

MCA 101 : COMPUTER GRAPHICS

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SKETCHPAD 1960



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FLATLAND 1999

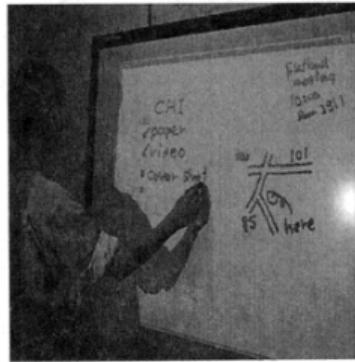
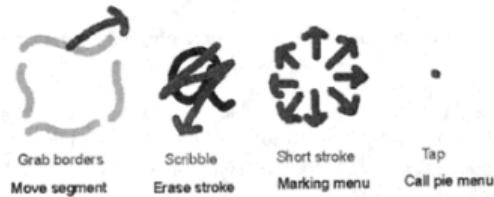


FIGURE 1. Using Flatland



Grab borders
Move segment

Scribble
Erase stroke

Short stroke
Marking menu

Tap
Call pie menu

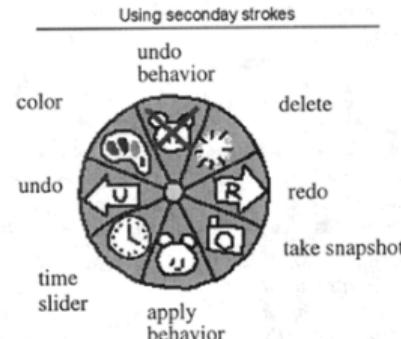


FIGURE 2. Gestures and Pie Menus

FIGURE: Flatland [MIEL99]

PLUSHIE 2007

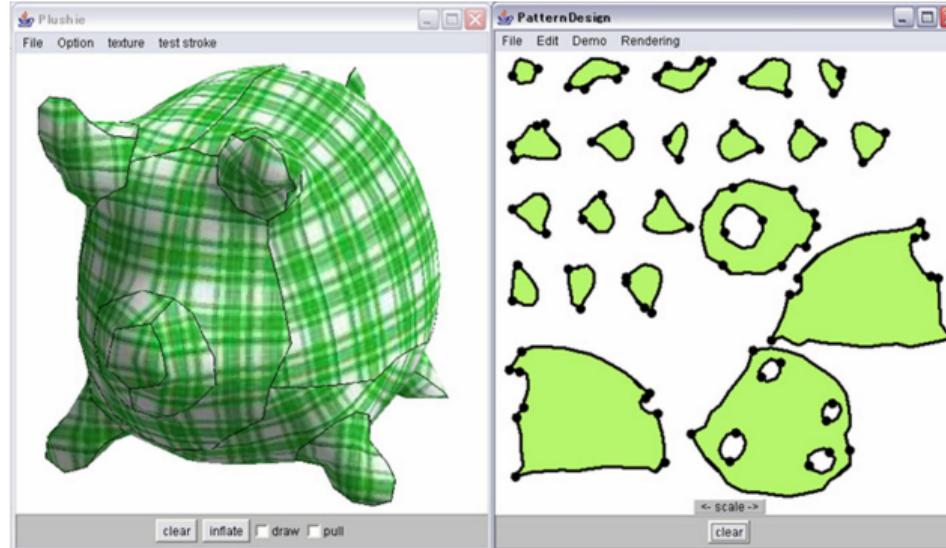


FIGURE: Plushie [MI07]

See Also: [Teaser @Youtube](#)

CITYENGINE ESRI 2012



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See Also: [Peter Wonka @3DGV](#)

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CATHODE RAY TUBE

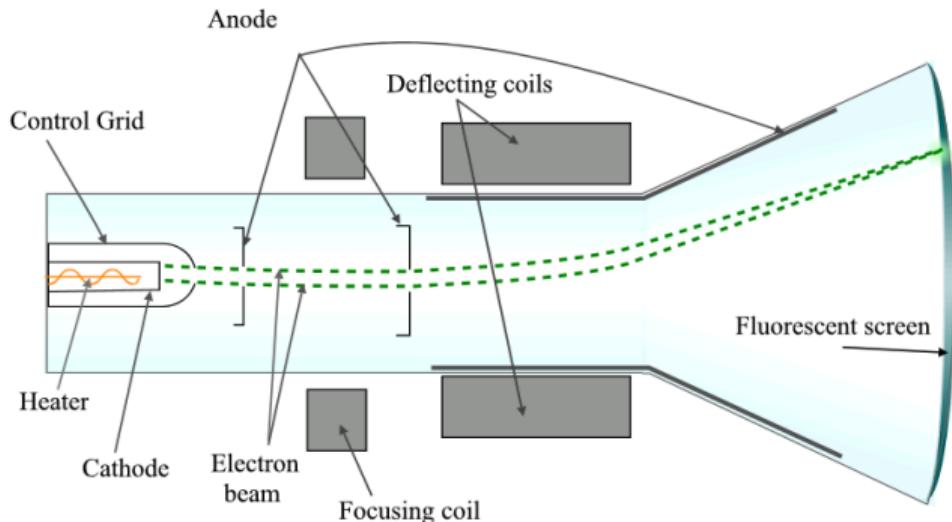


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Monochrome (Raster), Colour (Raster), Direct-View Bistable Storage (Vector)

NIXIE TUBE

(Variant of a Neon Lamp)

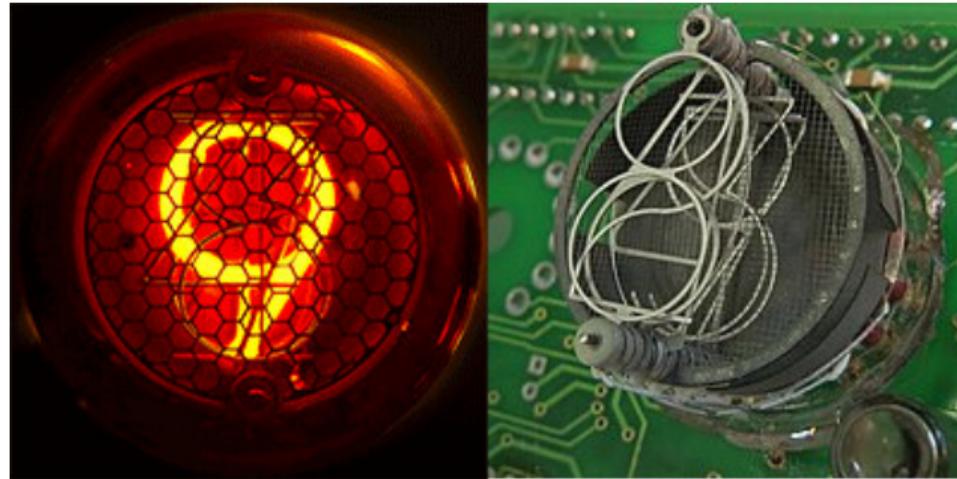


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FLIP-DISC DISPLAY



Image Courtesy: Web

RECENTLY

- LCD
- Plasma (1995)
- LED
- OLED
- AMOLED
- E-Ink (Kindle)

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Prehistoric, Ancient & Medieval

- Clay Tablets
- Wood Block Printing
- Stencils/ Masks
- Seals and Stamps
- Lithography
- Flat-bed Printing Press

Modern

- Rotary Printing Press
- Offset Press
- Screenprinting
- Dot matrix printing (DMP)
- Thermal Printing (Thermochromic)
- Laser Printing

VECTOR

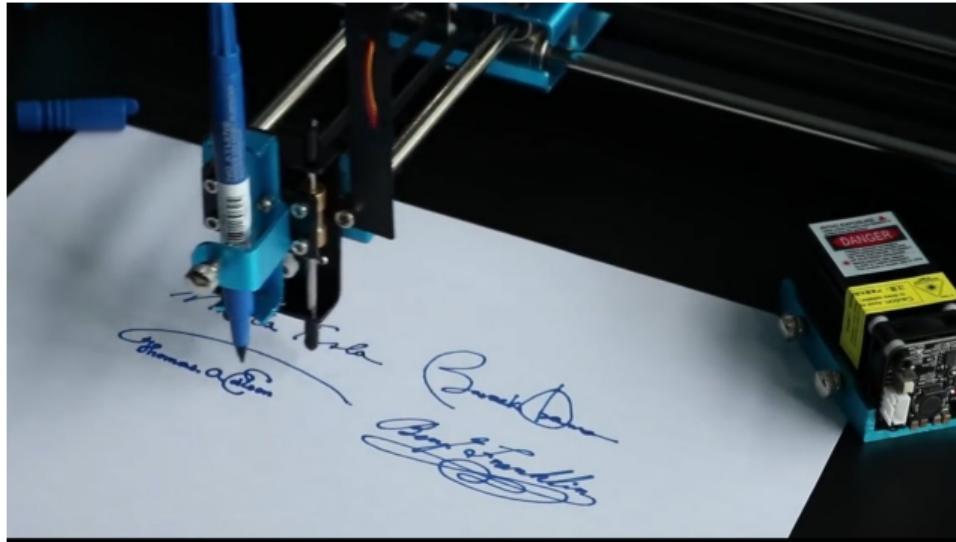


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See Also: [Can I teach a robot to replicate a line art? \[VKN20\]](#)

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- **THROUGHPUT** \geq 18 frames per second (FPS);
- **REFRESH RATE** \geq 24 Hz;

RESOLUTION

A target of 24 FPS, will leave per pixel computation time of,

- $320 \times 240 \approx 77000 \text{ px} \rightarrow 543 \text{ ns}$
- $640 \times 480 \approx 0.3 \text{ MP} \rightarrow 135 \text{ ns}$
- $1024 \times 768 \approx 0.8 \text{ MP} \rightarrow 53 \text{ ns}$
- $1366 \times 768 \approx 1 \text{ MP} \rightarrow 40 \text{ ns}$

RESOLUTION

Same with a 384 core GPU,

- $1440 \times 900 \approx 1.3 \text{ MP} \rightarrow 12.3 \mu\text{s}$
- $1920 \times 1280 \approx 2.5 \text{ MP} \rightarrow 6.5 \mu\text{s}$
- $3072 \times 1920 \approx 6 \text{ MP} \rightarrow 2.7 \mu\text{s}$
- $8192 \times 4320 \approx 35 \text{ MP} \rightarrow 0.45 \mu\text{s}$

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REPRESENTATION

The way a concept/ entity is represented in machine code. *e.g.*

- Colour as **RGB**; is just a mem block of 24-bits;
- Geometry as **Polygonal Faces**; Array of Vertex Data and Face Relations;
- Illumination as a physical model;
- Textures as 2D images;
- and so forth...

TRANSFORMATION

Changing the view-point

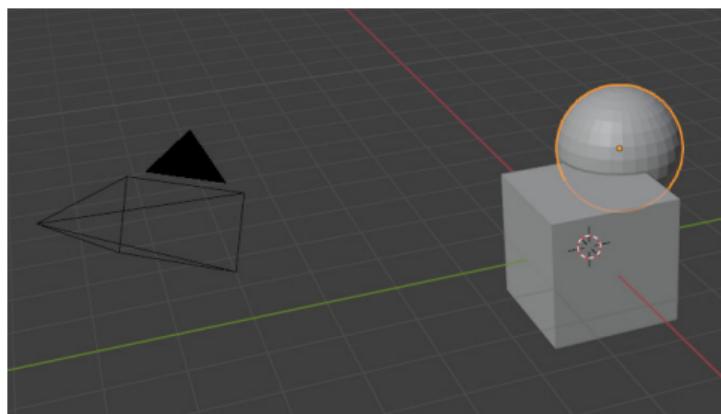


FIGURE: User View

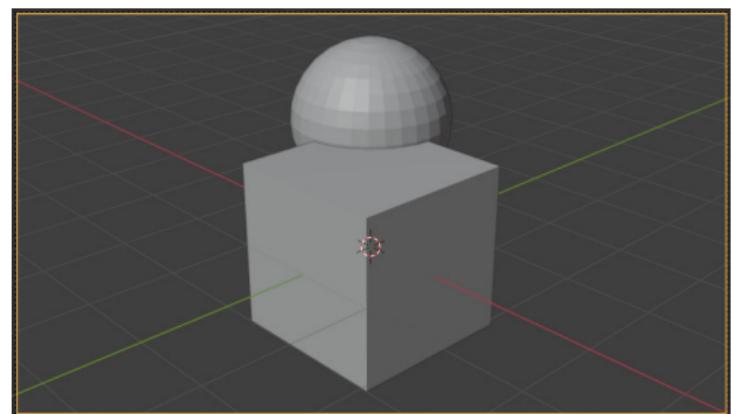


FIGURE: Camera View

INTERPOLATION

Estimating/ Computing the values in between two states.

e.g.

Points on a line segment are intermediate/ interpolated states between its two end points.

To create a visible artefact
corresponding to a concept.

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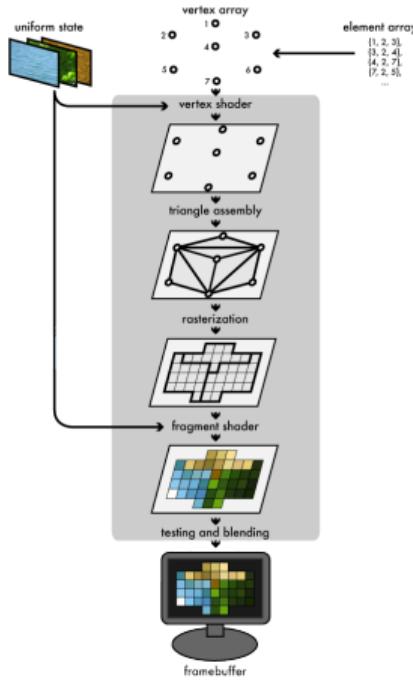
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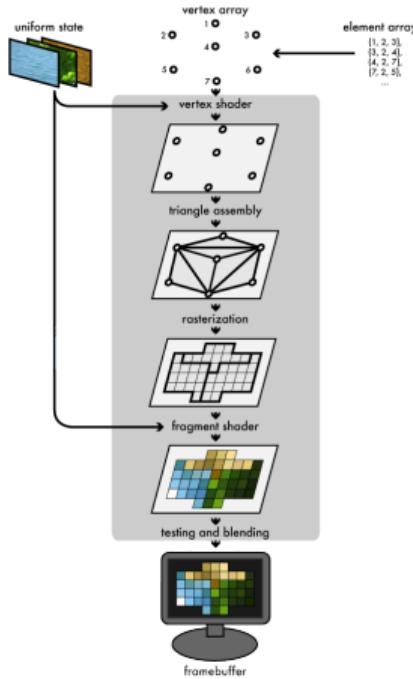
■ Data Input

- Uniform State
- Vertex Array (per-vertex data)
- Element Array (list of elements)

- Vertex Shader
- Triangle Assembly
- Rasterisation
- Fragment Shader
- Framebuffer

Image Courtesy: Durian Software

THE GRAPHICS PIPELINE



■ Data Input

■ Vertex Shader

INPUT

- Per Vertex Data
- Uniform State
- Position
- For Next Shader

OUTPUT

■ Triangle Assembly

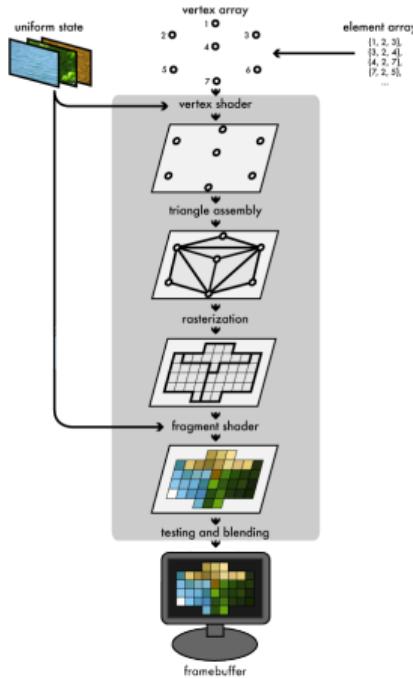
■ Rasterisation

■ Fragment Shader

■ Framebuffer

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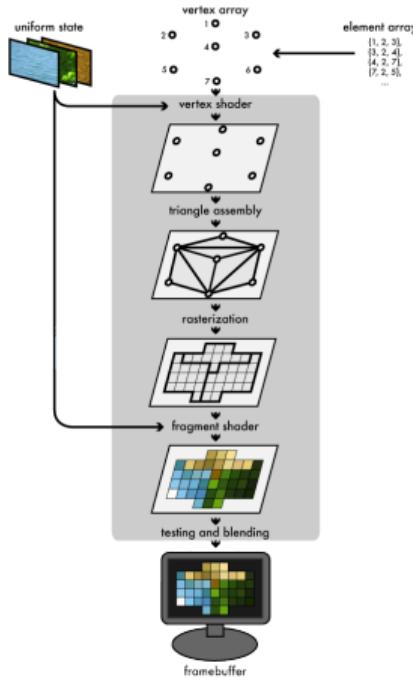
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- Data Input
- Vertex Shader
- Triangle Assembly
 - Uses Element Array
- Rasterisation
- Fragment Shader
- Framebuffer

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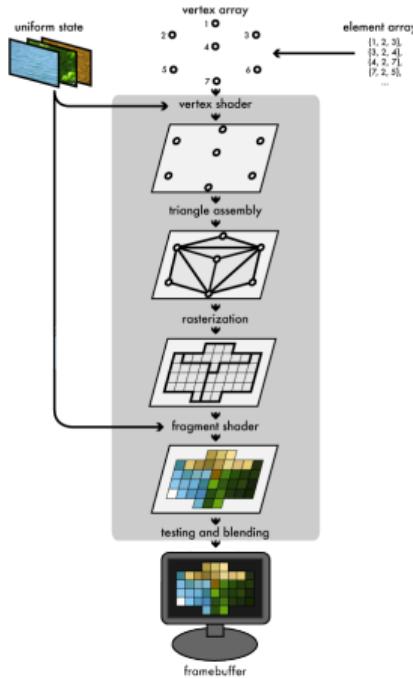
THE GRAPHICS PIPELINE



- Data Input
- Vertex Shader
- Triangle Assembly
- Rasterisation
 - Which element corresponds to which fragment
- Fragment Shader
- Framebuffer

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THE GRAPHICS PIPELINE



- Data Input
- Vertex Shader
- Triangle Assembly
- Rasterisation
- Fragment Shader

INPUT ■ From Prev Shader

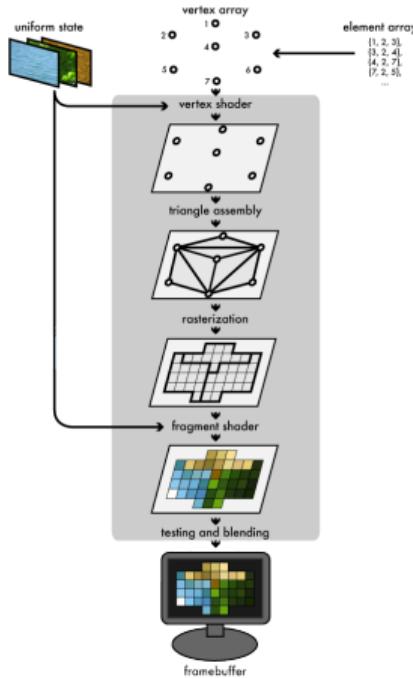
■ Uniform State

OUTPUT ■ Fragment Colour

- Framebuffer

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- PLANAR POLYGON

THREE TYPES

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- POINT
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 - Triangle
 - Quad

ATTRIBUTES

ELEMENTS

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PROBLEM

Given a straight line with vertex attributes: *a*) position in 2D coordinates; and *b*) temperature value;
Draw the line with a heat gradient using a predefined heat map for colour.

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