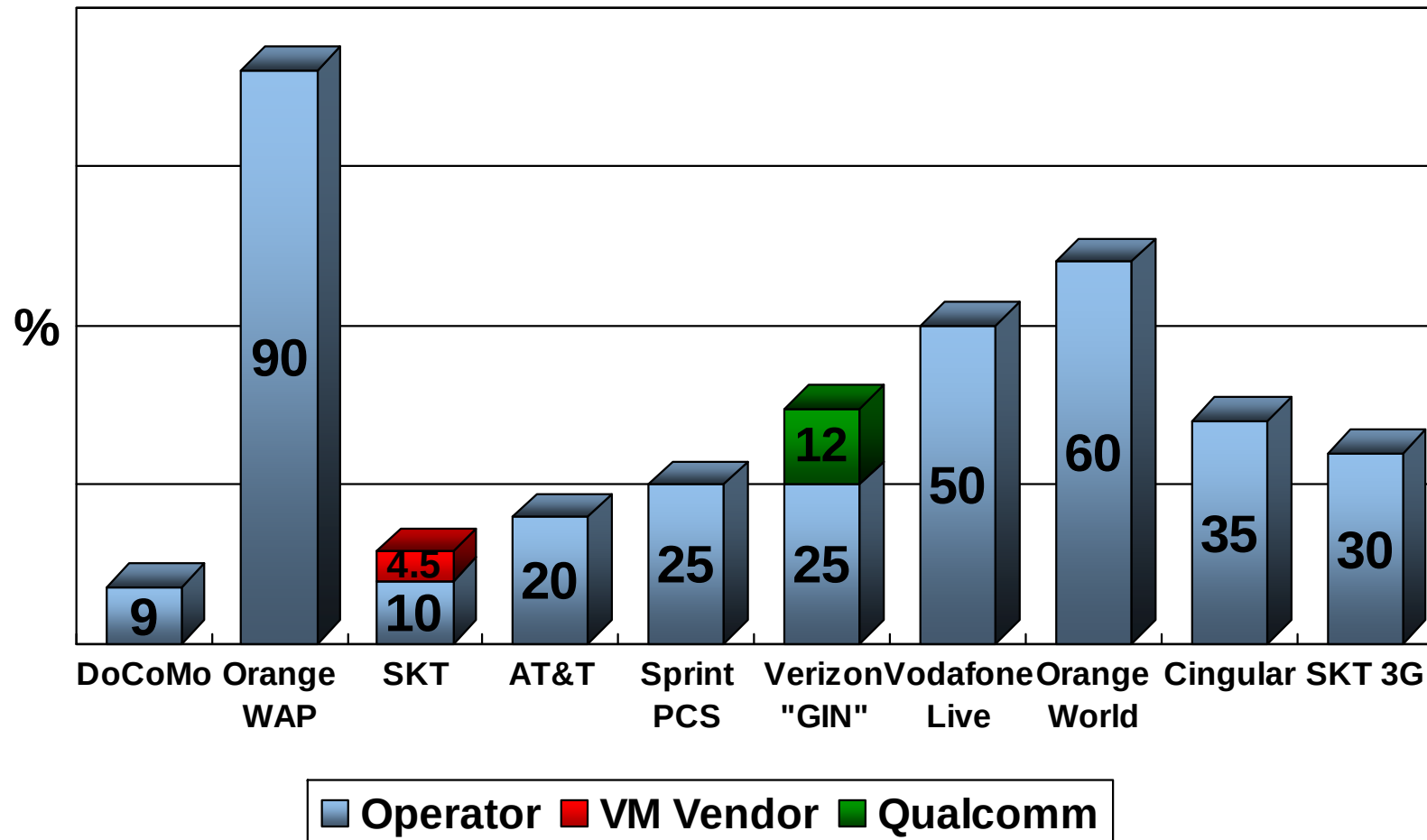
Game arcades with new games every month

Sending Premium SMS

Triggers initial download

Periodically refills scarce supplies

# Operator Revenue Share 1999 - 2004



Source: [www.roberttercek.com](http://www.roberttercek.com)



# Going On-Deck

Find a publisher and build a good relationship with them

**Japan:** Square Enix, Bandai Networks, Sega WOW, Namco, Infocom, etc.

**America:** Bandai America, Digital Chocolate, EA Mobile, MForma, Sorrent

Europe: Digital Chocolate, Superscape, Macrospace, Upstart Games

# Going Off-Deck

There are off-deck distribution services:

thumbplay, [www.thumbplay.com](http://www.thumbplay.com)

playphone, [www.playphone.com](http://www.playphone.com)

gamejump, [www.gamejump.com](http://www.gamejump.com) free advertiser supported games

These services may be a good way for an individual developer to get started

# Other 3D Java Mobile APIs

## Mascot Capsule Micro3D Family APIs

Motorola iDEN, Sony Ericsson, Sprint, etc.

`com.mascotcapsule.micro3d.v3` (V3)

## SoftBank MEXA & JSCL

`com.j_phone.amuse.j3d` (V2), `com.jblend.graphics.j3d` (V3)

## Vodafone Global

`com.vodafone.amuse.j3d` (V2)

## NTT Docomo (DoJa)

`com.nttdocomo.opt.ui.j3d` (DoJa2, DoJa 3) (V2, V3)

`com.nttdocomo.ui.graphics3D` (DoJa 4, DoJa 5) (V4)

(Vx) - Mascot Capsule Micro3D Version Number

# Mascot Capsule V3 Game Demo



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# Summary

Use standard tools to create assets

Many J2ME SDKs and IDEs are available

Basic M3G MIDlet is relatively easy

Programming 3D Games for mobile is hard

Getting your content marketed, distributed and sold is a huge challenge

# Exporters

## 3ds max

Simple built-in exporter since 7.0

[www.digi-element.com/Export184/](http://www.digi-element.com/Export184/)

[www.mascotcapsule.com](http://www.mascotcapsule.com)

[www.m3gexporter.com](http://www.m3gexporter.com)

## Maya

[www.mascotcapsule.com](http://www.mascotcapsule.com)

[www.m3gexport.com](http://www.m3gexport.com)

## Softimage|XSI

[www.mascotcapsule.com](http://www.mascotcapsule.com)

## Cinema 4D

[www.tetracon.de/public\\_main\\_modul.php?bm=&ses=&page\\_id=453&document\\_id=286&unit=441299c9be098](http://www.tetracon.de/public_main_modul.php?bm=&ses=&page_id=453&document_id=286&unit=441299c9be098)

## Lightwave

[www.mascotcapsule.com](http://www.mascotcapsule.com)

## Blender

[www.nelson-games.de/bl2m3g/](http://www.nelson-games.de/bl2m3g/)

## M3GToolkit

[www.java4ever.com](http://www.java4ever.com)

Not a typo

vapourware?

# SDKs

## Motorola iDEN J2ME SDK

[idenphones.motorola.com/iden/developer/developer\\_tools.jsp](http://idenphones.motorola.com/iden/developer/developer_tools.jsp)

## Nokia Series 40, Series 60 & J2ME

[www.forum.nokia.com/java](http://www.forum.nokia.com/java)

## Softbank MEXA & JSCL SDKs

[developers.softbankmobile.co.jp/dp/tool\\_dl/java/tech.php](http://developers.softbankmobile.co.jp/dp/tool_dl/java/tech.php)

[developers.softbankmobile.co.jp/dp/tool\\_dl/java/emu.php](http://developers.softbankmobile.co.jp/dp/tool_dl/java/emu.php)

# SDKs

Sony Ericsson

[developer.sonyericsson.com/java](http://developer.sonyericsson.com/java)

Sprint Wireless Toolkit for Java

[developer.sprintpcs.com](http://developer.sprintpcs.com)

Sun Java Wireless Toolkit 2.5.2 for CLDC

<http://java.sun.com/products/sjwtoolkit/index.html>

Vodafone VFX SDK

<http://innovation.vodafone.com>



# IDE's for Java Mobile

Eclipse Open Source IDE

[www.eclipse.org](http://www.eclipse.org) & [eclipseme.org](http://eclipseme.org)

JBuilder 2005 Developer

[www.borland.com/jbuilder/developer/index.html](http://www.borland.com/jbuilder/developer/index.html)

NetBeans

[www.netbeans.info/downloads/index.php](http://www.netbeans.info/downloads/index.php)

[www.netbeans.org/products/](http://www.netbeans.org/products/)

Comparison of IDE's for J2ME

[www.microjava.com/articles/J2ME\\_IDE\\_Comparison.pdf](http://www.microjava.com/articles/J2ME_IDE_Comparison.pdf)

# Other Tools

Macromedia Fireworks

[www.adobe.com/products/fireworks/](http://www.adobe.com/products/fireworks/)

Adobe Photoshop

[www.adobe.com/products/photoshop/main.html](http://www.adobe.com/products/photoshop/main.html)

Sony SoundForge

[www.sonymediasoftware.com/products/showproduct.asp?PID=961](http://www.sonymediasoftware.com/products/showproduct.asp?PID=961)

Steinberg Cubase

[www.steinberg.de/33\\_1.html](http://www.steinberg.de/33_1.html)

Yamaha SMAF Tools

[smaf-yamaha.com/](http://smaf-yamaha.com/)

# Other Tools

Java optimizer - Innaworks mBooster

[www.innaworks.com/mBooster.html](http://www.innaworks.com/mBooster.html)

Porting Platforms

[www.tirawireless.com](http://www.tirawireless.com)

[www.javaground.com](http://www.javaground.com)

# Services

MIDlet verification & signing

[www.javaverified.com](http://www.javaverified.com)

Porting & testing

[www.tirawireless.com](http://www.tirawireless.com)

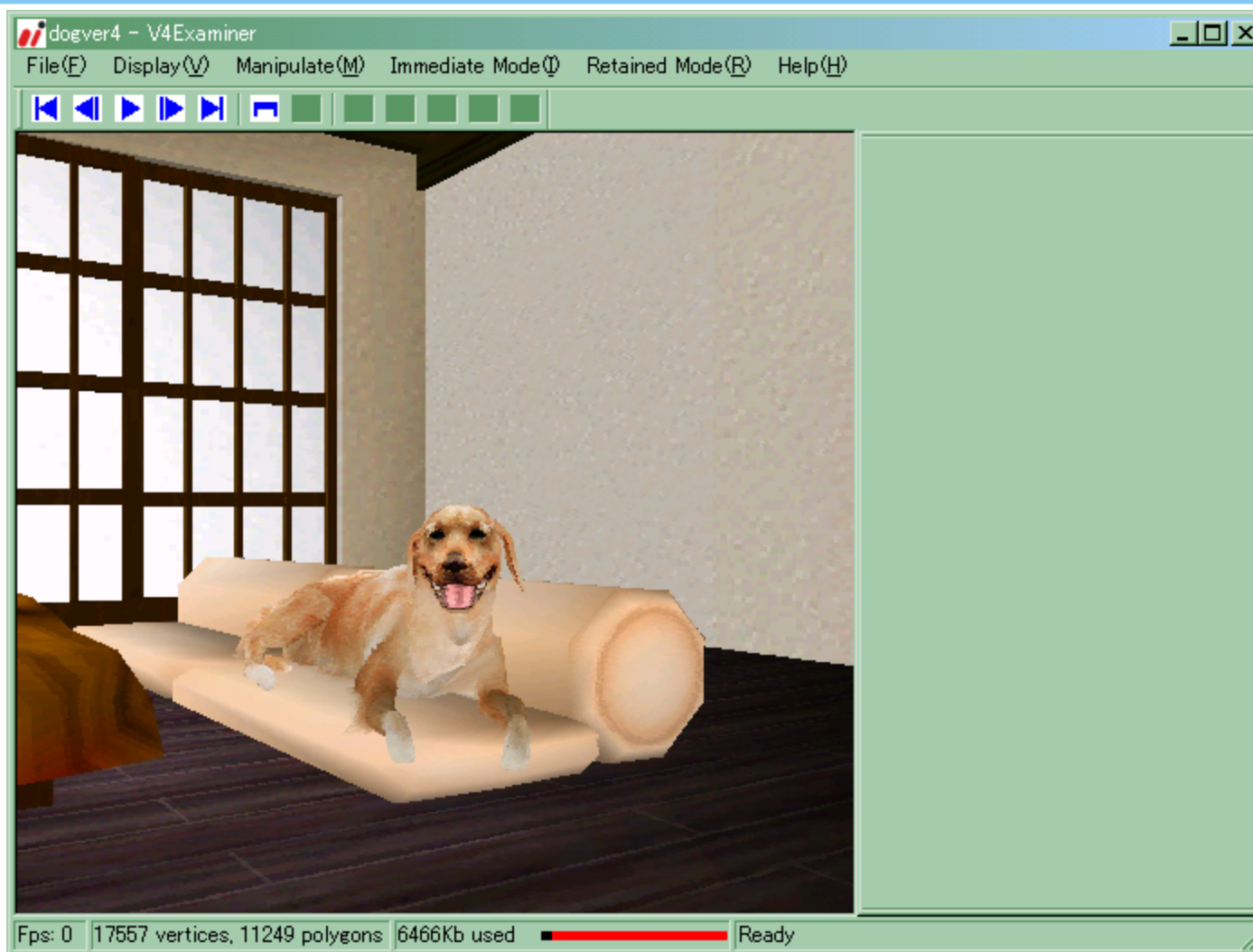
Off deck distribution

[www.thumbplay.com](http://www.thumbplay.com)

[www.playphone.com](http://www.playphone.com)

[www.gamejump.com](http://www.gamejump.com)

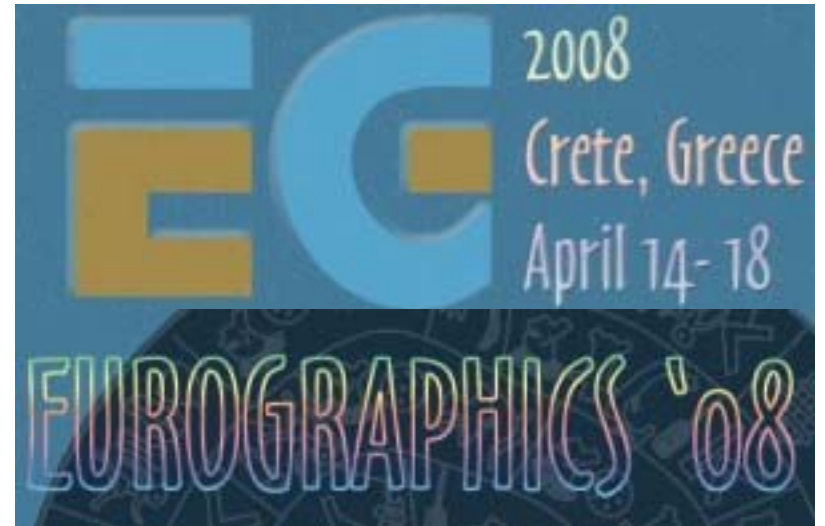
# 犬友 (Dear Dog) Demo





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# M3G 2.0 Preview



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Nokia Research Center

# What is M3G 2.0?

Mobile 3D Graphics API, version 2.0

Java Specification Request 297

Replaces M3G 1.1 (JSR 184)

Work in progress

Public Review Draft out soon ([www.jcp.org](http://www.jcp.org))

Feedback is much appreciated!



# Who's Behind It?

## Hardware vendors

AMD, ARM

NVIDIA, PowerVR

## Device makers

Nokia, Sony Ericsson

Motorola, Samsung

## Platform providers

Sun, Ericsson

HI, Aplx, Acrodea

## Developers

Digital Chocolate

RealNetworks

Glu Mobile

# M3G 2.0 Preview

## Design

Fixed functionality

Programmable shaders

New high-level features

Summary, Q&A

# Design Goals & Priorities

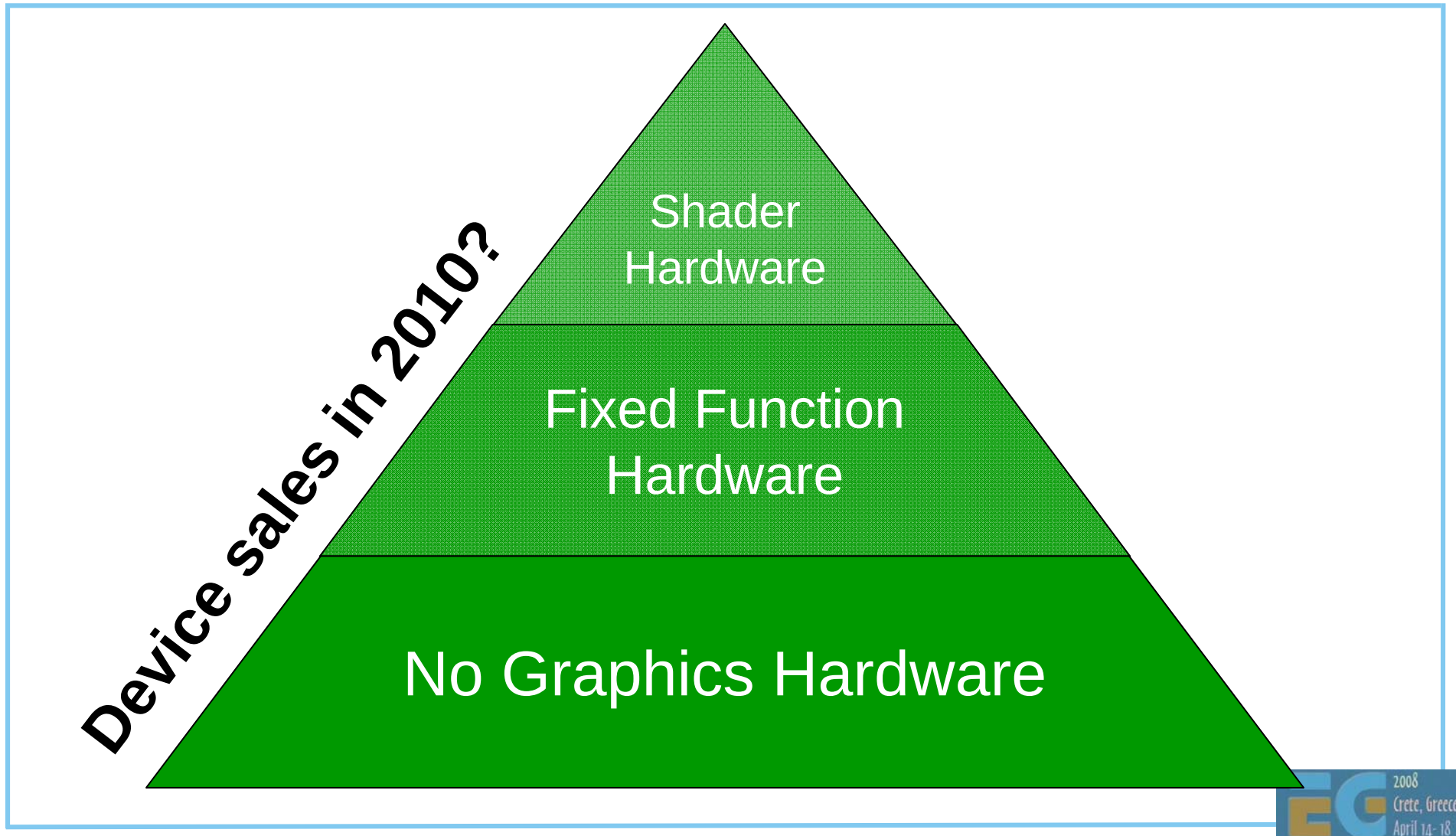
Target all devices

Programmable HW

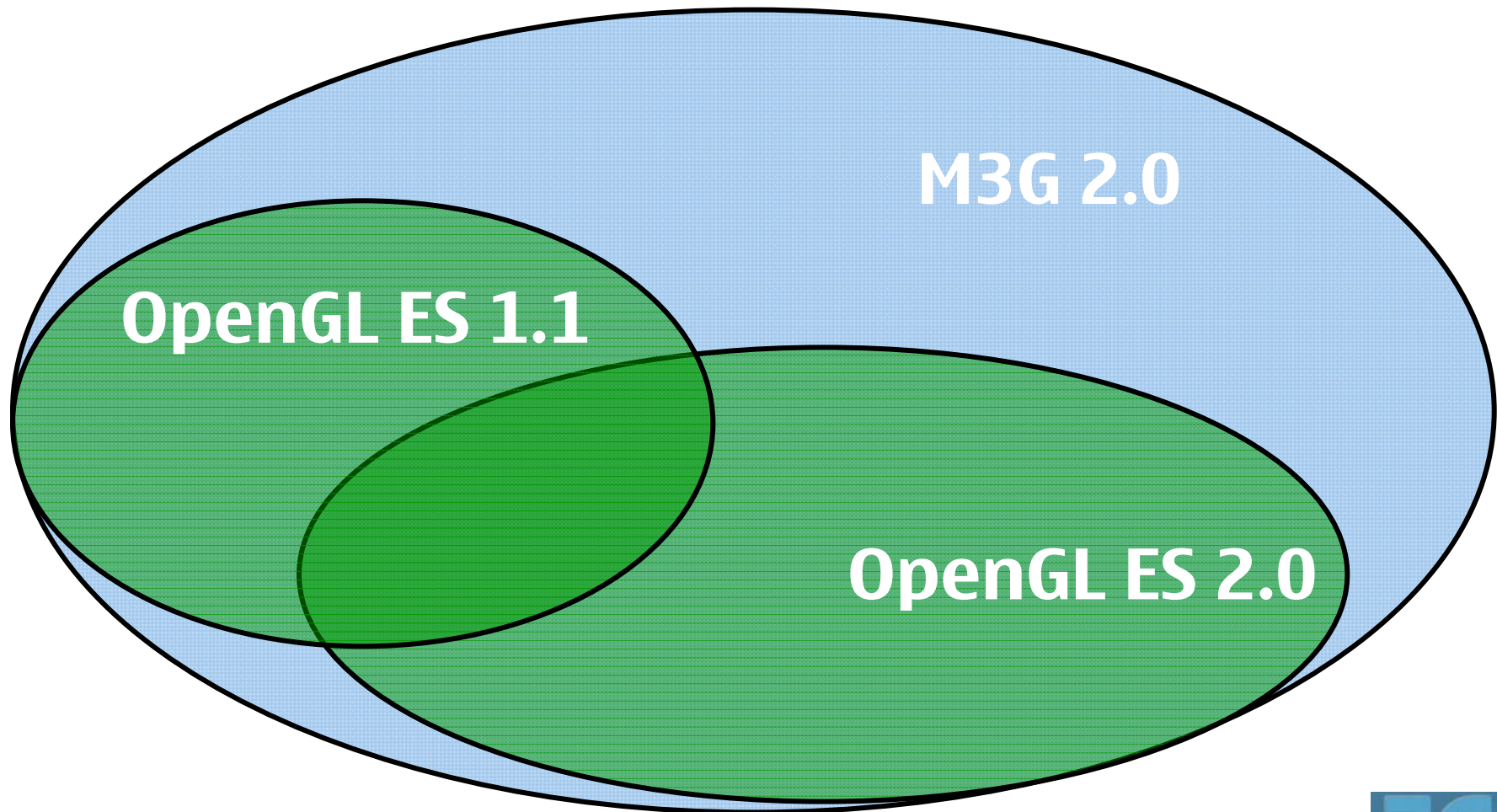
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Fixed-function HW

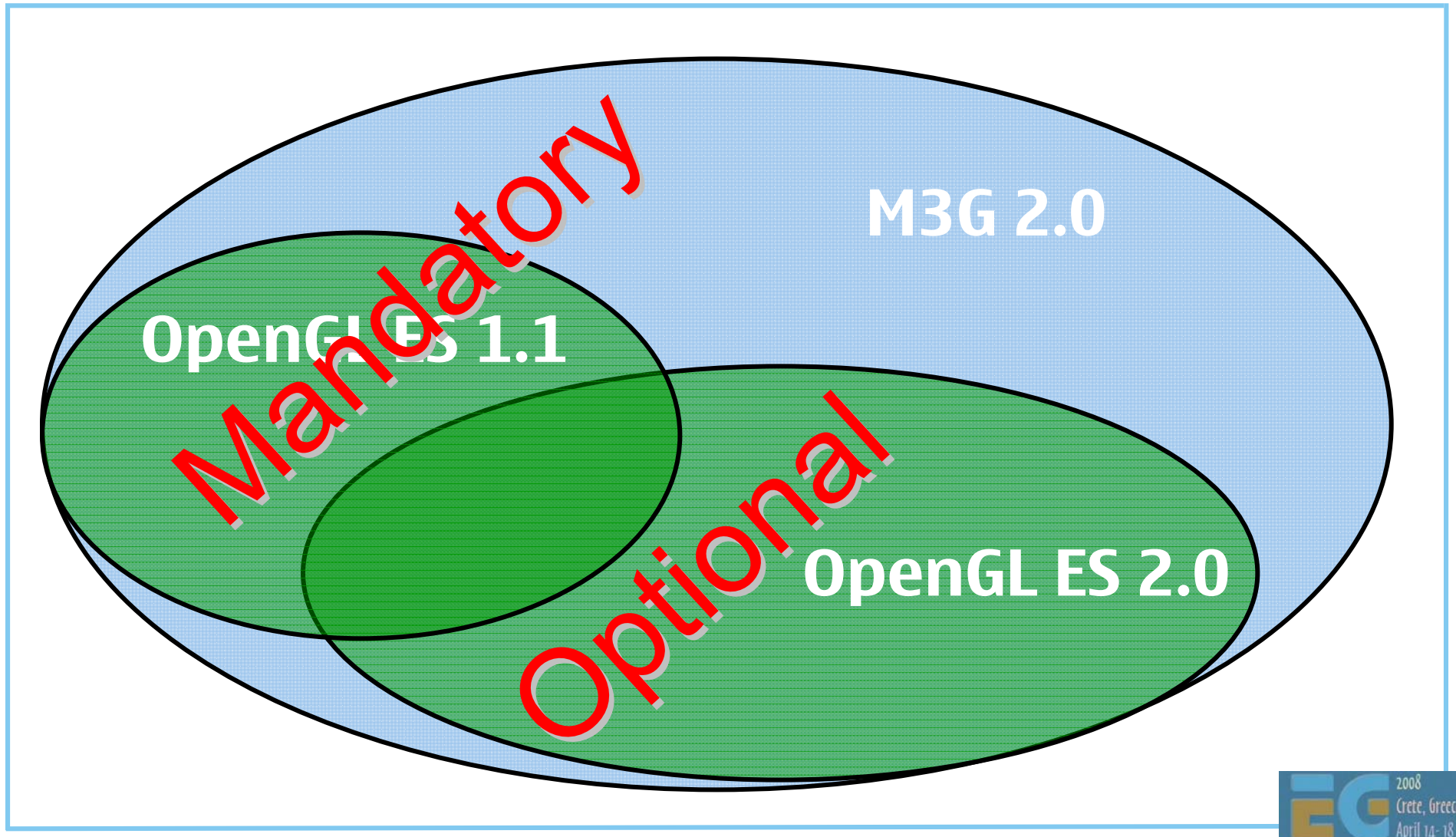
# Why Not Shaders Only?



# Shaders and Fixed Functionality



# Shaders and Fixed Functionality



# Design Goals & Priorities

Target all devices

Programmable HW

No graphics HW

Fixed-function HW

Enable reuse of

Assets & tools (.m3g)

Source code (.java)

Binary code (.class)



# Backwards Compatible – Why?

Device vendors can drop out M3G 1.1

Rather than supporting both versions (forever)

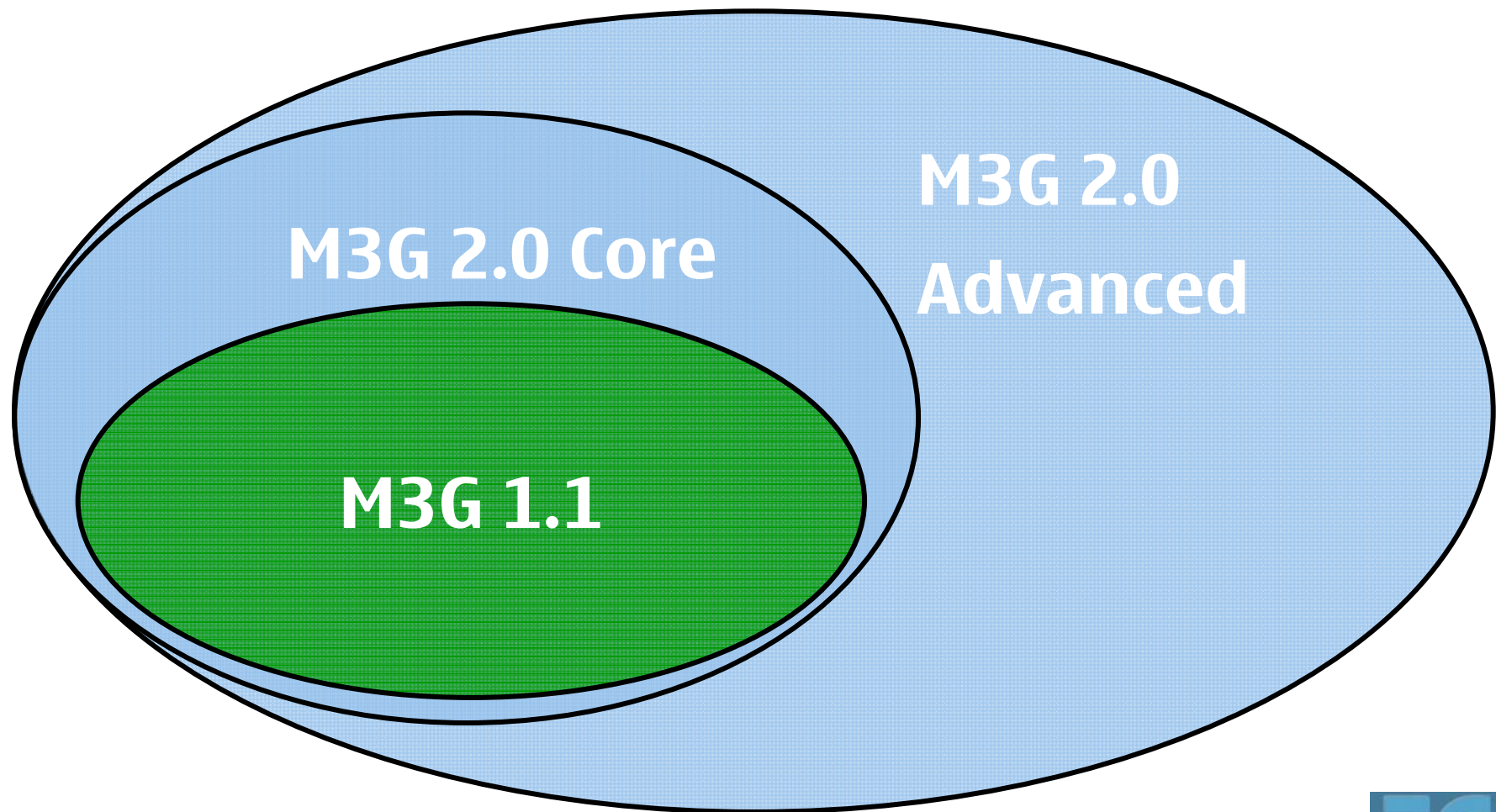
Cuts integration, testing & maintenance into  $\sim 1/2$

Developers can upgrade gradually

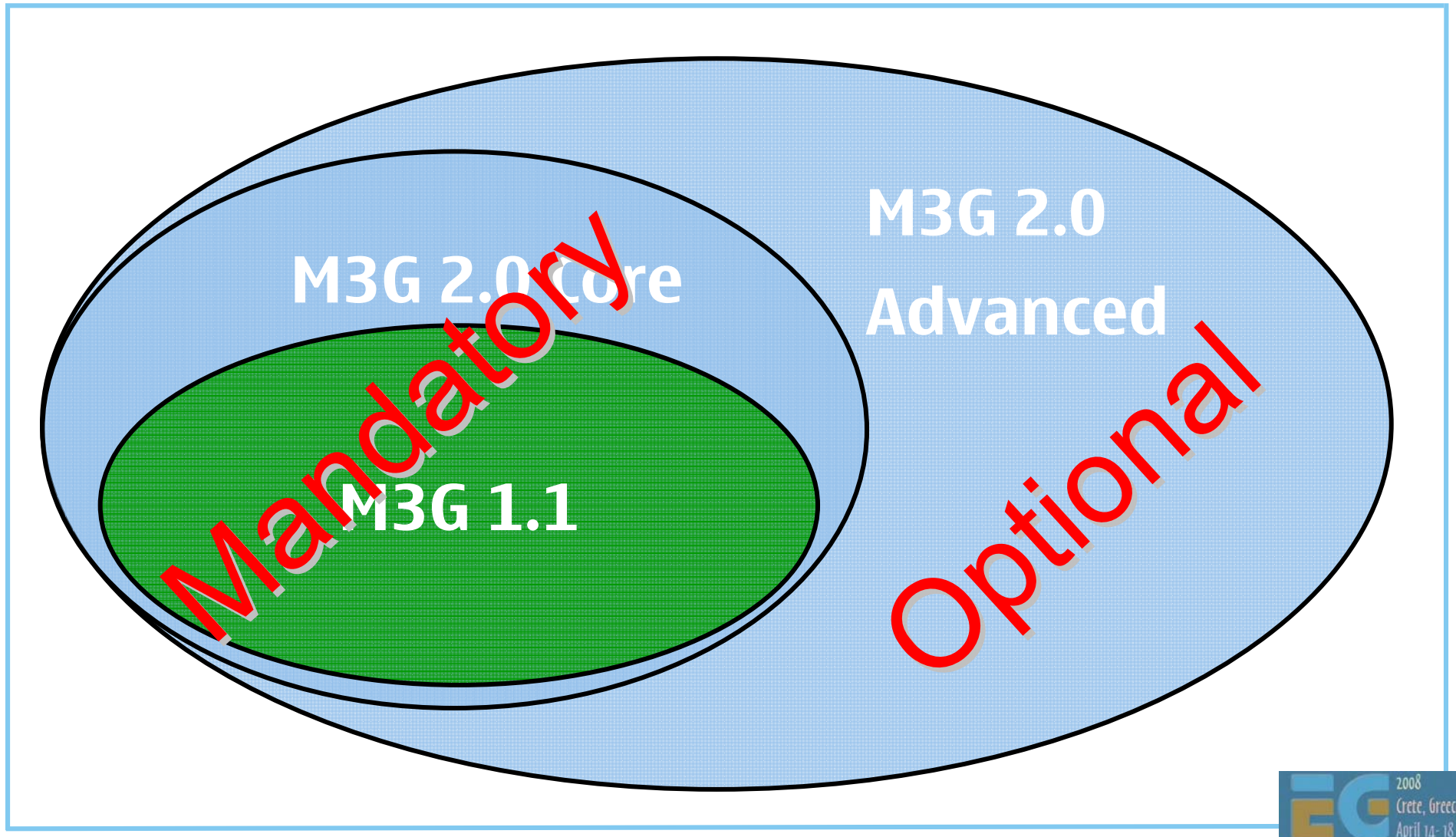
Rather than re-doing all code, art, and tools



# Backwards Compatible – How?



# Backwards Compatible – How?



# The Downsides

Must emulate fixed functionality w/ shaders

Extra implementation burden

Need to drag along obsolete features

Flat shading, Sprite3D, Background image, ...

The API has grown from 30 classes to 53

An equivalent pure shader API would have ~40

# Core vs. Advanced

High-level features are common to both

Scene graph

Animation

The differences are in rendering

Core → OpenGL ES 1.1

Advanced → OpenGL ES 2.0

# What's in the Core?

Everything that's in M3G 1.1

Everything that's in OpenGL ES 1.1

Except for useless or badly supported stuff

Such as points, logic ops, stencil, full blending

A whole bunch of new high-level features

# What's in the Advanced Block?

Everything that's in OpenGL ES 2.0

Vertex and fragment shaders

Cube maps, advanced blending

Stencil buffering

# What's not included?

## Optional extensions of OpenGL ES 2.0

Floating-point textures

Multiple render targets

Depth textures, 3D textures

Non-power-of-two mipmaps

Occlusion queries

Transform feedback

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# M3G 2.0 Core vs. M3G 1.1

New capabilities

Better and faster rendering

More convenient to use

Fewer optional features

# Point Sprites

Good for particle effects  
Much faster than quads  
Consume less memory  
Easier to set up

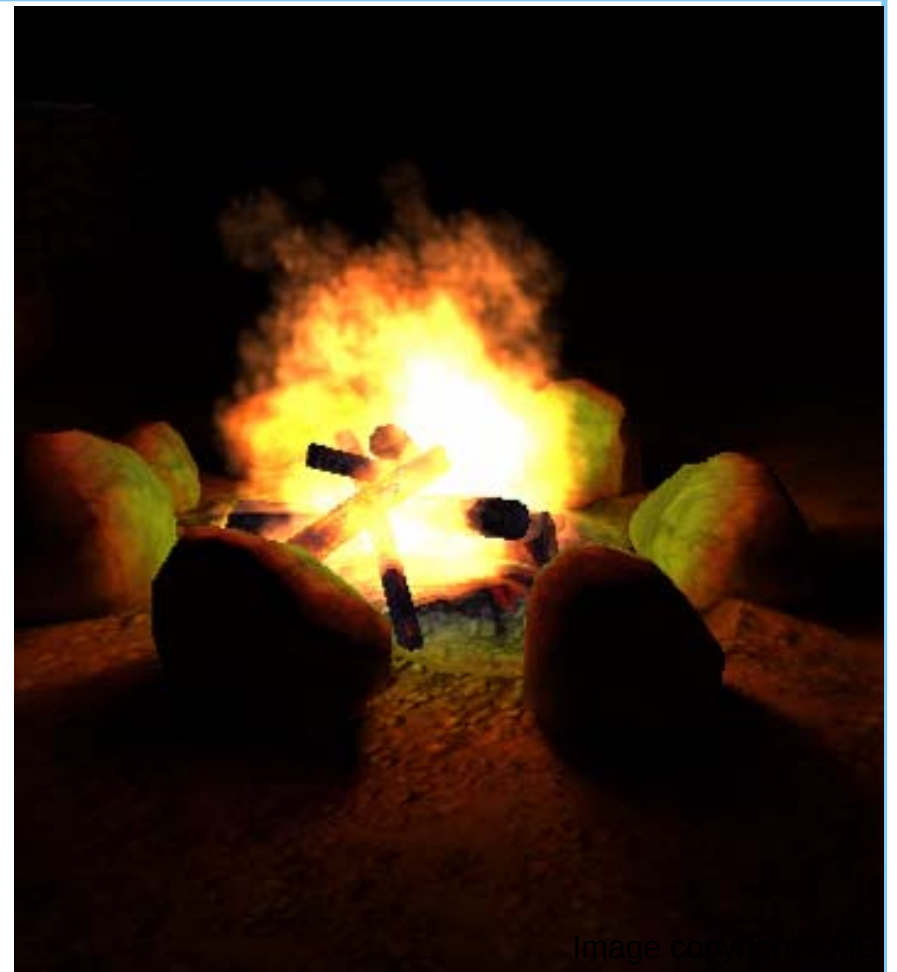


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# Better Texturing

## More flexible input

- JPEG, ETC (Ericsson Texture Compression)

- RGB565, RGBA5551, RGBA4444

- Can set & render to individual mipmap levels

- Dynamic sources (e.g. video)

## Upgraded baseline requirements

- At least two texture units

- Arbitrary sizes up to at least 1024x1024

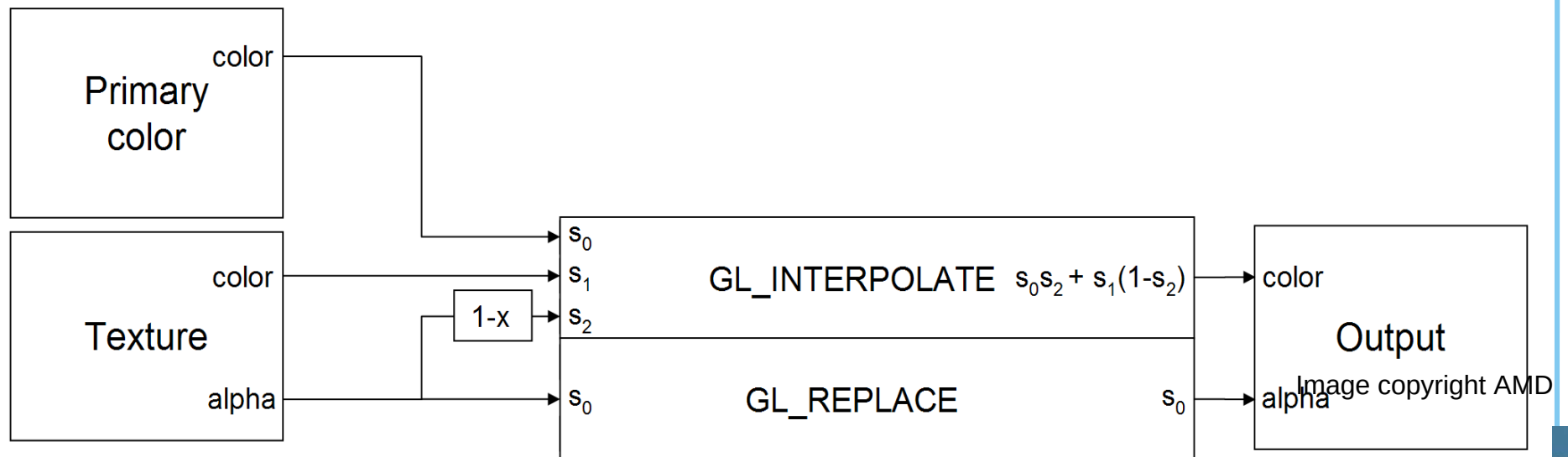
- Perspective correction, mipmapping, bilinear filtering

# Texture Combiners

Precursor to fragment shaders

Quite flexible, but not very easy to use

Should be generated in the authoring tool chain



# Bump Mapping

Fake geometric detail  
Feasible even w/o HW

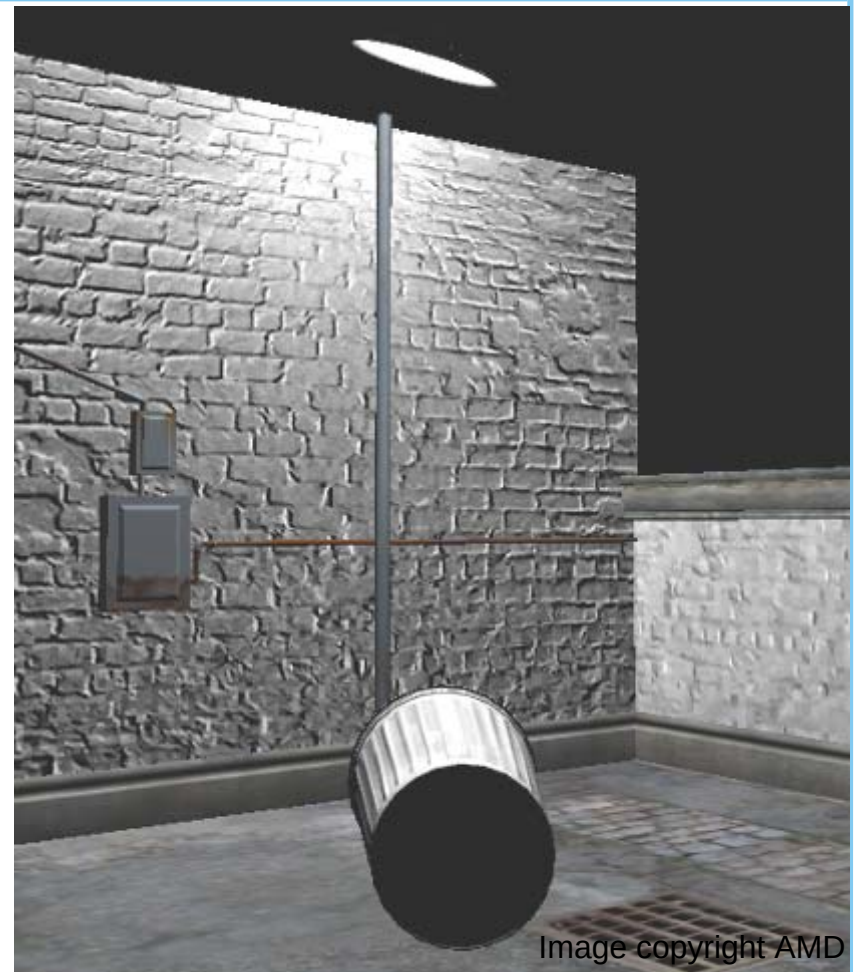


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# Bump Mapping + Light Mapping

Bump map modulated  
by projective light map



# Floating-Point Vertex Arrays

## **float (32-bit)**

Easy to use, good for prototyping

Viable with hardware acceleration

## **half (16-bit)**

Savings in file size, memory, bandwidth

**byte/short** still likely to be faster

# Triangle Lists

Much easier to set up than strips

Good for procedural mesh generation

Avoids the expensive stripification

Sometimes even smaller & faster than strips

Especially with a cache-friendly triangle ordering



# Primitives – M3G 1.x

|               | Byte | Short | Implicit | Strip | Fan | List |
|---------------|------|-------|----------|-------|-----|------|
| Triangles     | ✓    | ✓     | ✓        | ✓     | ✗   | ✗    |
| Lines         | ✗    | ✗     | ✗        | ✗     | ✗   | ✗    |
| Points        | ✗    | ✗     | ✗        |       |     | ✗    |
| Point sprites | ✗    | ✗     | ✗        |       |     | ✗    |

Relative to OpenGL ES 1.1

# Primitives – M3G 2.0

|               | Byte | Short | Implicit | Strip | Fan | List |
|---------------|------|-------|----------|-------|-----|------|
| Triangles     | ✓    | ✓     | ✓        | ✓     | ✗   | ✓    |
| Lines         | ✓    | ✓     | ✓        | ✓     | ✗   | ✓    |
| Points        | ✗    | ✗     | ✗        |       |     | ✗    |
| Point sprites | ✓    | ✓     | ✓        |       |     | ✓    |

Relative to OpenGL ES 1.1

# VertexBuffer Types – M3G 1.x

|            | Byte | Short | Fixed | Float | 2D | 3D | 4D |
|------------|------|-------|-------|-------|----|----|----|
| Vertices   | ✓    | ✓     | ✗     | ✗     | ✗  | ✓  | ✗  |
| TexCoords  | ✓    | ✓     | ✗     | ✗     | ✓  | ✓  | ✗  |
| Normals    | ✓    | ✓     | ✗     | ✗     |    | ✓  |    |
| Colors     | ✓    |       | ✗     | ✗     |    | *  | ✓  |
| PointSizes |      |       | ✗     | ✗     |    |    |    |

\* OpenGL ES 1.1 only supports RGBA colors. M3G also supports RGB

# VertexBuffer Types – M3G 2.0

|            | Byte | Short | Fixed | Float<br>Half | 2D | 3D | 4D |
|------------|------|-------|-------|---------------|----|----|----|
| Vertices   | ✓    | ✓     | ✓     | ✓             | ✓  | ✓  | ✓  |
| TexCoords  | ✓    | ✓     | ✓     | ✓             | ✓  | ✓  | ✓  |
| Normals    | ✓    | ✓     | ✓     | ✓             |    | ✓  |    |
| Colors     | ✓    |       | ✓     | ✓             |    | *  | ✓  |
| PointSizes |      |       | ✓     | ✓             |    |    |    |

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# Deprecated Features

Background image

Use a sky box instead

Sprite3D

Use textured quads or point sprites instead

Flat shading

Can't have this on OpenGL ES 2.0!

# Deprecated Features Cont'd

## Two-sided lighting

Requires duplicated geometry on OpenGL ES 2.0

## Local camera lighting (a.k.a. local viewer)

Only a hint that was poorly supported

## Less accurate picking

Skinning and morphing not taken into account

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# Shading Language

GLSL ES v1.00

Source code format only

Binary shaders would break the Java sandbox

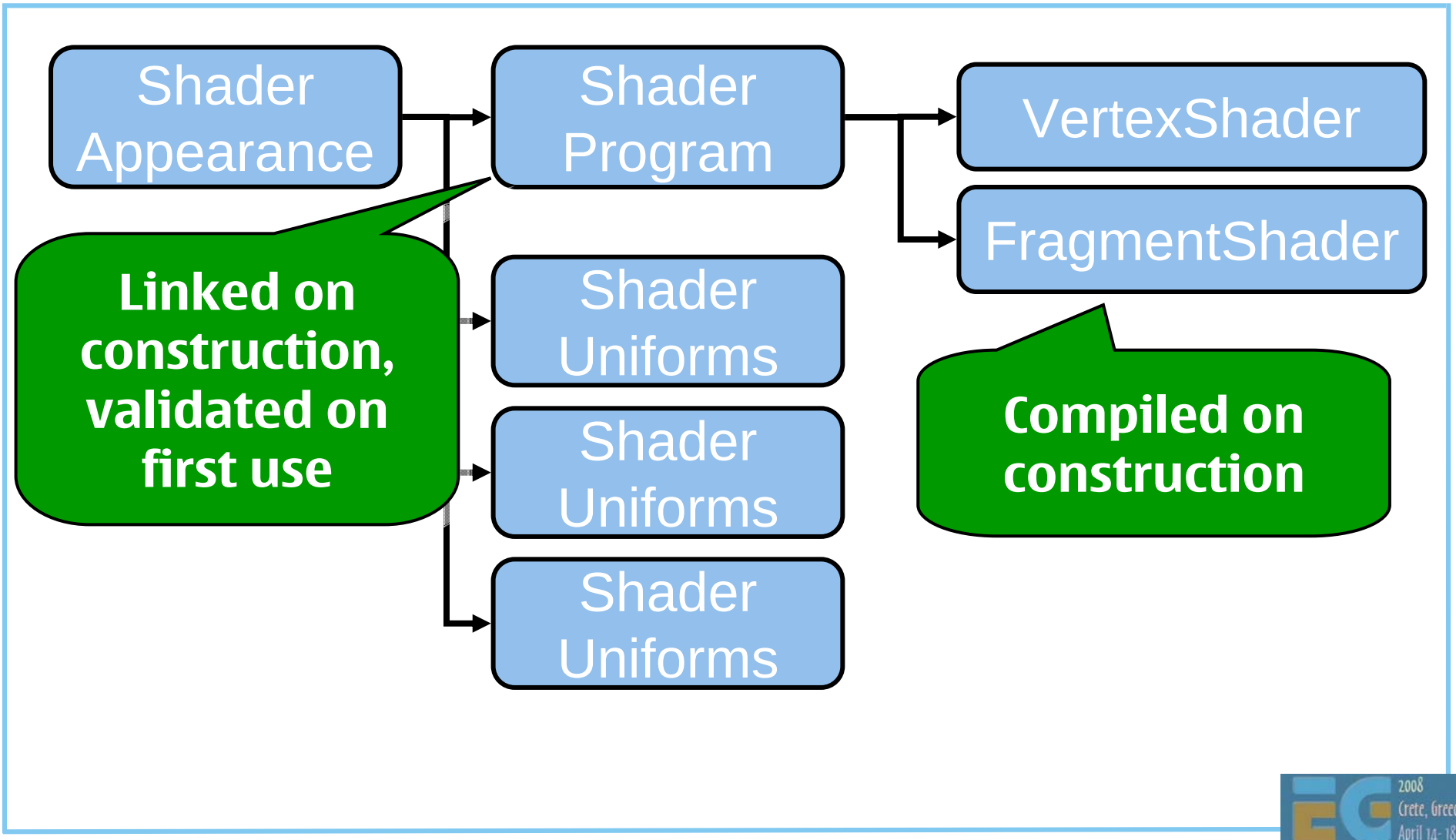
Added a few preprocessor `#pragma`'s

To enable skinning, morphing, etc.

Apply for vertex shaders only



# The Shader Package



# Why Multiple ShaderUniforms?

So that uniforms can be grouped

Global constants – e.g. look-up tables

Per-mesh constants – e.g. rustiness

Per-frame constants – e.g. time of day

Dynamic variables – e.g. position, orientation

Potential benefits of grouping

Java object reuse – less memory, less garbage

Can be faster to bind a group of variables to GL

# A Fixed-Function Vertex Shader

A small example shader

Replicates the fixed-function pipeline using the predefined `#pragma`'s

# Necessary Declarations

Names & roles for  
vertex attributes

```
#pragma M3Gvertex(myVertex)
#pragma M3Gnormal(myNormal)
#pragma M3Gtexcoord0(myTexCoord0)
#pragma M3Gcolor(myColor)
```

Transform all the  
way to clip space

```
#pragma M3Gvertexstage(clipstage)
```

```
varying vec2 texcoord0;
varying vec4 color;
```

Variables to pass to  
the fragment shader

# The Shader Code

**Applies morphing,  
scale/bias, skinning,  
model-view, projection**

```
void main() {
 m3g_ffunction();
 gl_Position = myVertex;
 texcoord0 = myTexCoord0.xy;
 color = myColor;
}
```

**Results passed to the  
fragment shader**

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# RenderPass

## Automated render-to-texture (RTT)

First set up RenderTarget, World, Camera

Call `myWorld.preRender()`, e.g. every *N*th frame

This updates all dynamic textures in the scene

Finally, render the World as usual

## RTT effects can now be authored in DCC tools

Advanced FX without programmer intervention

Reflection, refraction, HDR bloom, etc.

# Transparency Sorting

Can sort blended meshes back-to-front

Toggled on/off per Appearance and layer

Based on the Mesh origin's depth in eye space

Depth = MODELVIEW\_MATRIX(3, 4)

Individual triangles are not sorted



# Level of Detail (LOD)

A Group node can select one of its children

Based on their estimated size in screen pixels

Similar to mipmap level selection

Formally

Compute LOD scale  $s$  (in pixels per model-space unit)

Select the child  $i$  whose resolution  $r_i$  satisfies

$$\max\{r_i \mid r_i \leq s\}$$

# Level of Detail (LOD)

Can have a different type of model at each level

SkinnedMesh with 30 bones and 1000 vertices

SkinnedMesh with 15 bones and 300 vertices

MorphingMesh with 3 targets and 100 vertices

Billboard with flip-book animation

Appearance detail can be scaled, too

E.g. from complex shaders to per-vertex colors

# Combined Morphing & Skinning

First morph, then skin the result

Useful for animated characters

Morph targets for facial animation

Skinning for the rest of the body

Can morph and/or skin any vertex attribute

Use the result in your own vertex shader

```
#pragma M3Gvertexstage(skinned)
```

# Subset Morphing

Can morph an arbitrary subset of vertices

Previously, the whole mesh was morphed

Now the morph targets can be much smaller

Big memory savings in e.g. facial animation

# Multichannel Keyframe Sequences

$N$  channels per KeyframeSequence

Same number of keyframes in all channels

Shared interpolation mode

Shared time stamps

Huge memory savings with skinning

M3G 1.1: two Java objects per bone (~60 / mesh)

M3G 2.0: two Java objects per mesh

# Bounding Volumes (BV)

Speed up view frustum culling & collisions

Processed hierarchically to cull entire branches

Can be specified for each node

Bounding sphere = center & radius

Bounding box (AABB) = min & max extents

If both are given, test the sphere first

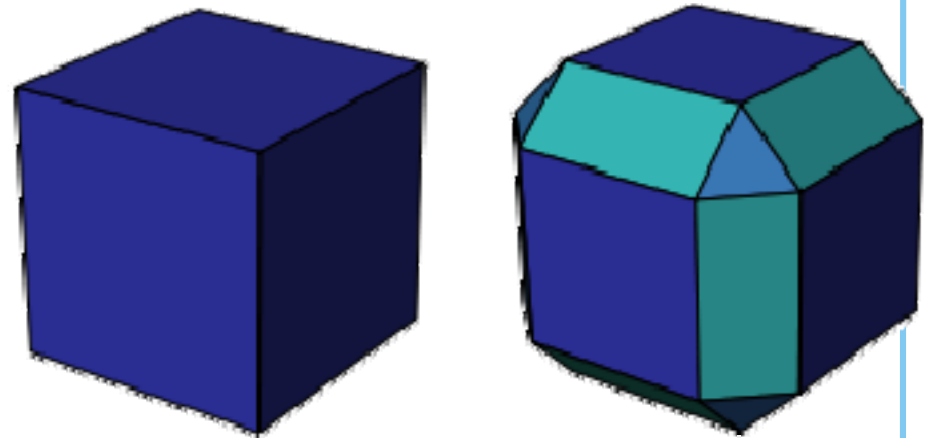
If neither is given, use an internal BV

# Collision Detection

Based on collision volumes – not triangles

k-DOP = AABB with corners & edges chopped off

`world.collide(...)` to find all k-DOP collisions in the scene



# Other Stuff

Event tracks associated with animations

E.g. play a sound when a foot hits the ground

Lots of new convenience methods

`findAll(Class)` – find e.g. all Appearances

Can enable/disable animations hierarchically

Can use quaternions instead of axis/angle

Easy pixel-exact 2D projection for overlays

Easy look-at orientation for camera control

Predefined, intuitive blending modes



# File Format

Updated to match the new API

File structure remains the same

Same parser can handle both old & new

Better compression for

Textures (ETC, JPEG)

SkinnedMesh, IndexBuffer

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# Summary

M3G 2.0 will replace 1.1, starting next year

Existing code & assets will continue to work

## Several key improvements

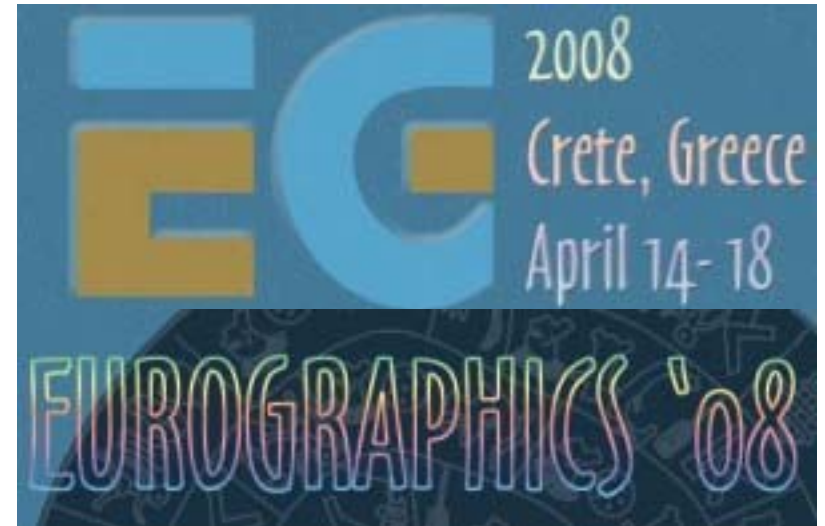
Programmable shaders to the mass market

Fully featured traditional rendering pipeline

Advanced animation and scene management

Better perf across all device categories

## Q&A



## Thanks:

M3G 2.0 Expert Group

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Kimmo Roimela (Nokia)

# Closing & Summary

We have covered

OpenGL ES

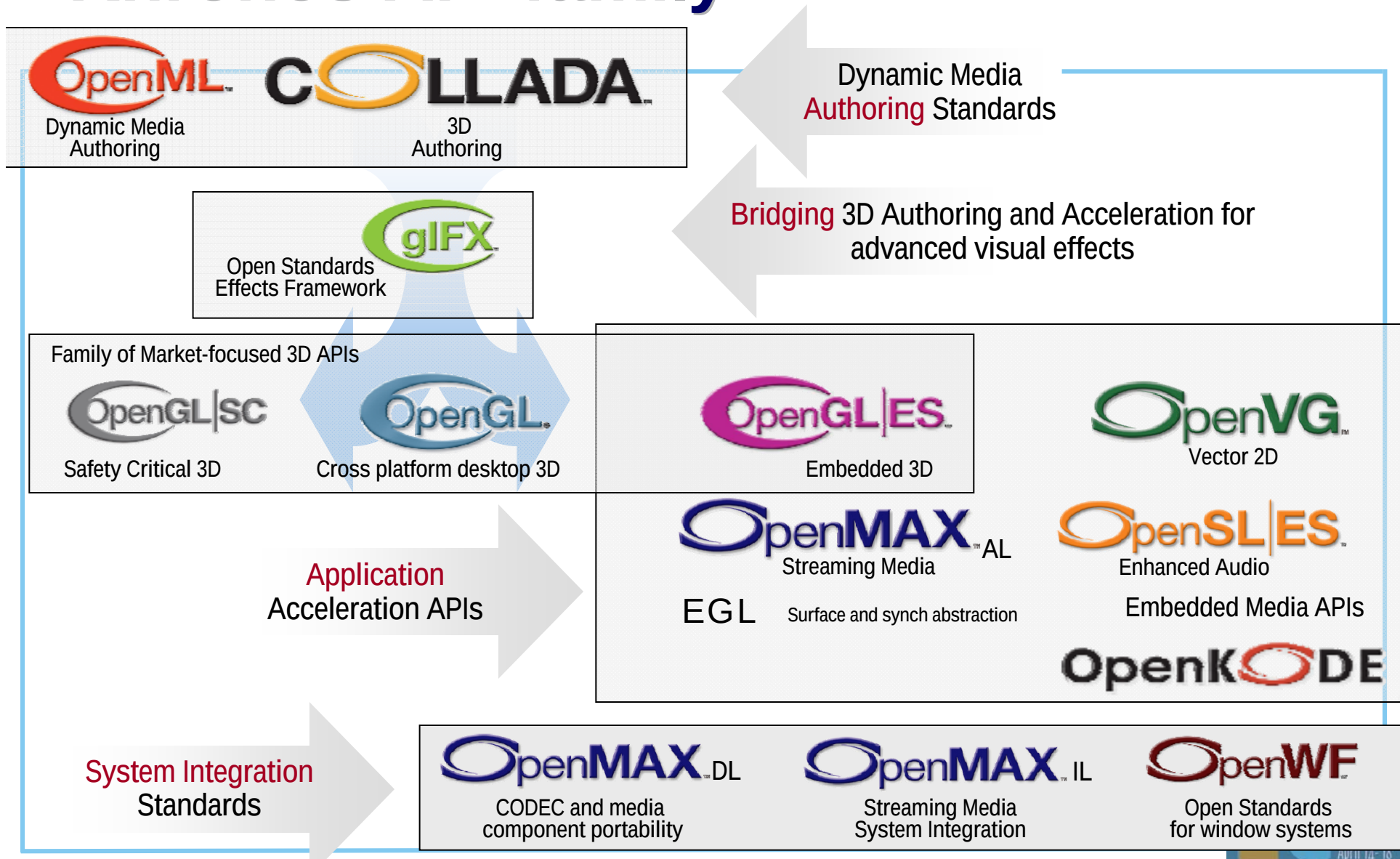
M3G

Let's quickly see what else is there

COLLADA

2D APIs: OpenVG, JSR 226, JSR 287

# Khronos API family



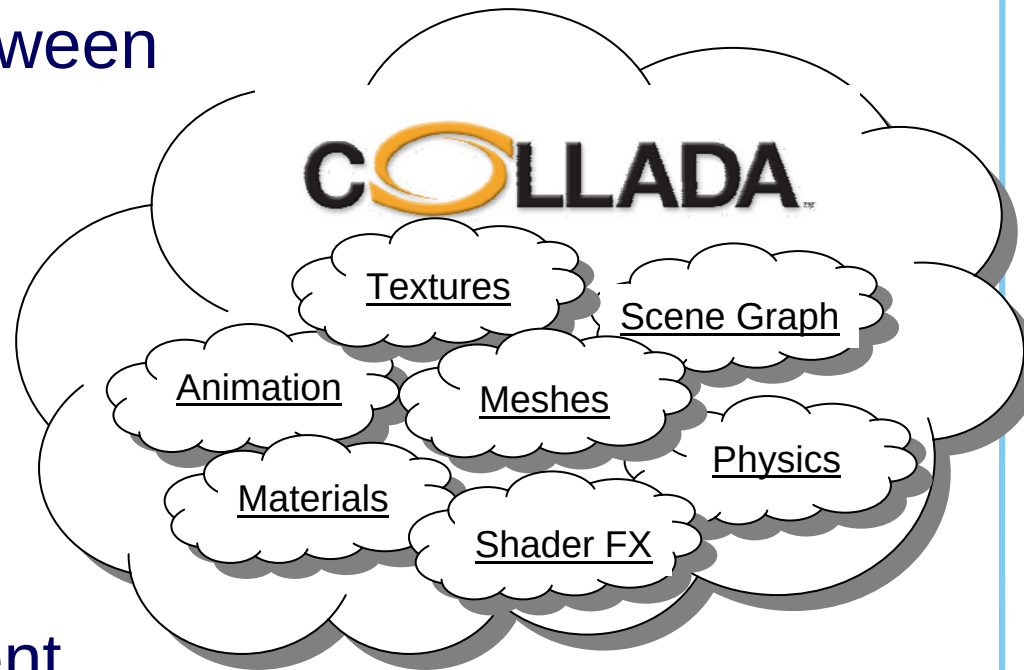


## An open interchange format

to exchange data between  
content tools

allows mixing and  
matching tools for  
the same project

allows using desktop  
tools for mobile content

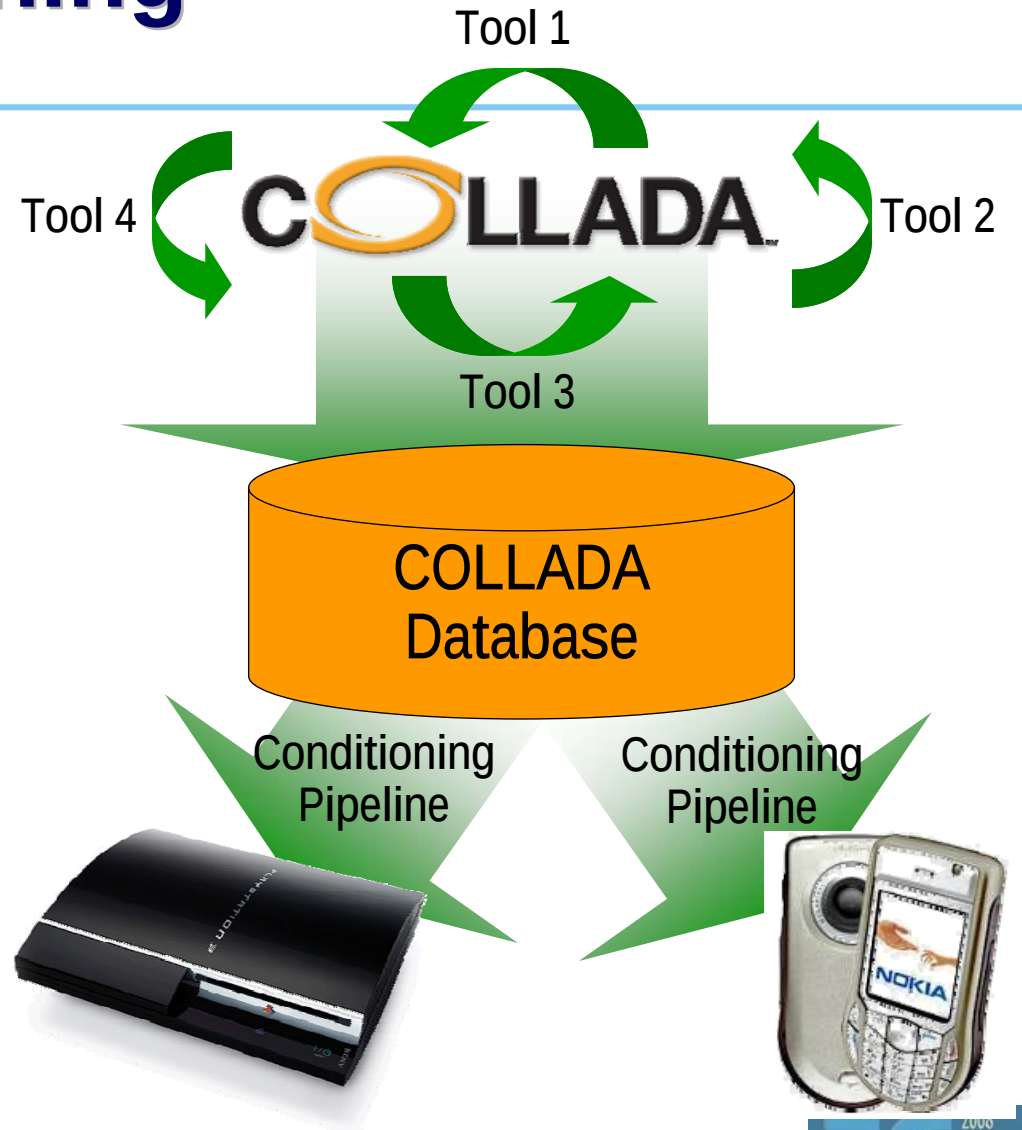


# Collada conditioning

Conditioning pipelines take authored assets and:

1. Strips out authoring-only information
2. Re-sizes to suit the target platform
3. Compresses and formats binary data for the target platform

Different target platforms can use the same asset database with the appropriate conditioning pipeline





# 2D Vector Graphics

## OpenVG

- low-level API, HW acceleration

- spec draft at SIGGRAPH 05, conformance tests summer 06

## JSR 226: 2D vector graphics for Java

- SVG-Tiny compatible features

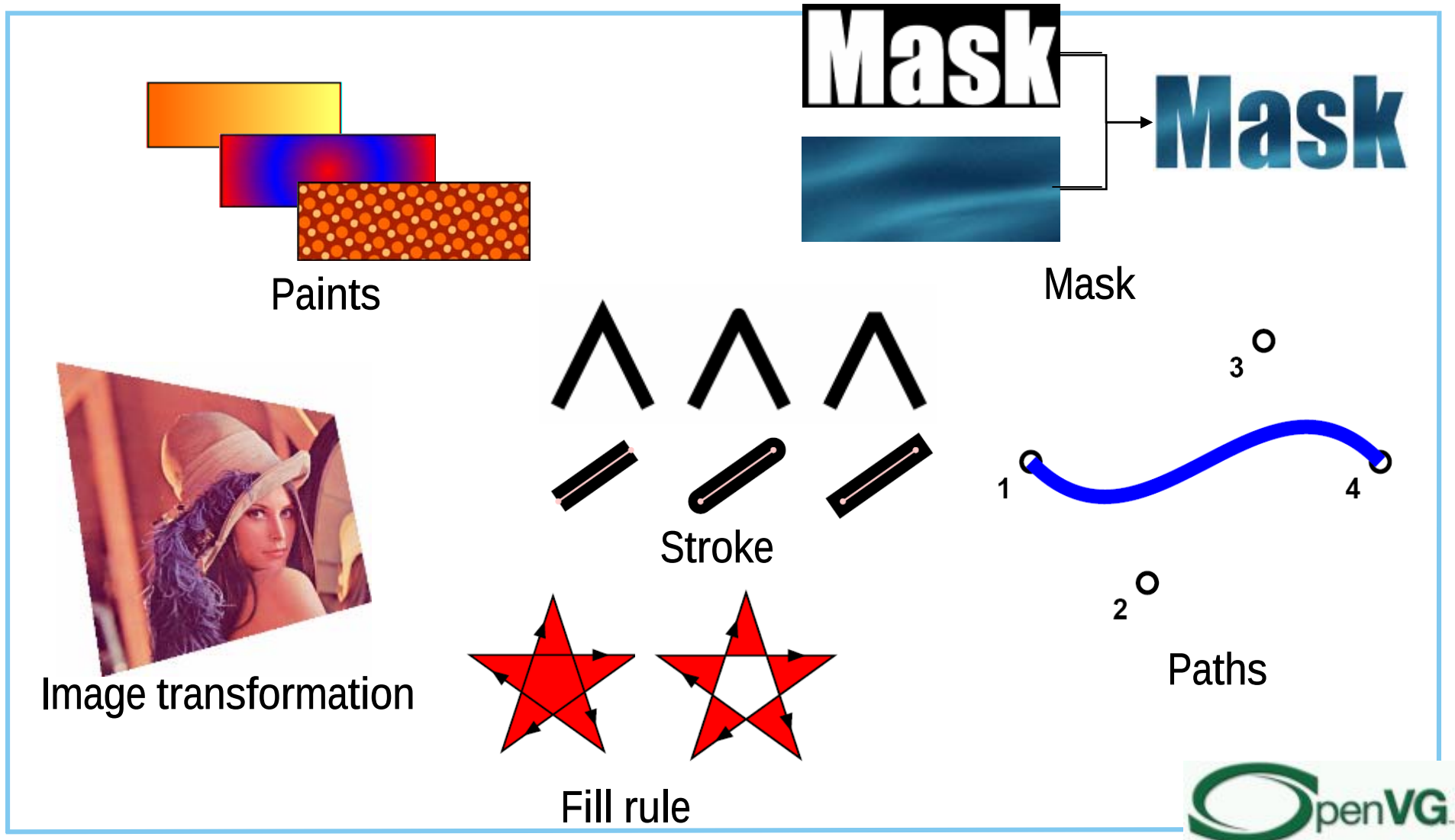
- completed Mar 05

## JSR 287: 2D vector graphics for Java 2.0

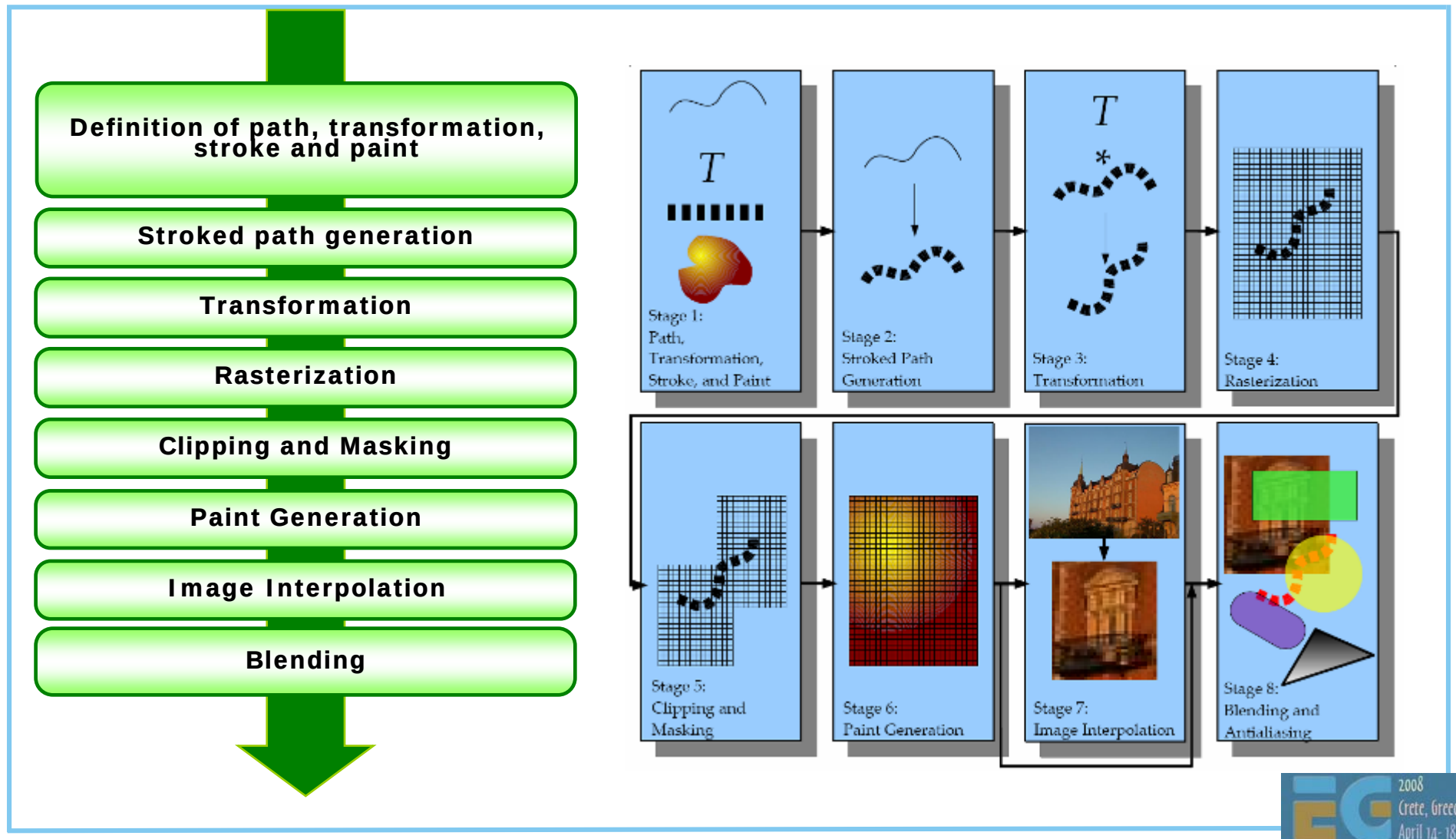
- rich media (audio, video) support, streaming

- may still complete in 07

# OpenVG features



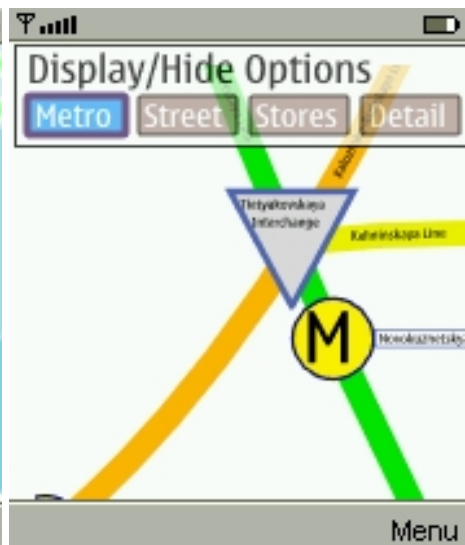
# OpenVG pipeline



# JSR-226 examples



Game, with skins



Scalable maps,  
variable detail



Cartoon



Weather info

# Combining various APIs

It's not trivial to efficiently combine use of various multimedia APIs in a single application

EGL is evolving towards simultaneous support of several APIs

OpenGL ES and OpenVG now  
all Khronos APIs later

# OpenGL ES and OpenVG

OpenGL ES  
Accurately represents  
PERSPECTIVE and  
LIGHTING



OpenVG  
Accurately represents  
SHAPE and  
COLOR



OpenVG ideal for advanced compositing user interfaces  
OpenGL ES for powerful 3D UI effects

# Summary

Handheld devices are viable 3D platforms

OpenGL ES, M3G, COLLADA

2D vector graphics is also available

JSR 226, Flash, OpenVG, JSR 287

Download the SDKs

and start coding on the smallest (physical size) yet  
largest (number of units) platform