

# VGP351 – Week 2

## ⇒ Agenda:

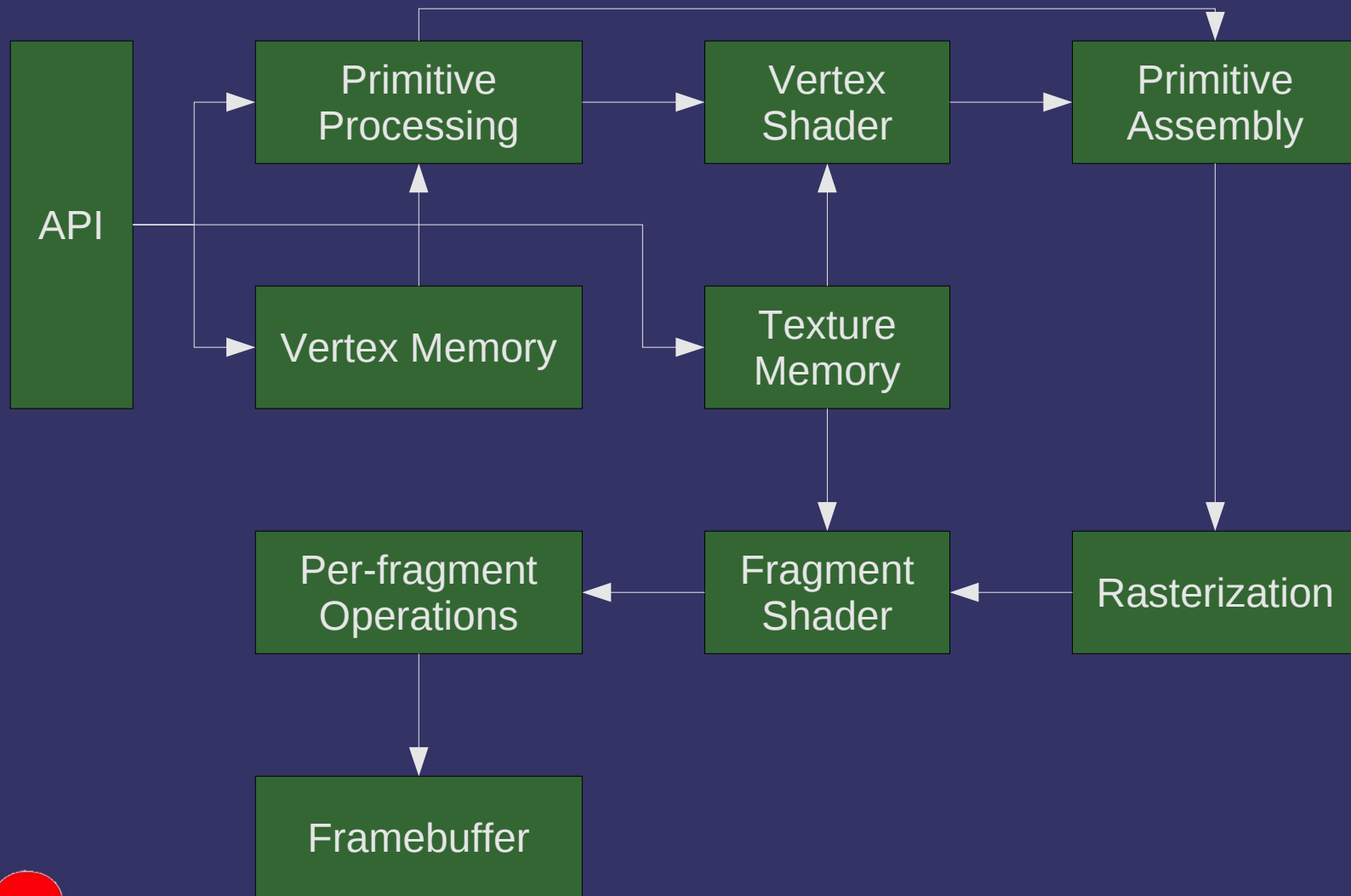
- Getting data to the GPU
- Types of primitives
- Transformations
  - Modeling
  - Viewing
  - Projection



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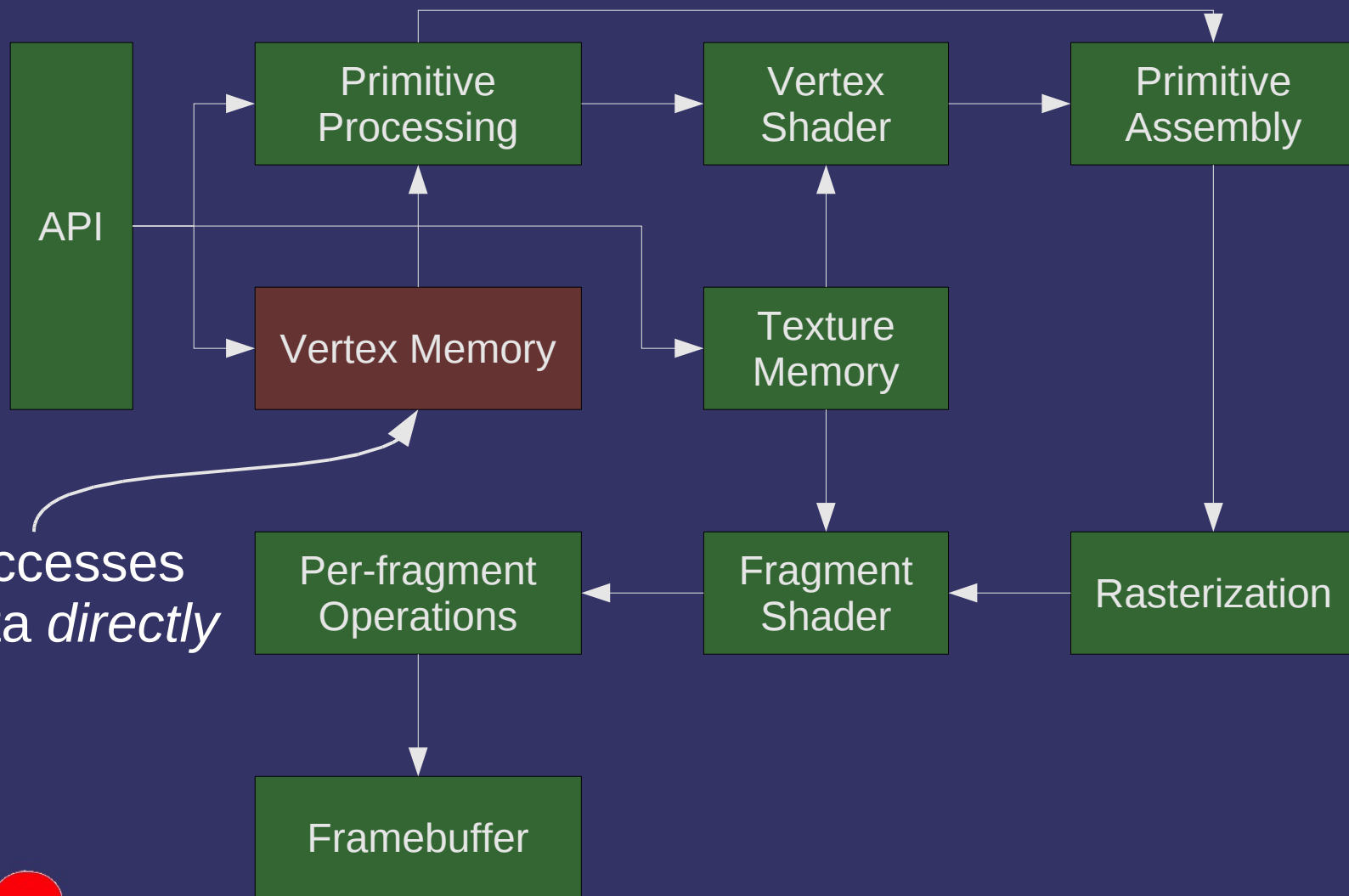
# Graphics Pipeline



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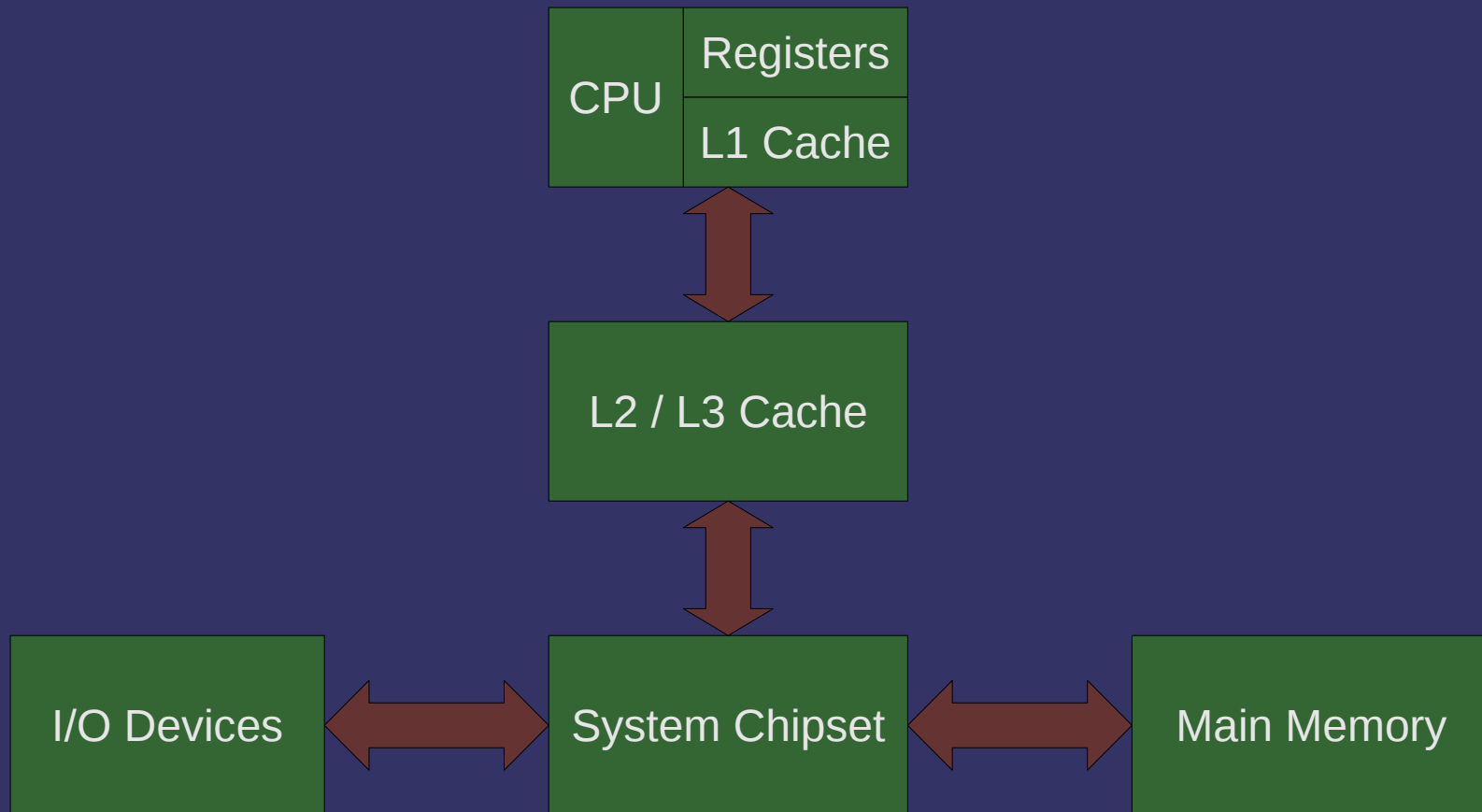
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this data *directly*



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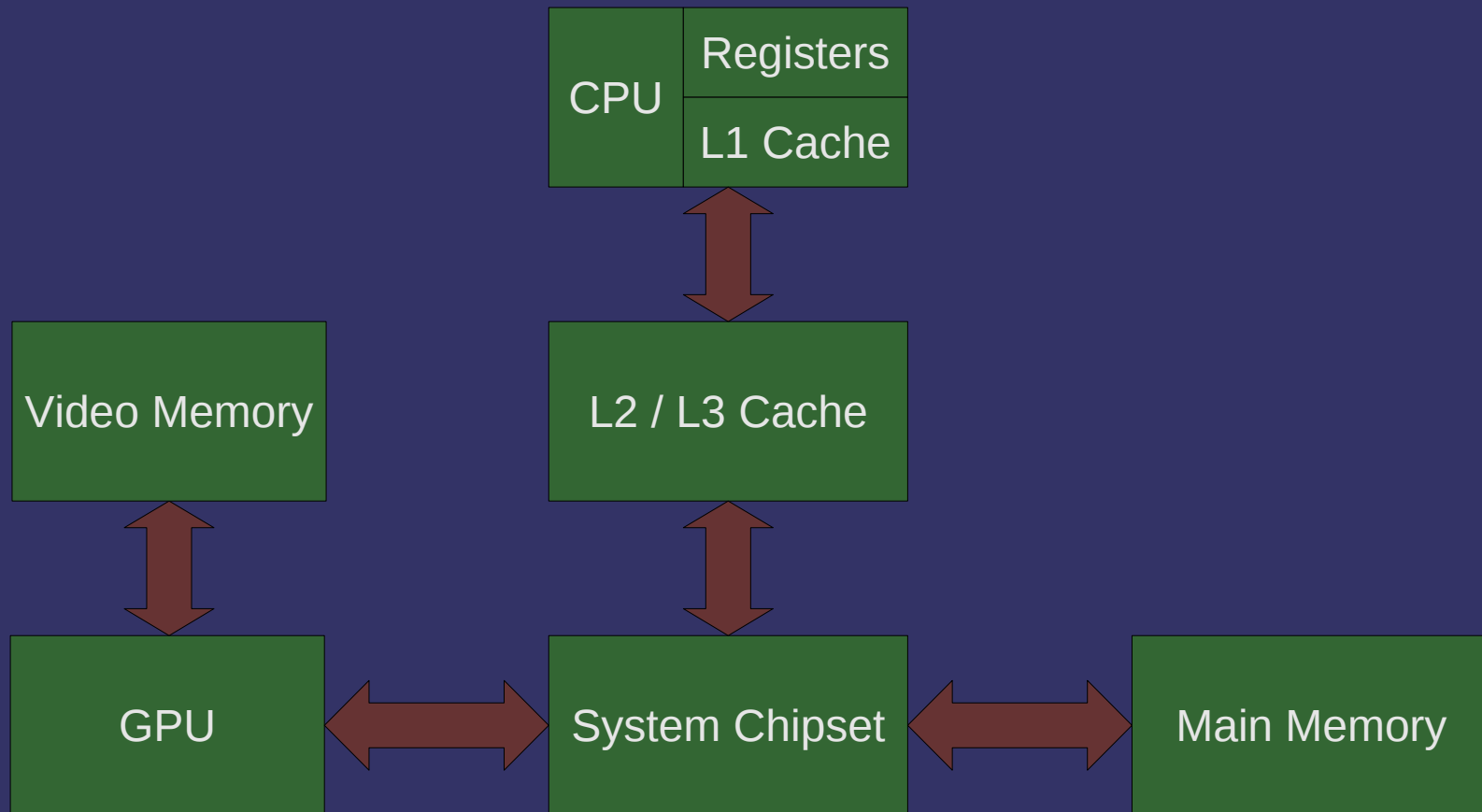
# Memory Architecture



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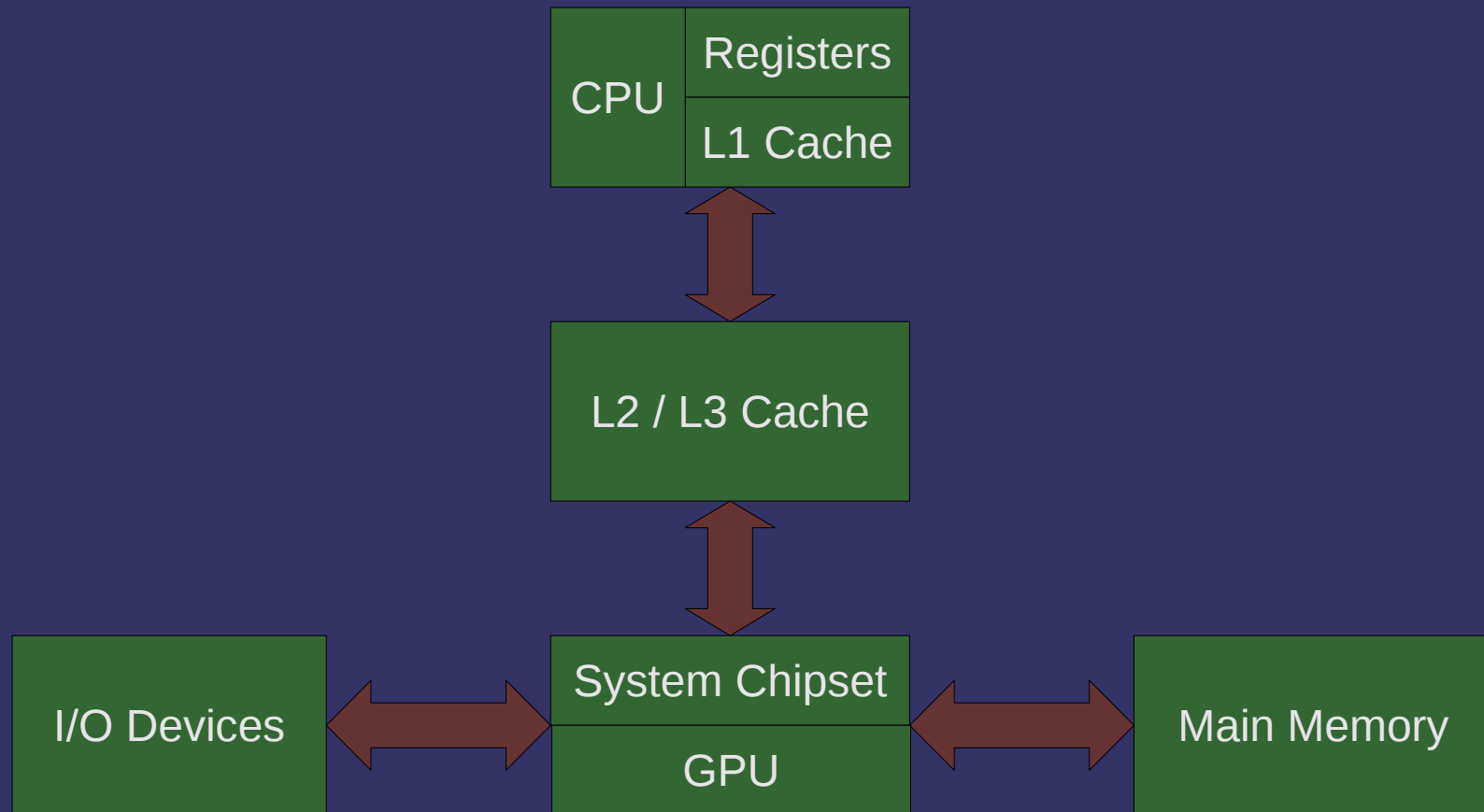
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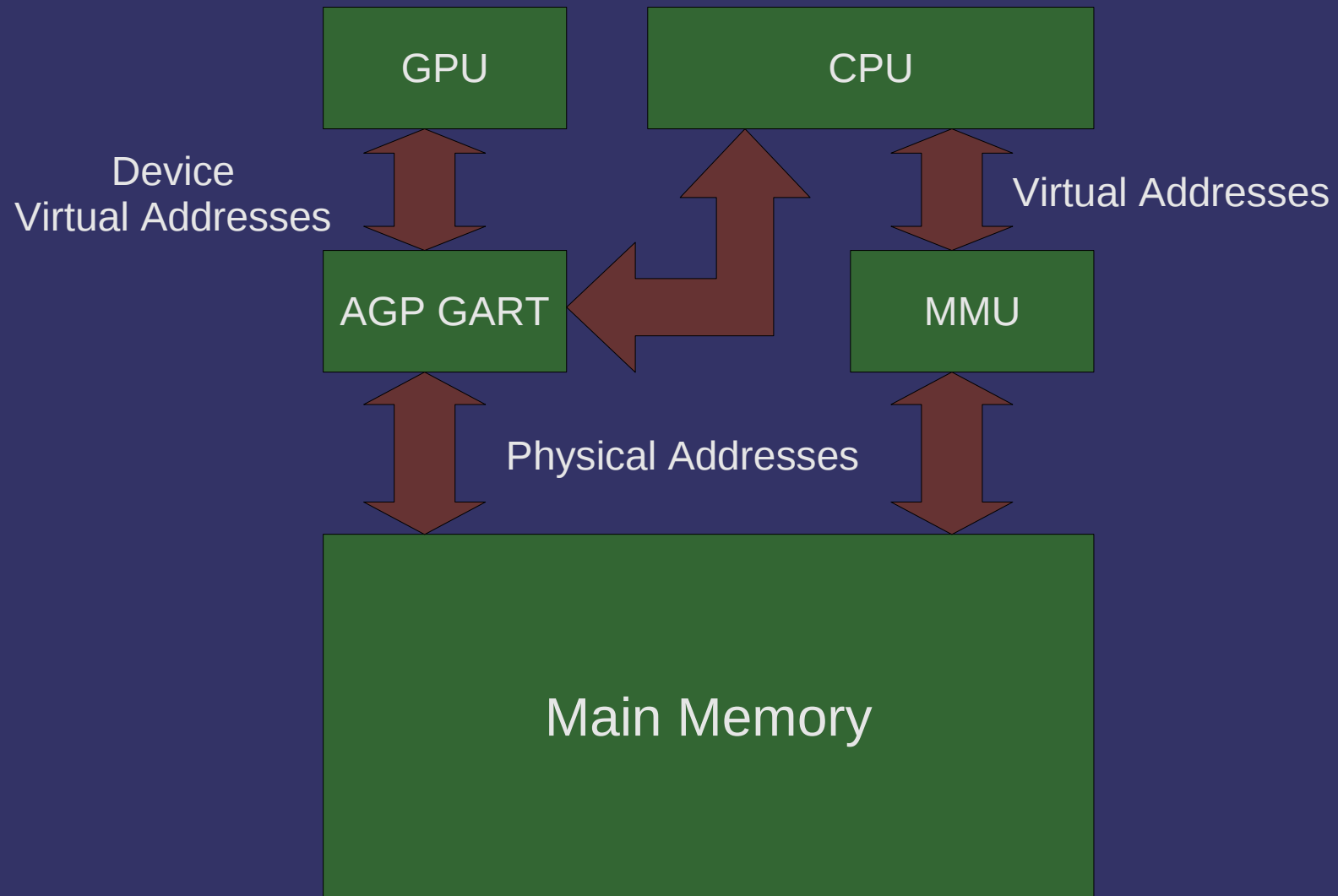
# Unified Memory Architecture



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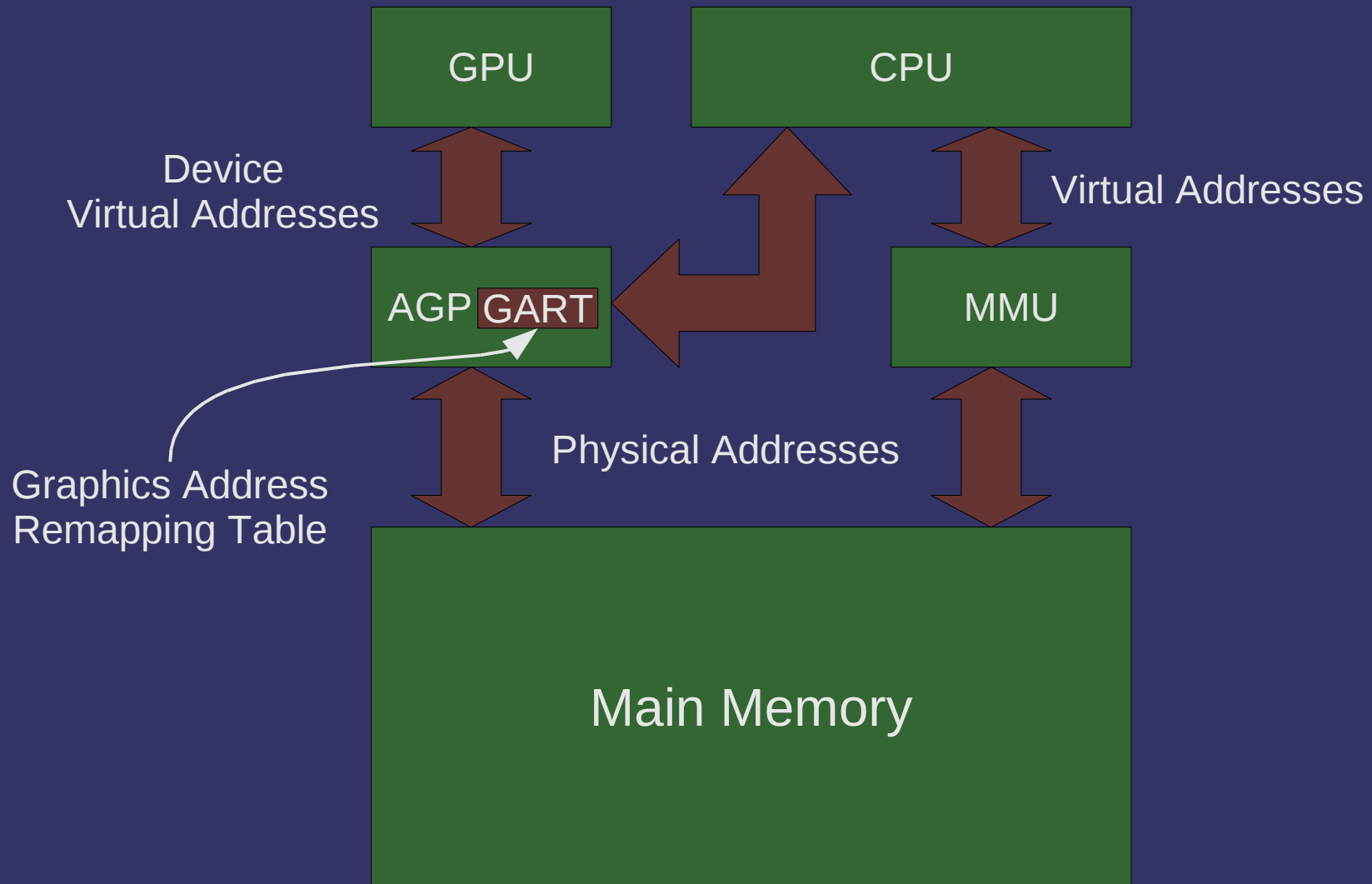
# Memory Map



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# Vertex Memory

- ⇒ Practically, the GPU can only access:
  - Memory physically on the graphics card
  - Memory mapped in the GART
- ⇒ To get GART or card memory, we have to allocate it using the driver
  - Only the driver knows what *kind* of memory to use
  - ...but we have to give it some hints



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# Vertex Memory

- In OpenGL this memory is called *buffer object*
  - It is used somewhat like a file:
    - Bulk I/O via accessor routines
    - Direct mapping and access via a pointer



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# Buffer Objects

⇒ Generate “names” for the buffer objects:

```
glGenBuffers(GLsizei num, GLuint *names);
```

⇒ “Bind” a buffer for use:

```
glBindBuffer(GLenum target, GLuint name);
```

- `target` selects which buffer we're talking about
  - `GL_ARRAY_BUFFER` is used for vertex data
  - `GL_ELEMENT_ARRAY_BUFFER` is used for vertex indices
    - More on that *later...*
  - There are other targets we'll cover later in the term
- Binding creates the object, but it still has no storage



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# Buffer Objects

- Storage is created and *optionally* initialized with:

```
void glBufferData(GLenum target,  
                 GLsizei size, const GLvoid *data,  
                 GLenum usage);
```

- usage tells the GL how the app will utilize the buffer

- Storage is updated with:

```
void glBufferSubData(GLenum target,  
                    GLintptr offset, GLsizei size,  
                    const GLvoid *data);
```



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# Buffer Objects

- Usage conveys information along two axes:
  - Data “frequency”:
    - Stream – data is specified once and used a few times
    - Static – data is specified once and used many times
    - Dynamic – data is specified and used many times
  - Data “usage”:
    - Draw – data used as source for drawing
    - Read – data copied from GL and read back to client
    - Copy – data copied from GL and used as source for drawing
  - Combine these to create the enums (e.g., `GL_STATIC_DRAW`)



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# Buffer Objects

- Memory backing the buffer can be mapped into CPU space:

```
GLvoid *glMapBuffer(GLenum target,  
                    GLenum access);
```

- `access` tells the driver how the application will access the mapped buffer:
  - `GL_READ_ONLY`
  - `GL_WRITE_ONLY`
  - `GL_READ_WRITE`

- Unmap the buffer with:

```
GLboolean glUnmapBuffer(GLenum target);
```



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# *Now what?*

- The vertex data is in a buffer object...how do we tell the GPU know where to get it?



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# *Vertex Attribute Pointer*

- Set the location and format of a vertex attribute with:

```
void glVertexAttribPointer(GLuint index,  
    GLint size, GLenum type,  
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    const GLvoid *pointer);
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Number of components  
in each element

Type of data (e.g.,  
GL\_FLOAT)



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```

For integer data,  
specifies whether it  
is normalized or not



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Number of bytes from  
the start of one element  
to the start of the next



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```
void glVertexAttribPointer(GLuint index,  
    GLint size, GLenum type,  
    GLboolean normalized, GLsizei stride,  
    const GLvoid *pointer);
```

Offset, in bytes, from the  
start of the buffer where  
the data starts



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# Enable Attribute

- Attributes that will be used must also be enabled:

```
void glEnableVertexAttribArray(GLuint index);
```

- Attributes can later be disabled:

```
void glDisableVertexAttribArray(GLuint index);
```



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# Setting Attribute Numbers

- ⇒ GLSL uses names for attributes:

```
attribute vec4 color;
```

- ⇒ The API uses numbers:

```
void glVertexAttribPointer(GLuint index,  
    GLint size, GLenum type,  
    GLboolean normalized, GLsizei stride,  
    const GLvoid *pointer);
```

- ⇒ How do we connect the two?



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# Setting Attribute Numbers

⇒ Bind the attribute name to the index we want:

```
void glBindAttribLocation(GLuint programObj,  
                          GLuint index, const GLchar *name);
```

- Can only call *after* linking the program
- See also `program::bind_attrib_location`



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# Drawing

⇒ Draw a series of vertices:

```
void glDrawArrays(GLenum mode, GLint first,  
                 GLsizei count);
```



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Sets the primitive type



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# Drawing


⇒ Draw a series of vertices:

```
void glDrawArrays(GLenum mode, GLint first,  
                 GLsizei count);
```

Number of  
vertices to draw



Selects which vertex  
in the buffer to start  
drawing with



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# Primitive Types

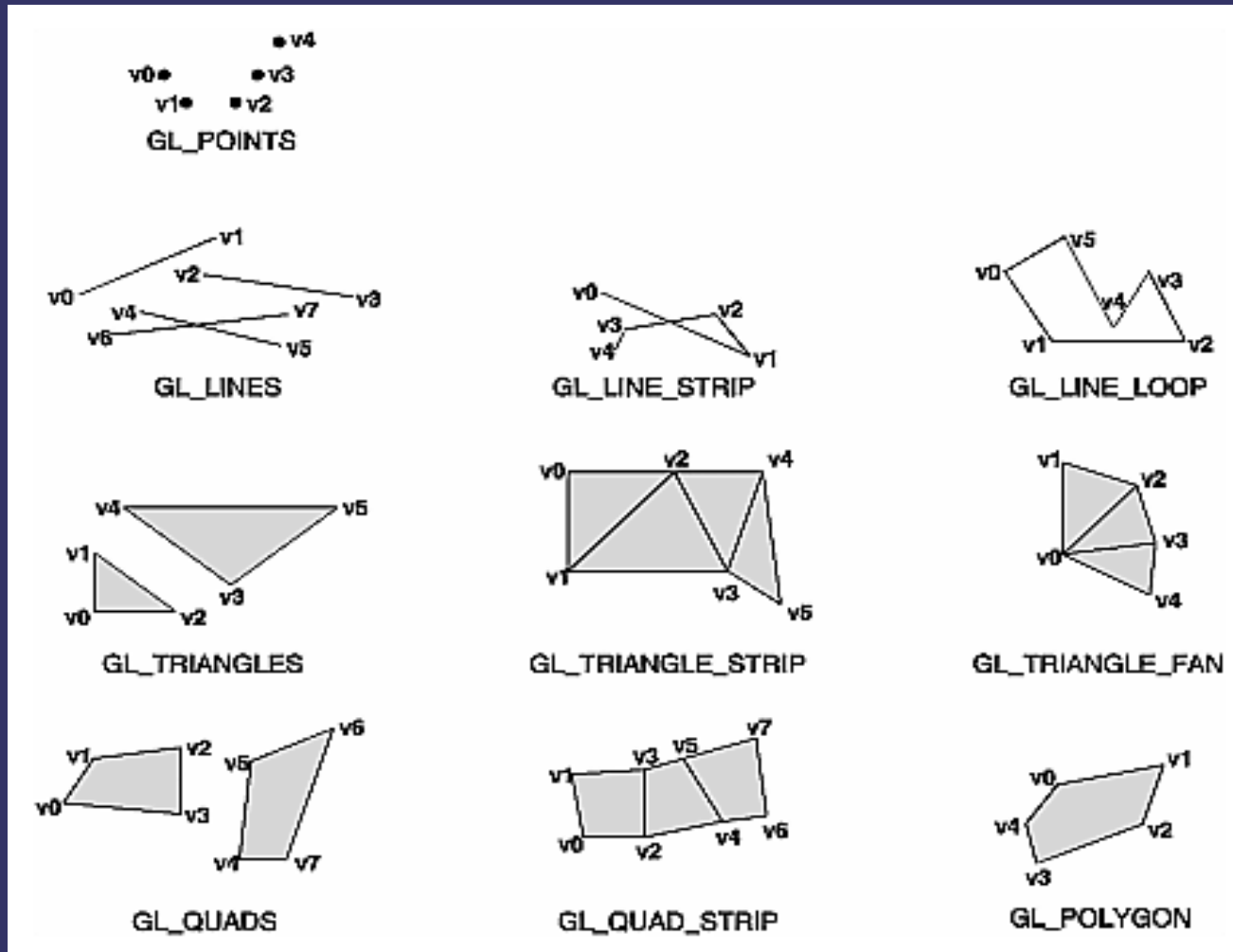
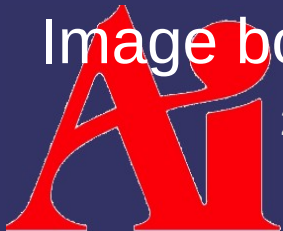


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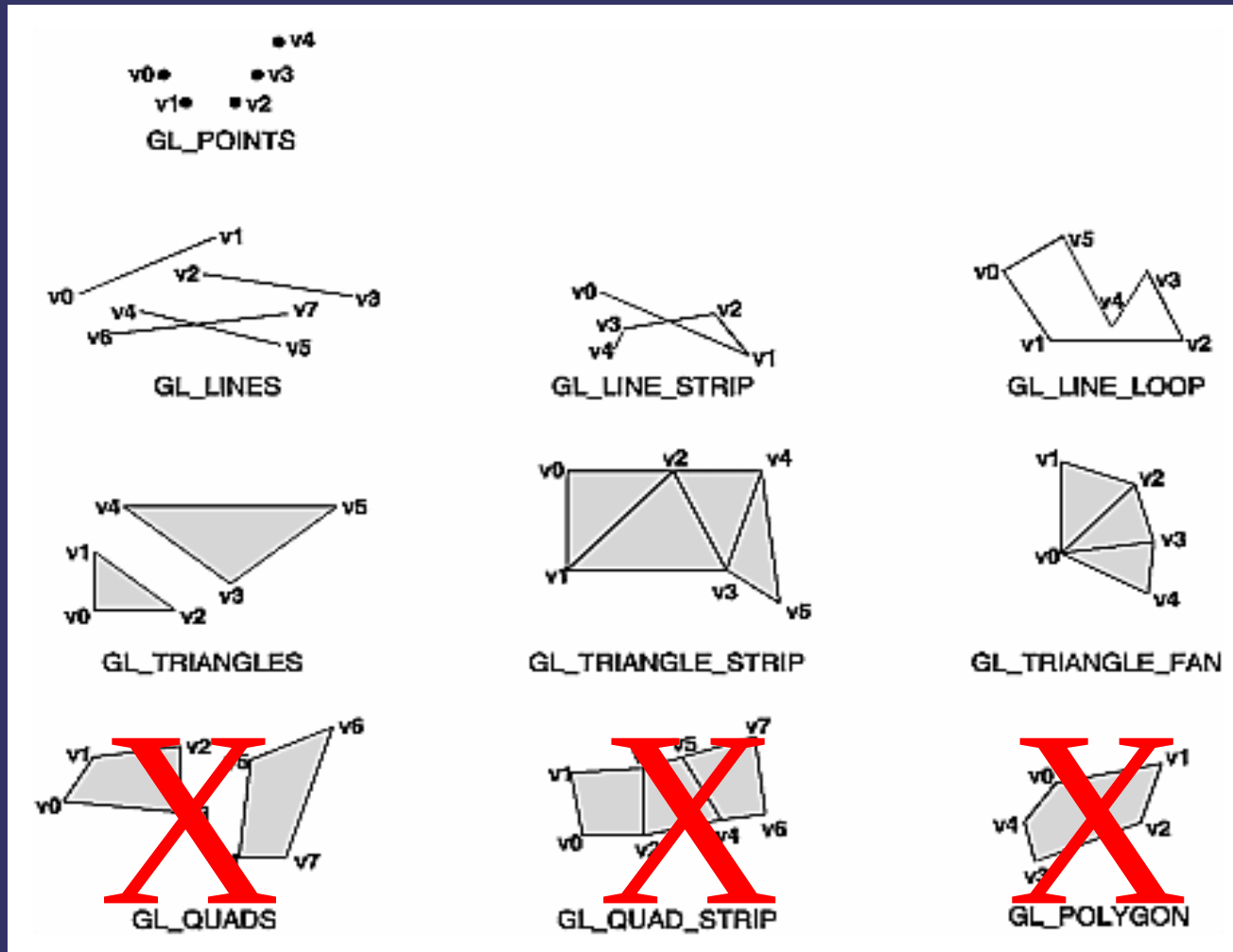
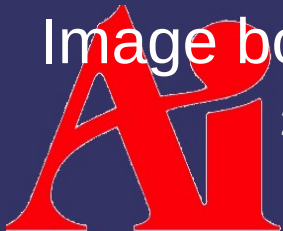


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- Nvidia whitepaper about using VBOs:  
[http://developer.nvidia.com/object/using\\_VBOs.html](http://developer.nvidia.com/object/using_VBOs.html)



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# *Break*



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# *Linear Algebra Primer*

- ⇒ Three important data types:
  - Scalar values
  - Row / column vectors
    - $1 \times 4$  and  $4 \times 1$  are the most common sizes
  - Square matrices
    - $4 \times 4$  is the most common size...to match the  $1 \times 4$  &  $4 \times 1$  vectors



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# Row Vectors

- These are special matrices that have multiple columns but only one row
  - Example:  $[5.0 \quad 3.14 \quad 37]$
- Addition and subtraction is component-wise:
  - Example:  $[1 \quad 2 \quad 3] + [9 \quad 10 \quad 11] = [10 \quad 12 \quad 14]$
  - Both vectors must be the same size
- Operations with scalars also component-wise:
  - Example:  $3.2 \times [1 \quad 2 \quad 3] = [3.2 \quad 6.4 \quad 9.6]$
- Notice that vector multiplication is missing...



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# Column Vectors

- These are special matrices that have multiple rows but only one column
  - Example:  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$
- Work just like row vectors
- Notationally convert a row to a column with a T in the exponent
  - Example:  $V^T$



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# Vector Operations

- There are a few operations specific to vectors that are really important to graphics:
  - Dot product
  - Vector magnitude / normalization
  - Cross product



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# Dot Product

- Noted as a “dot” between two vectors (e.g.,  $A \cdot B$ )
  - Also known as the *inner product*
- Component-wise multiply, then sum components
  - Example:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2.3 & 1.2 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 1.7 & 6.5 \end{bmatrix} = (2.3 * 1.7) + (1.2 * 6.5) = 11.71$$



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# Vector Magnitude

- ⇒ Noted by vertical bars around the vector
  - Like absolute value...which is the scalar magnitude
  - Can also be thought of as the length of the vector
- ⇒ Square-root of dot-product of vector with itself
  - Like absolute value

- Example: 
$$\left| \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} & \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \end{bmatrix} \right| = \sqrt{\begin{bmatrix} \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} & \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} & \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \end{bmatrix}} =$$
$$\sqrt{\left(\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}\right)^2} = \sqrt{\frac{2}{4} + \frac{2}{4}} = 1$$



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# Normal

- *Normal* is an overloaded term in graphics and linear algebra
  - Sometimes it means a vector has unit length
    - $|A| = 1.0$
    - Can say the vector is “normalized”
  - Sometimes it means a vector is perpendicular to a surface or another vector
    - This mean the angle between the vectors is  $90^\circ$
    - Can say that the vectors are “normal to each other”
    - Can say that the vectors are “orthogonal”
  - Can combine for even more fun!



“Use normalized surface normals in the calculation.”

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# Normalize

- ⇒ Can normalize a vector by dividing it by its magnitude
  - Example:  $\frac{A}{|A|}$
  - Vector has the same direction, but the magnitude will be 1.0
  - Also works with scalars



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# *Dot Product*

⇒ Why is the dot product so interesting?



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# Dot Product

- Why is the dot product so interesting?
  - The dot product of two vectors is related to the cosine of the angle between those vectors
  - Formally:  $A \cdot B = |A| |B| \cos \theta$
- We often want to know the angle between two vectors
  - This is the basis of all lighting calculations in 3D graphics!
  - $(A \cdot B) / (|A| |B|) = \cos \theta$



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# Cross Product

## ➤ From Wikipedia:

In mathematics, the cross product is a binary operation on two vectors in a three-dimensional Euclidean space that results in another vector which is perpendicular to the plane containing the two input vectors.

- Noted as an  $\times$  between two vectors

- Calculated as:

$$a \times b = \begin{bmatrix} a_y b_z - a_z b_y & a_z b_x - a_x b_z & a_x b_y - a_y b_x \end{bmatrix}$$

- Not associative

- Anti-commutative: If  $A \times B = C$ , then  $B \times A = -C$



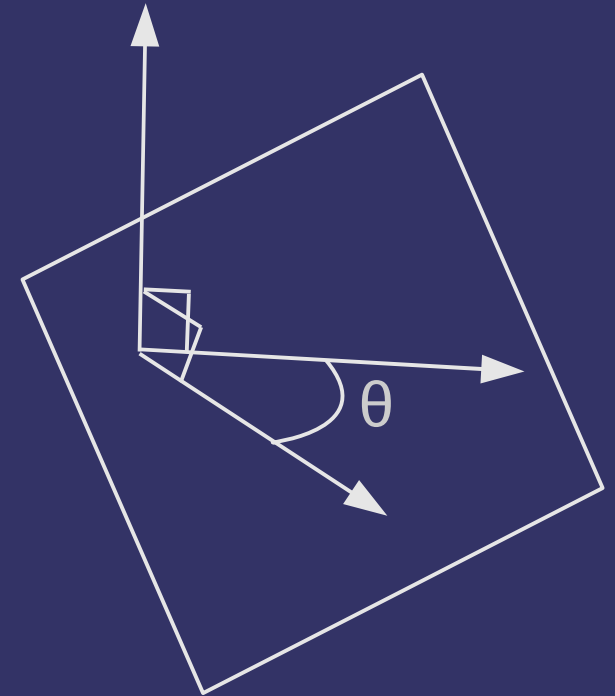
<sup>1</sup> From [http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Cross\\_product](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Cross_product)

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# Cross Product

- Why is the cross product so interesting?
  - Cross product of two vectors results in a new vector that is normal both
  - The cross product of two vectors is related to the sine of the angle between the vectors
    - Formally:  $A \times B = |A| |B| \sin \theta \mathbf{n}$



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# Matrices

- Like vectors, but have multiple rows and columns

- Example: 
$$\begin{bmatrix} 1.0 & 0.0 & 0.0 & 0.0 \\ 0.0 & 1.0 & 0.0 & 0.0 \\ 0.0 & 0.0 & 1.0 & 0.0 \\ 0.0 & 0.0 & 0.0 & 1.0 \end{bmatrix}$$

- Add and subtract like you would expect
  - Like vectors, both matrices must be the same size...in both dimensions



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# Matrix Multiplication

- Special rules make matrix multiplication different from scalar multiplication
  - **NOT** commutative! e.g.,  $M \times N \neq N \times M$
  - Associative e.g.,  $A(BC) = (AB)C$
  - Column count of first matrix must match row count of second matrix
    - If  $M$  is 4-by-3 matrix and  $N$  is a 3-by-1 matrix, we can do  $M \times N$  but not  $N \times M$
  - If the source matrices are  $n$ -by- $m$  and  $m$ -by- $p$ , the resulting matrix will be  $n$ -by- $p$



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# Matrix Multiplication

- To calculate an element of the matrix,  $C$ , resulting from  $AB$ :

$$C_{ij} = \sum_{r=1}^n a_{ir} b_{rj}$$

- What does this look like?



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# Matrix Multiplication

- To calculate an element of the matrix,  $C$ , resulting from  $AB$ :

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- What does this look like?
  - The dot product of a row of  $A$  with a column of  $B$ !
  - This is why the column count of  $A$  must match the row count of  $B$ ...otherwise the dot product wouldn't work



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# Multiplicative Identity

⇒ There is a multiplicative identity for matrices

$$I = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & & \vdots \\ \vdots & & \ddots & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \cdots & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

- Just like any other multiplicative identity,  $AI = A$
- If you pretend that a scalar is a  $1 \times 1$  matrix, this should make sense



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# Transpose

⇒ Rows become columns and columns become rows

– Noted with a T in the exponent position (e.g.,  $M^T$ )

– Example:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 5 \\ 6 & 7 \end{bmatrix}^T = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 4 & 6 \\ 3 & 5 & 7 \end{bmatrix}$$



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[http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Dot\\_product](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Dot_product)

[http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Cross\\_product](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Cross_product)



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# Rotation

## ➤ Rotation around the Z-axis

- If  $\theta$  is 0, this is the identity matrix

$$\begin{bmatrix} \cos \theta & -\sin \theta & 0 & 0 \\ \sin \theta & \cos \theta & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

## ➤ Rotation around the Y-axis

$$\begin{bmatrix} \cos \theta & 0 & \sin \theta & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -\sin \theta & 0 & \cos \theta & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$



# Rotation

⇒ From the previous equations, we can rotate using 4 multiplies and 2 adds, but a matrix multiply requires 16 multiplies and 12 adds

–  $x' = x \cos \theta + y \sin \theta$

–  $x' = -x \sin \theta + y \cos \theta$

–  $z' = z$

⇒ Why use the matrix method?



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# Rotation

⇒ A series of rotations can be implemented as:

$$v' = M_1 v$$

$$v'' = M_2 v'$$

$$v''' = M_3 v''$$

⇒ Which is the same as:

$$M_3(M_2(M_1 v))$$

⇒ What can we do with this?



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$$(M_3 M_2 M_1) v$$

– Matrix multiplication is associative!



# Arbitrary Rotation

- Given a vector,  $v$ , and an angle,  $\theta$ , we can create an arbitrary rotation matrix:

$$\tilde{v} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -v_z & v_y & 0 \\ v_z & 0 & -v_x & 0 \\ -v_y & v_x & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$R = (I * \cos \theta) - ((1 - \cos \theta) * (v * v^T)) + (\sin \theta * \tilde{v})$$



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# Translation

- ⇒ Points are stored as  $p = [ x \ y \ z \ 1 ]$
- ⇒ Remember the definition of matrix multiplication:

$$p_x' = p_x M_{11} + p_y M_{12} + p_z M_{13} + p_w M_{14}$$

$$p_y' = p_x M_{21} + p_y M_{22} + p_z M_{23} + p_w M_{24}$$

$$p_z' = p_x M_{31} + p_y M_{32} + p_z M_{33} + p_w M_{34}$$

$$p_w' = p_x M_{41} + p_y M_{42} + p_z M_{43} + p_w M_{44}$$

- ⇒ Since  $p_w$  is always 1, the 4<sup>th</sup> column of the matrix acts as a translation



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# Scaling

- To scale a vector, multiply each component by a scale factor

$$M = \begin{bmatrix} S_x & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & S_y & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & S_z & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$



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# Coordinate Spaces

- Coordinates are always relative to some “space”
  - Object space: Local coordinate system of the object
  - World space: Global coordinate system relative to the 3D “world”
  - Eye / camera space: Coordinate system relative to the viewer
- When we translate objects relative to other objects, we may talk about other spaces
  - If the hand of a 3D model is rotated relative to the arm of the model, we may talk about “hand-space” or “arm-space”



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# Orthonormal Basis

- It's a mouthful...what does it mean?
- A vector space where all of the components are *orthogonal* to each other, and each is *normal*
  - Normal meaning unit length
  - Orthogonal meaning at right angles
    - The *other* meaning of normal
- Every pure rotation matrix (i.e., no scaling) is orthonormal basis
  - As is the identity matrix



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# Viewing

- ⇒ Q: Given a world position for a camera, a world position to point the camera at, and an “up” direction, how can we construct a transformation using just rotations and translations?



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# Viewing

- Q: Given a world position for a camera, a world position to point the camera at, and an “up” direction, how can we construct a transformation using just rotations and translations?
- A: We can't. We can construct an orthonormal basis from those 3 vectors



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# Viewing

## ➤ Given:

- $E$ : Position of the eye (or camera) in world-space
- $V$ : The point being viewed
- $U$ : the “up” direction

## ➤ Calculate the unit vector from the viewpoint to the eye:

$$F = E - V$$

$$f = \frac{F}{|F|}$$

- This is the Z axis



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# Viewing

- ⇒ Calculate a vector orthogonal to the Z-axis and the up vector:

$$s = f \times u$$

- This is the X-axis



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- This is the X-axis

- ⇒ Calculate a vector orthogonal to the X-axis and the Z-axis:

$$t = f \times s$$

- This is the Y-axis
- Why can't we just use  $U$ ?



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# Viewing

⇒ Drop these vectors into a matrix:

$$M_v = \begin{bmatrix} s_0 & s_1 & s_2 & -E_0 \\ t_0 & t_1 & t_2 & -E_1 \\ f_0 & f_1 & f_2 & -E_2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

- The translation moves the eye to the origin



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# References

General information about rotation matrices and orthonormal bases:

[http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Rotation\\_matrix](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Rotation_matrix)

[http://www.wikipedia.org/Orthonormal\\_basis](http://www.wikipedia.org/Orthonormal_basis)

Really good explanation of arbitrary rotation matrices:

<http://www.euclideanspace.com/maths/geometry/rotations/conversions/angleToMatrix/index.htm>



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# Projection

- Once objects are transformed to camera-space, they're still 3D
  - The screen is still 2D
  - Camera parameters (e.g., field of view) need to be applied
- Two steps remain:
  - Projection from camera space to screen space
  - Perspective divide



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# Projection

## ⇒ Perspective:

- Simulates visual foreshortening caused by the way light projects onto the back of the eye
- Represents the view volume with a frustum (a pyramid with the top cut off)
- The real work is done by dividing  $X$  and  $Y$  by  $Z$

## ⇒ Orthographic:

- Represents the view volume with a cube
- Also called *parallel projection* because lines that are parallel before the projection remain parallel after

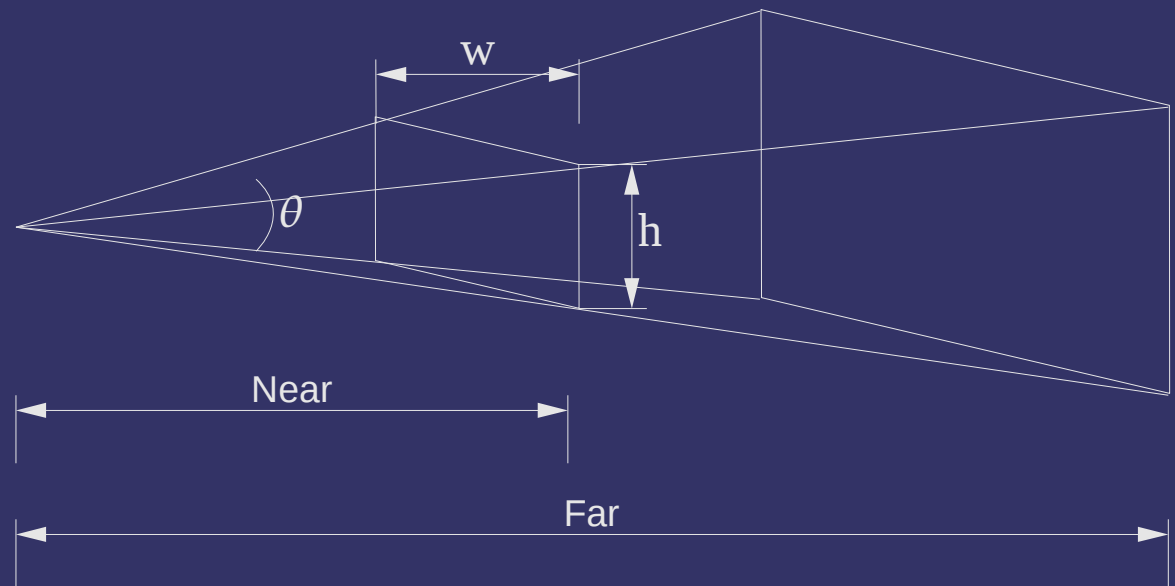


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# Perspective Projection

- A few parameters control the view volume:
  - Near: Distance from the camera to the near viewing plane. Objects in front of this plane will be clipped
  - Far: Distance from the camera to the far viewing plane. Objects behind this plane will be clipped
  - $\theta$ : Field-of-view in the Y direction
  - Aspect ratio: Ratio of the width of the view to the height of the view



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# Perspective Projection

$$f = \cot\left(\frac{\theta}{2}\right)$$

$$M_p = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{f}{\text{aspect}} & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & f & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \frac{\text{far} + \text{near}}{\text{near} - \text{far}} & \frac{2 \times \text{far} \times \text{near}}{\text{near} - \text{far}} \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$



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# Putting it all together

- Typically have a *modeling* transform, a *viewing* transform, and a *projection*
  - Combine these into a single “modelviewprojection” matrix:  $M_{mvp} = M_p \times M_v \times M_m$
  - Transform a vertex by this single matrix:

```
uniform mat4 mvp;  
void main(void)  
{  
    gl_Position = mvp * gl_Vertex;  
}
```



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# References

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# Next week...

## ⇒ Quiz #1

- Will cover material from last week and this week

## ⇒ Hidden surface removal / occlusion

- Backface culling
- Painters algorithm
- Z-buffer
- Frustum culling

## ⇒ Assignment #1, part 2

- Assignment #1, part 1 is due



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