

Computer Graphics (CS 543)

Lecture 3 (Part 2): Building 3D Models

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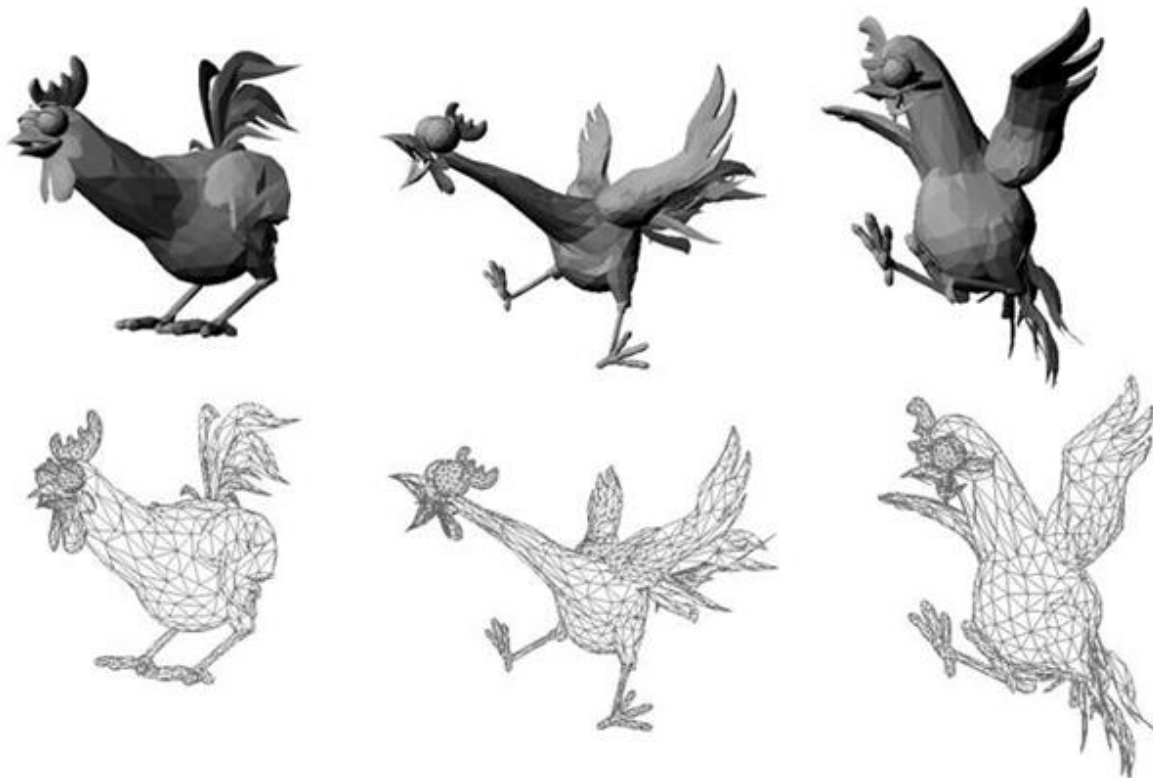
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3D Applications

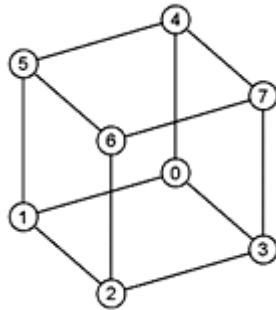
- **2D points:** (x,y) coordinates
- **3D points:** have (x,y,z) coordinates





Setting up 3D Applications: Main Steps

- Programming 3D similar to 2D
 1. Load representation of 3D object into data structure



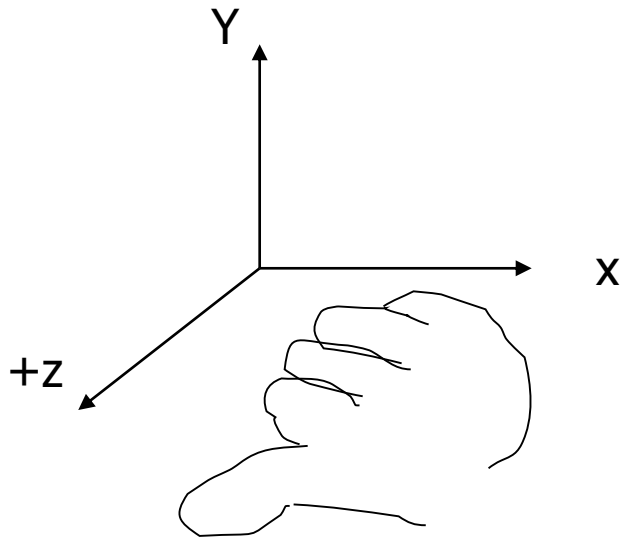
Each vertex has (x,y,z) coordinates.
Store as **vec3** NOT **vec2**

2. Draw 3D object
3. **Set up Hidden surface removal:** Correctly determine order in which primitives (triangles, faces) are rendered (e.g Blocked faces **NOT** drawn)

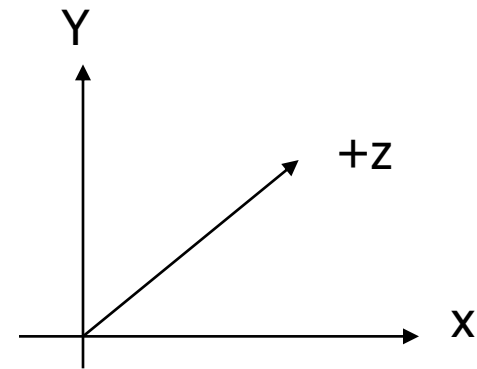


3D Coordinate Systems

- Vertex (x,y,z) positions specified on coordinate system
- OpenGL uses **right hand coordinate system**



Right hand coordinate system
Tip: sweep fingers x-y: thumb is z

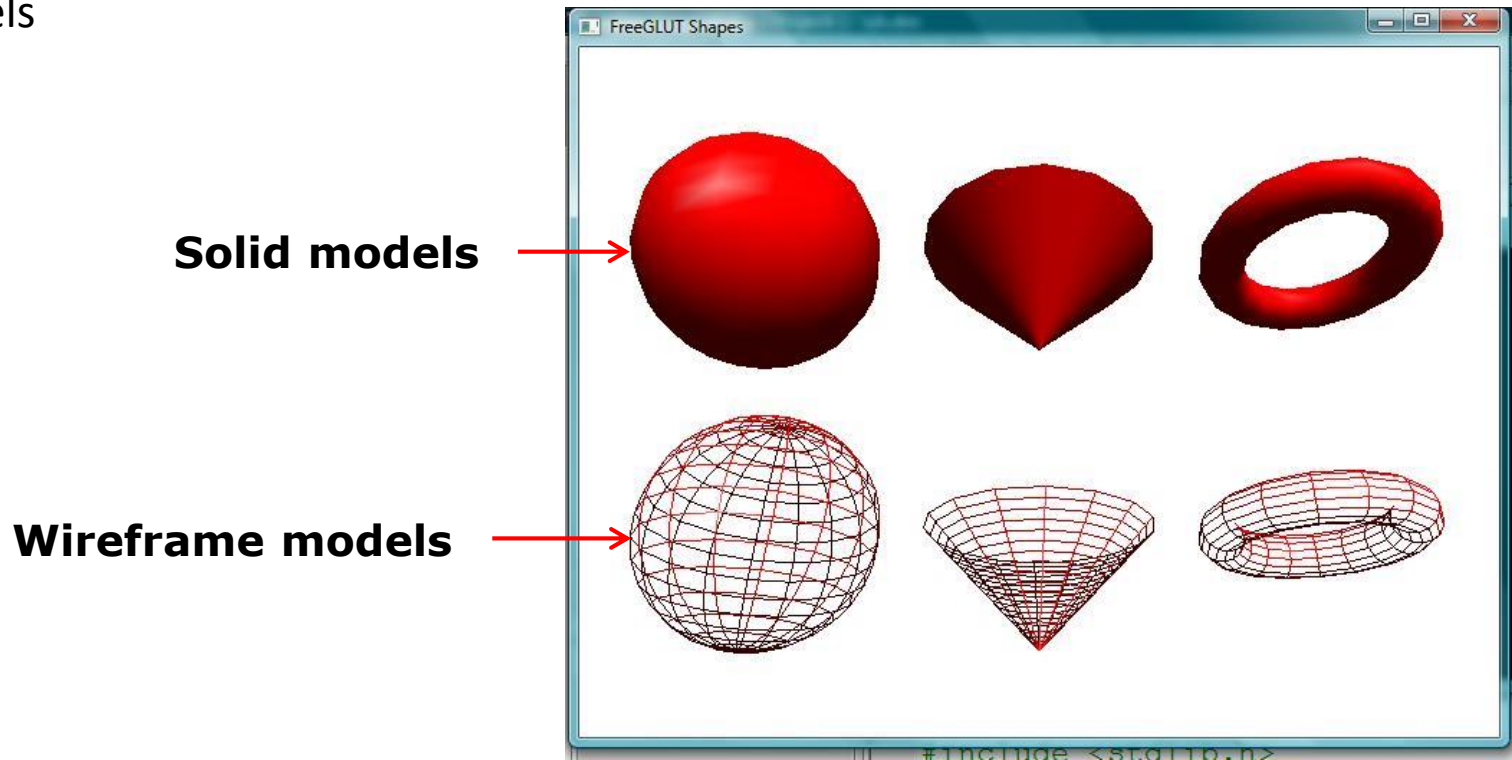


Left hand coordinate system
• Not used in OpenGL



Generating 3D Models: GLUT Models

- Make GLUT 3D calls in **OpenGL program** to generate vertices describing different shapes (Restrictive?)
- Two types of GLUT models:
 - Wireframe Models
 - Solid Models

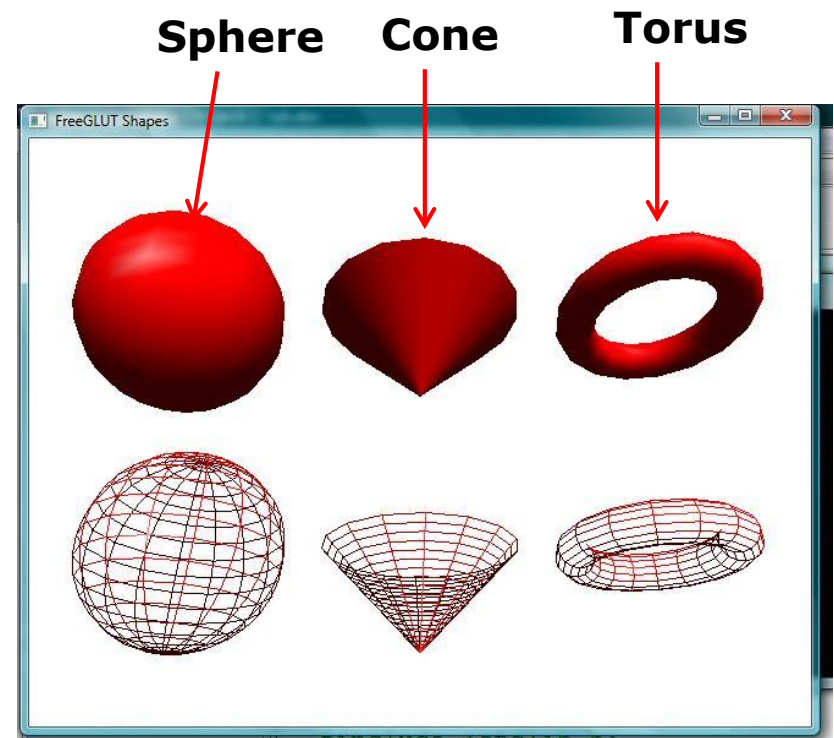
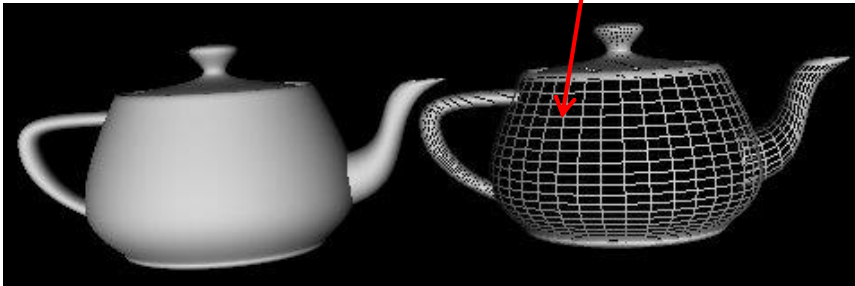




3D Modeling: GLUT Models

- Basic Shapes
 - **Cone:** `glutWireCone()`, `glutSolidCone()`
 - **Sphere:** `glutWireSphere()`, `glutSolidSphere()`
 - **Cube:** `glutWireCube()`, `glutSolidCube()`
- More advanced shapes:
 - Newell Teapot: (symbolic)
 - Dodecahedron, Torus

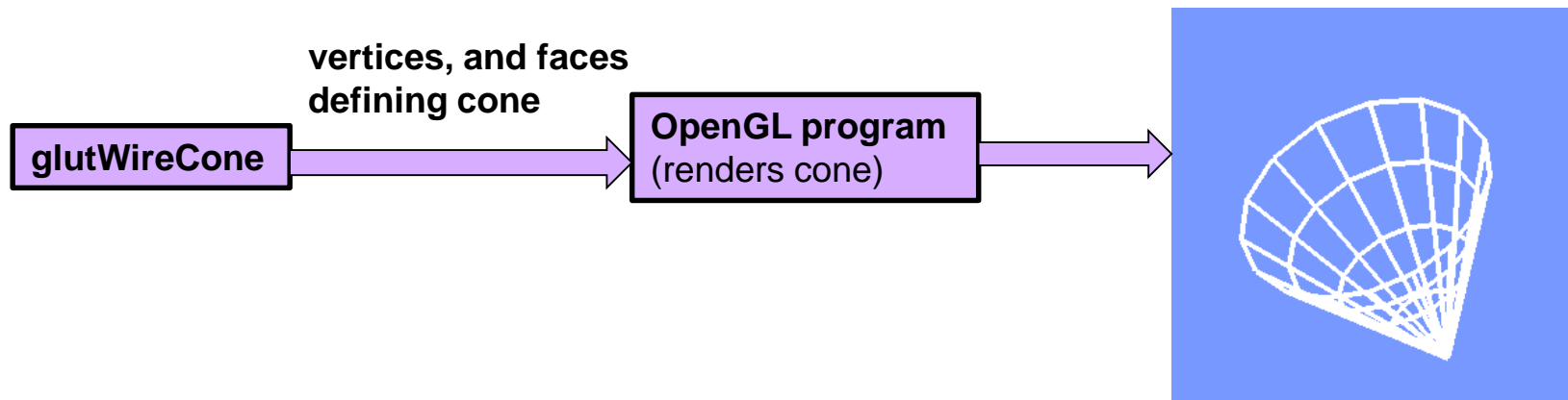
Newell Teapot





3D Modeling: GLUT Models

- Glut functions under the hood
 - generate sequence of points that define a shape
 - Generated vertices and faces passed to OpenGL for rendering
- **Example:** `glutWireCone` generates sequence of vertices, and faces defining `cone` and connectivity

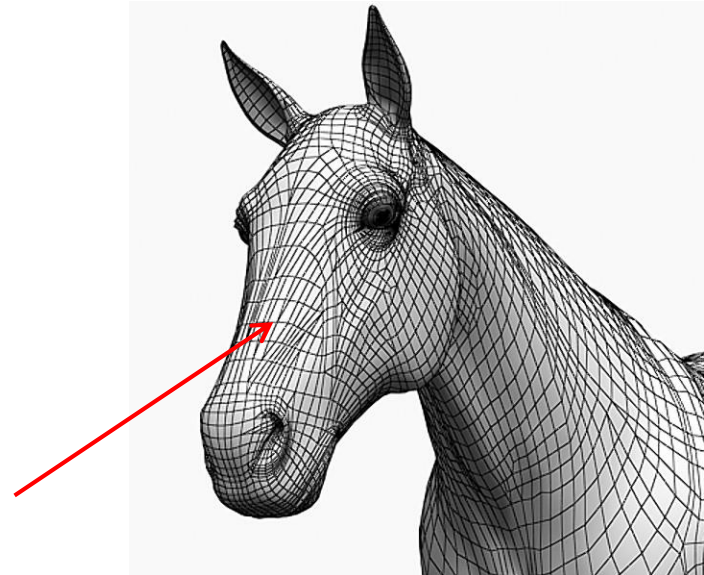




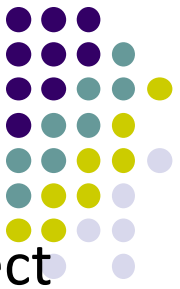
Polygonal Meshes

- Modeling with GLUT shapes (cube, sphere, etc) too restrictive
- Difficult to approach realism. E.g. model a horse
- Preferred way is using polygonal meshes:
 - Collection of polygons, or faces, that form “skin” of object
 - More flexible, represents complex surfaces better
 - Examples:
 - Human face
 - Animal structures
 - Furniture, etc

**Each face of mesh
is a polygon**

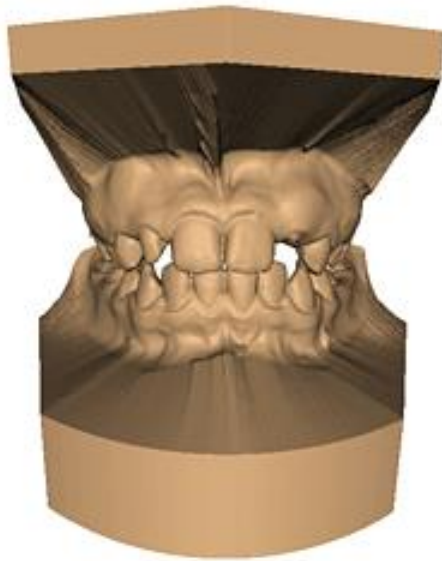


Polygonal Meshes

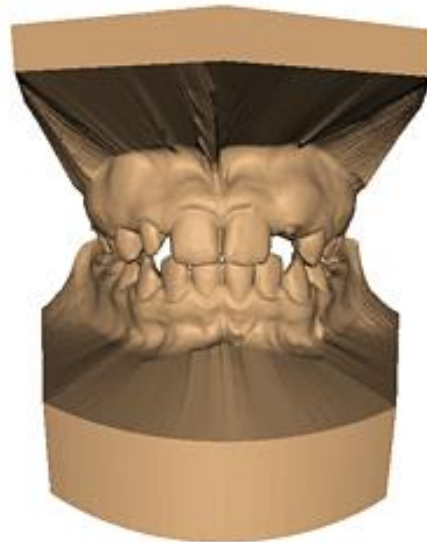


- Mesh = sequence of polygons forming thin skin around object
- OpenGL Good at drawing polygons, triangles
- Meshes now standard in graphics
- Simple meshes exact. (e.g barn)
- Complex meshes approximate (e.g. human face)

Same Mesh at Different Resolutions



**Original: 424,000
triangles**



**60,000 triangles
(14%).**



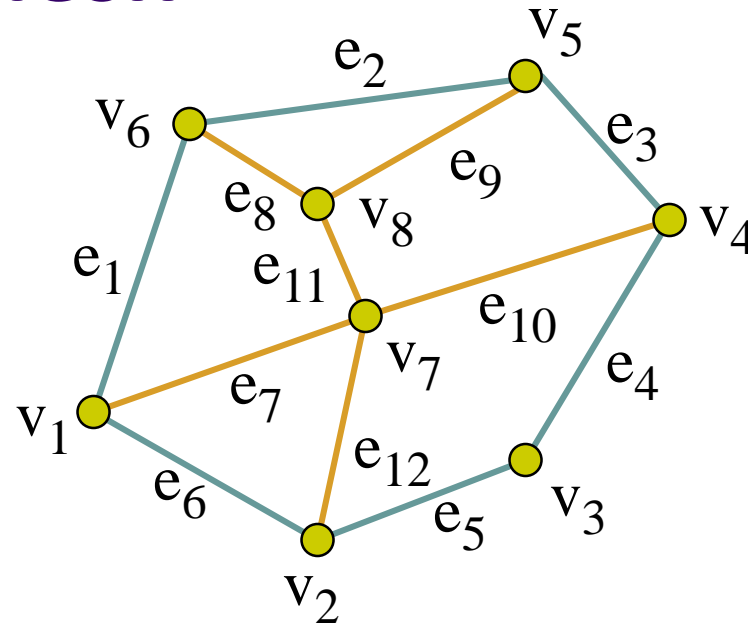
**1000 triangles
(0.2%)**

(courtesy of Michael Garland and Data courtesy of Iris Development.)



Representing a Mesh

- Consider a mesh



- There are 8 vertices and 12 edges
 - 5 interior polygons
 - 6 interior (shared) edges (shown in orange)
- Each vertex has a location $v_i = (x_i \ y_i \ z_i)$



Simple Representation

- Define each polygon by (x,y,z) locations of its vertices
- OpenGL code

```
vertex[i]    = vec3(x1, y1, z1);  
vertex[i+1]  = vec3(x6, y6, z6);  
vertex[i+2]  = vec3(x7, y7, z7);  
i+=3;
```

Issues with Simple Representation



- Declaring face f1

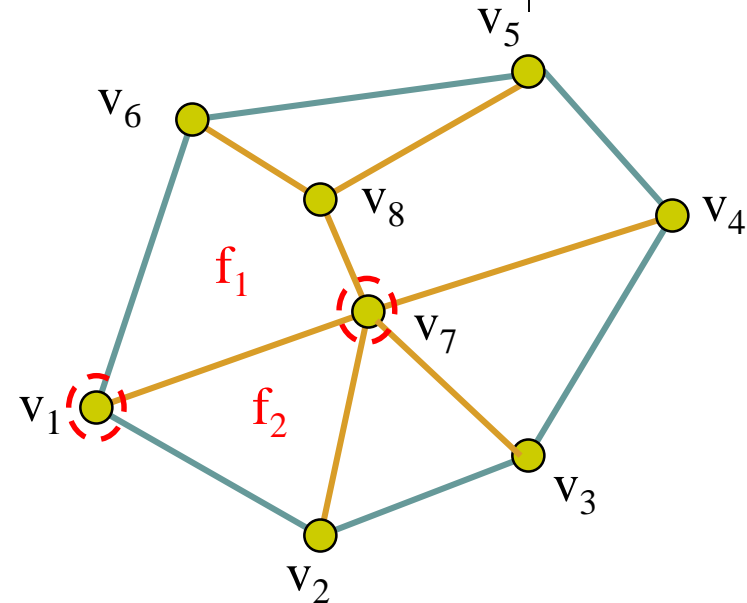
```
vertex[i] = vec3(x1, y1, z1);  
vertex[i+1] = vec3(x7, y7, z7);  
vertex[i+2] = vec3(x8, y8, z8);  
vertex[i+3] = vec3(x6, y6, z6);
```

- Declaring face f2

```
vertex[i] = vec3(x1, y1, z1);  
vertex[i+1] = vec3(x2, y2, z2);  
vertex[i+2] = vec3(x7, y7, z7);
```

- Inefficient and unstructured

- **Repeats:** vertices **v1 and v7 repeated** while declaring f1 and f2
- Shared vertices shared declared multiple times
- Delete vertex? Move vertex? Search for all occurrences of vertex

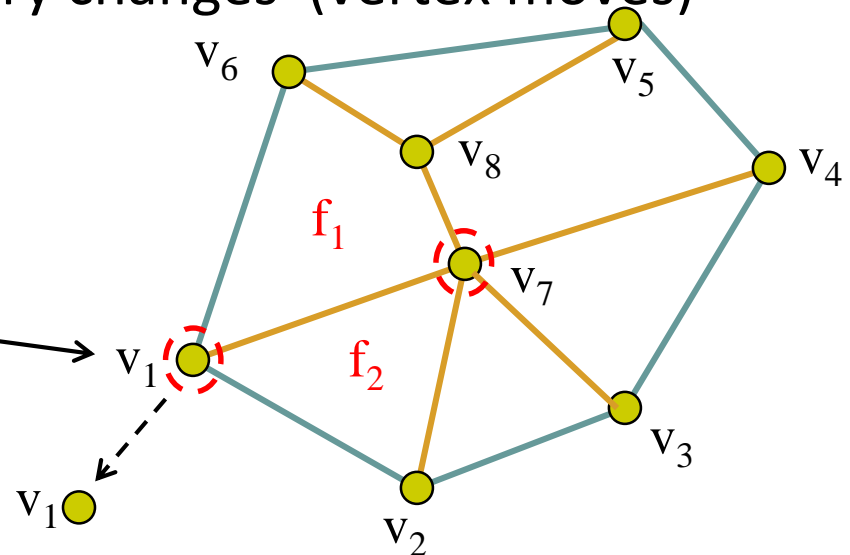




Geometry vs Topology

- **Geometry:** (x,y,z) locations of the vertices
- **Topology:** How vertices and edges are connected
- Good data structures separate **geometry** from **topology**
- **Example:**
 - A polygon is **ordered list** of vertices
 - An edge connects successive pairs of vertices
- Topology holds even if geometry changes (vertex moves)

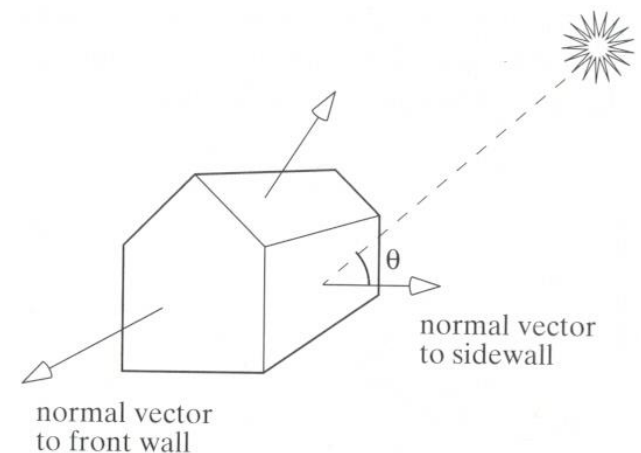
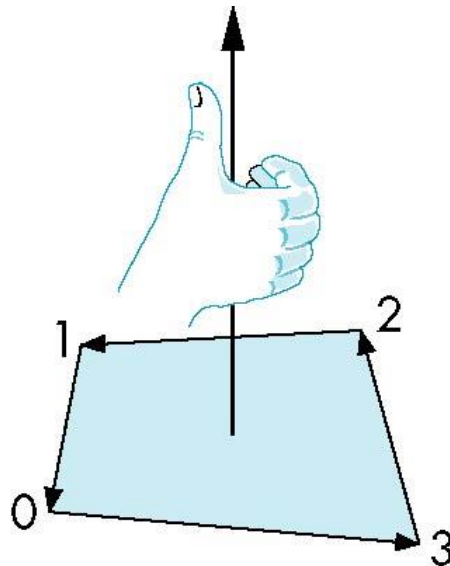
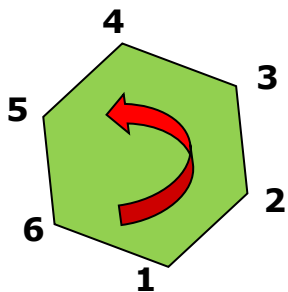
Example: even if we move (x,y,z) location of v_1 , v_1 still connected to v_6 , v_7 and v_2





Polygon Traversal Convention

- **Convention:** traverse vertices **counter-clockwise** around normal
- Focus on direction of traversal
 - Orders $\{v_1, v_0, v_3\}$ and $\{v_3, v_2, v_1\}$ are same (*ccw*)
 - Order $\{v_1, v_2, v_3\}$ is different (*clockwise*)
- **Normal vector:** Direction each polygon is facing

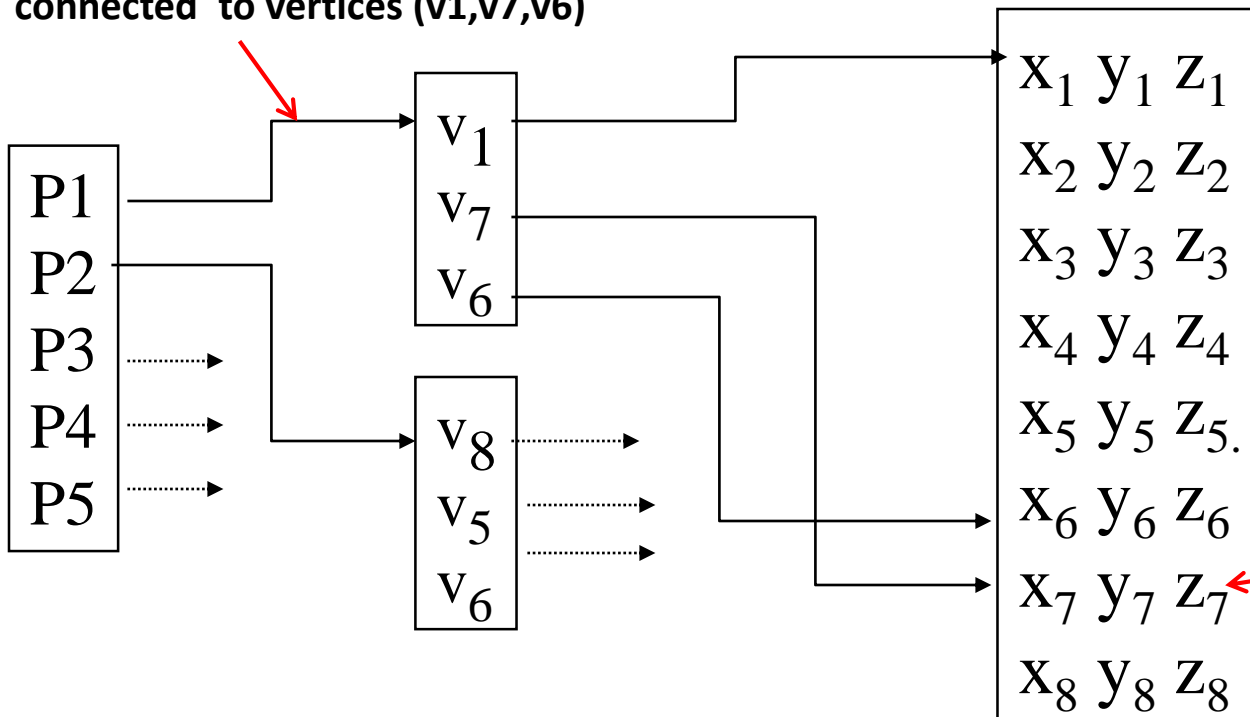




Vertex Lists

- **Vertex list:** (x,y,z) of vertices (its geometry) are put in array
- Use pointers from vertices into vertex list
- **Polygon list:** vertices connected to each polygon (face)

Topology example: Polygon P1 of mesh is connected to vertices (v1,v7,v6)

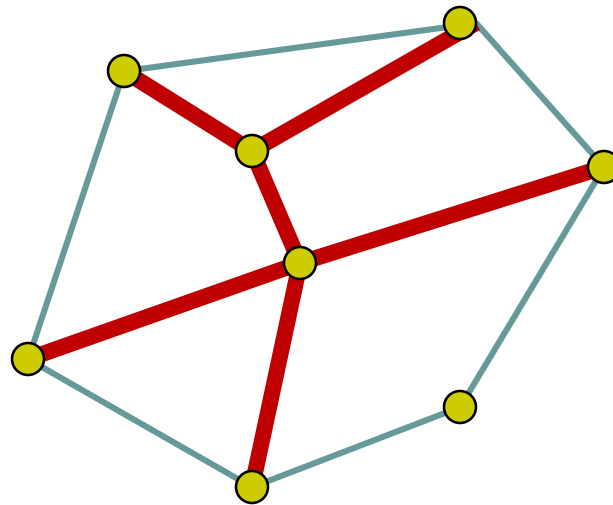


Geometry example:
Vertex v7 coordinates are (x₇,y₇,z₇).
Note: If v7 moves, changed once in vertex list



Vertex List Issue: Shared Edges

- Vertex lists draw filled polygons correctly
- If each polygon is drawn by its edges, shared edges are drawn twice

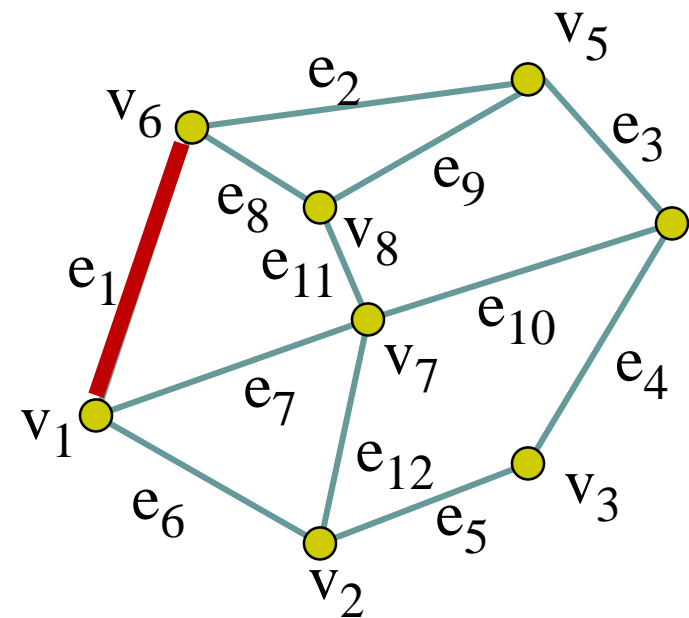
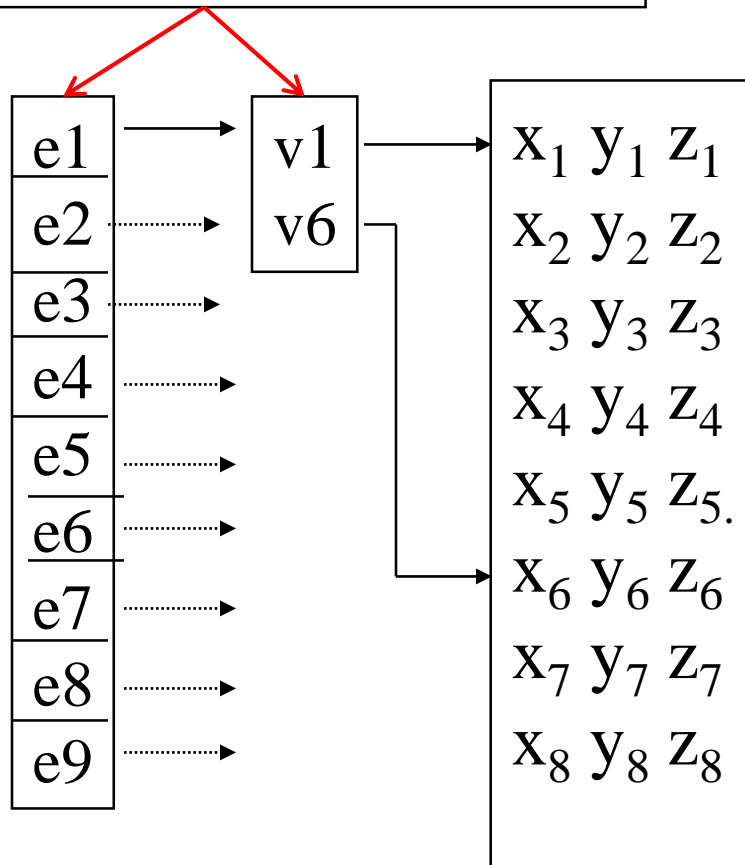


- **Alternatively:** Can store mesh by *edge list*



Edge List

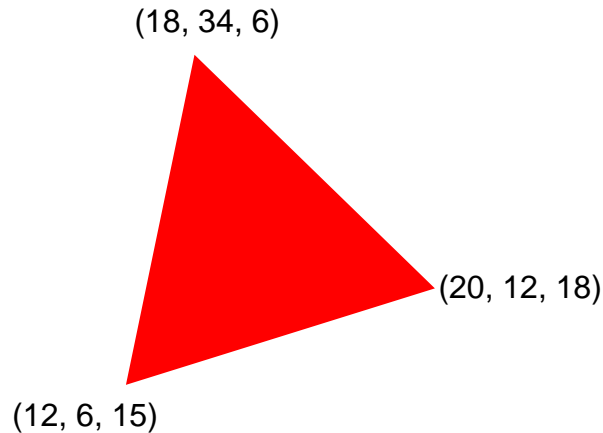
Simply draw each edges once
E.g e1 connects v1 and v6



Note polygons are not represented



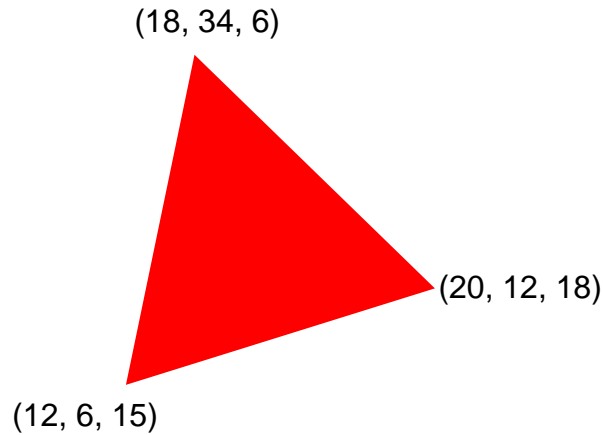
Vertex Attributes



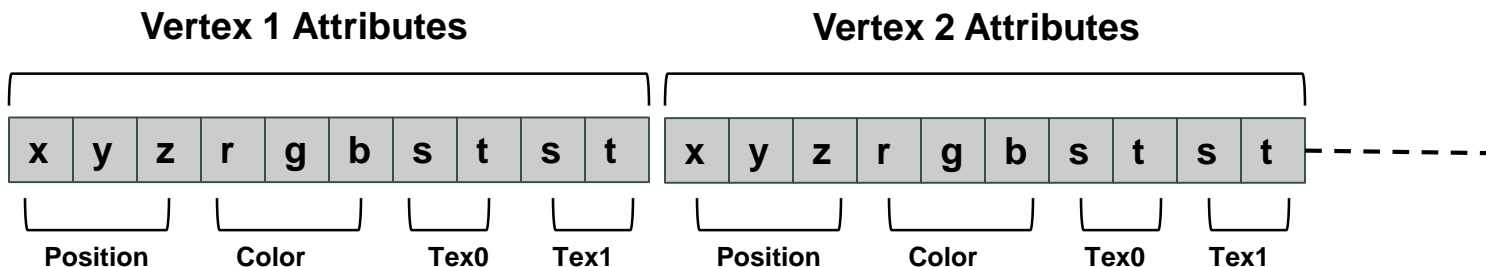
- Vertices can have attributes
 - Position (e.g 20, 12, 18)
 - Color (e.g. red)
 - Normal (x,y,z)
 - Texture coordinates



Vertex Attributes



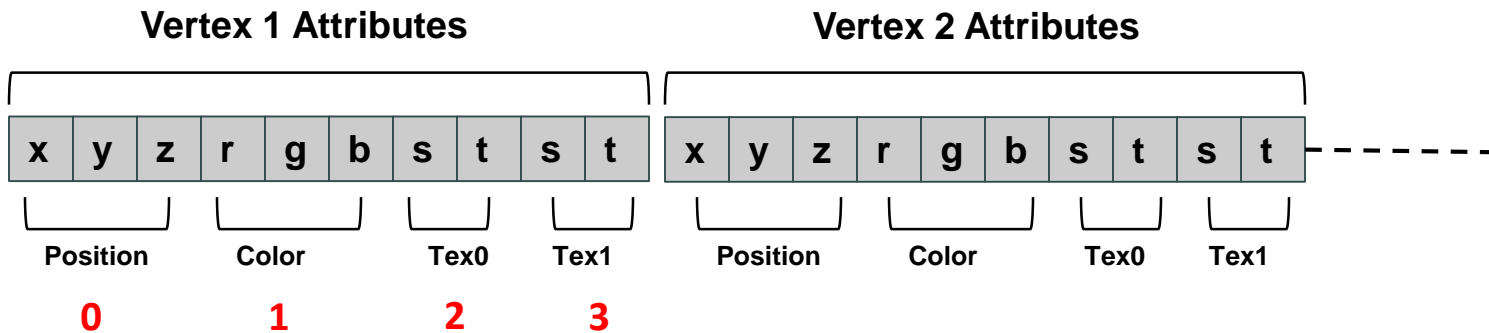
- Store vertex attributes in **single** Array (array of structures)
- **Later:** pass array to OpenGL, specify attributes, order, position using **glVertexAttribPointer**





Declaring Array of Vertex Attributes

- Consider the following array of vertex attributes

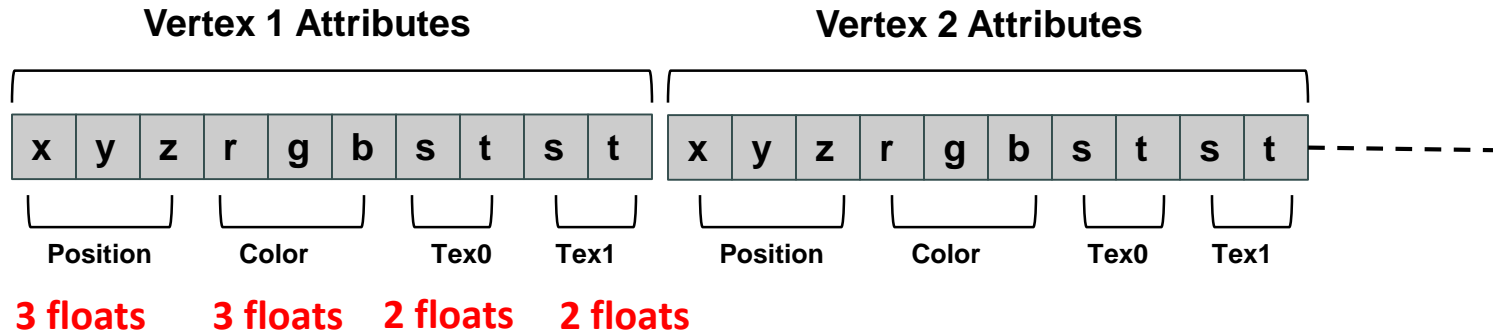


- So we can define attribute positions (per vertex)

```
#define VERTEX_POS_INDEX                   0
#define VERTEX_COLOR_INDEX               1
#define VERTEX_TEXCOORD0_INDX           2
#define VERTEX_TEXCOORD1_INDX           3
```



Declaring Array of Vertex Attributes



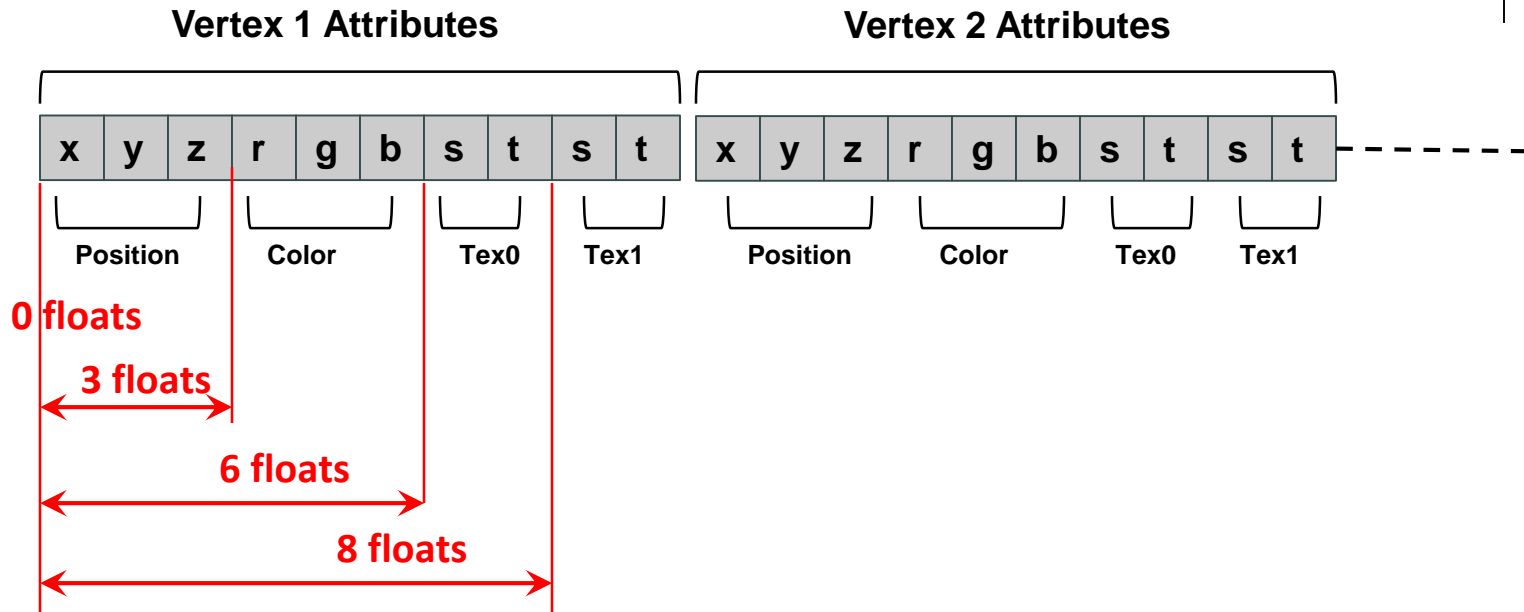
- Also define number of floats (storage) for each vertex attribute

```
#define VERTEX_POS_SIZE          3      // x, y and z
#define VERTEX_COLOR_SIZE       3      // r, g and b
#define VERTEX_TEXCOORD0_SIZE   2      // s and t
#define VERTEX_TEXCOORD1_SIZE   2      // s and t

#define VERTEX_ATTRIB_SIZE      VERTEX_POS_SIZE + VERTEX_COLOR_SIZE + \
                                VERTEX_TEXCOORD0_SIZE + \
                                VERTEX_TEXCOORD1_SIZE
```



Declaring Array of Vertex Attributes

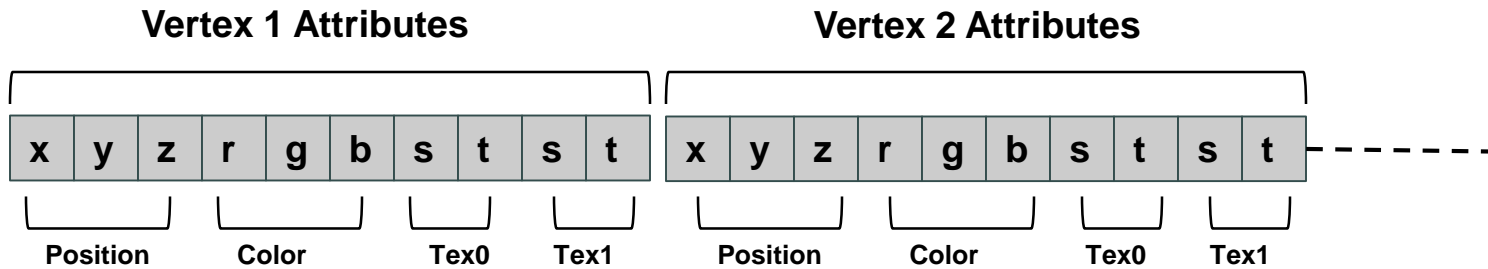


- Define offsets (# of floats) of each vertex attribute from beginning

```
#define VERTEX_POS_OFFSET          0
#define VERTEX_COLOR_OFFSET       3
#define VERTEX_TEXCOORD0_OFFSET   6
#define VERTEX_TEXCOORD1_OFFSET   8
```



Allocating Array of Vertex Attributes



- Allocate memory for entire array of vertex attributes

Recall

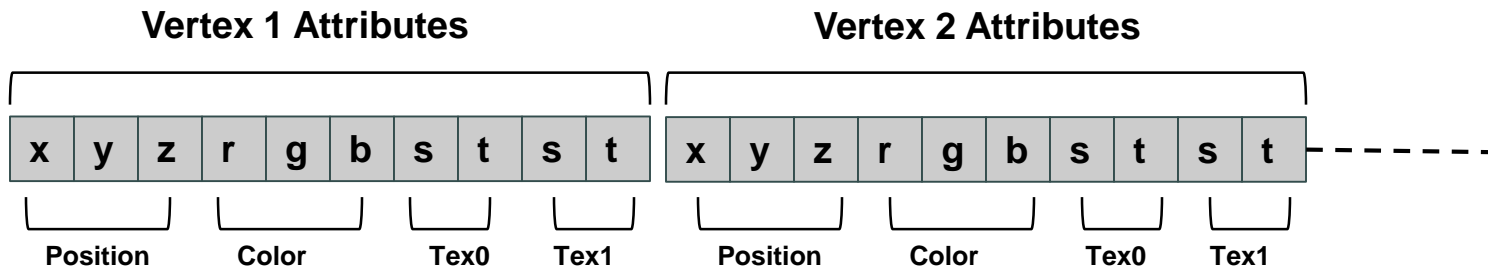
```
#define VERTEX_ATTRIB_SIZE VERTEX_POS_SIZE + VERTEX_COLOR_SIZE + \
    VERTEX_TEXCOORD0_SIZE + \
    VERTEX_TEXCOORD1_SIZE
```

```
float *p = malloc(numVertices * VERTEX_ATTRIB_SIZE * sizeof(float));
```

Allocate memory for all vertices



Specifying Array of Vertex Attributes



- **glVertexAttribPointer** used to specify vertex attributes
- Example: to specify vertex position attribute

```
glVertexAttribPointer(VERTEX_POS_INDX, VERTEX_POS_SIZE,  
GL_FLOAT, GL_FALSE,  
VERTEX_ATTRIB_SIZE * sizeof(float), p);  
glEnableVertexAttribArray(0);
```

Position 0 (points to VERTEX_POS_INDX)

3 values (x, y, z) (points to VERTEX_POS_SIZE)

Data is floats (points to GL_FLOAT)

Data should not Be normalized (points to GL_FALSE)

Stride: distance between consecutive vertices (points to VERTEX_ATTRIB_SIZE * sizeof(float))

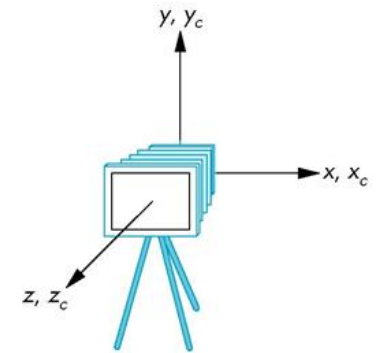
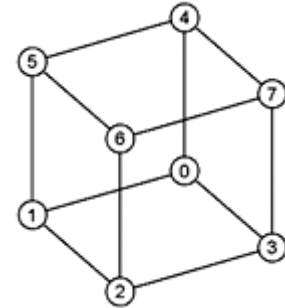
Pointer to data (points to p)

- do same for normal, tex0 and tex1



Full Example: Rotating Cube in 3D

- **Desired Program behaviour:**
 - Draw colored cube
 - Continuous rotation about X,Y or Z axis
 - Idle function called repeatedly when nothing to do
 - Increment angle of rotation in idle function
 - Use 3-button mouse to change direction of rotation
 - Click left button -> rotate cube around X axis
 - Click middle button -> rotate cube around Y axis
 - Click right button -> rotate cube around Z axis
- Use default camera
 - If we don't set camera, we get a default camera
 - Located at origin and points in the negative z direction



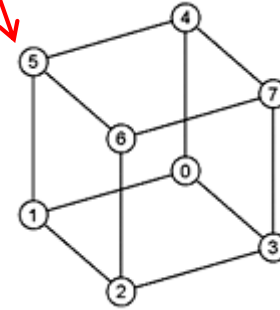
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Cube Vertices



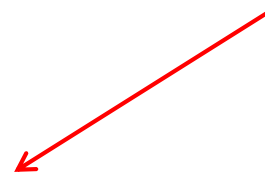
Declare array of (x,y,z,w) vertex positions
for a unit cube centered at origin
(Sides aligned with axes)

```
point4 vertices[8] = {
  0 point4( -0.5, -0.5,  0.5, 1.0 ),
  1 point4( -0.5,  0.5,  0.5, 1.0 ),
  2 point4(  0.5,  0.5,  0.5, 1.0 ),
  3 point4(  0.5, -0.5,  0.5, 1.0 ),
  4 point4( -0.5, -0.5, -0.5, 1.0 ),
  5 point4( -0.5,  0.5, -0.5, 1.0 ),
  6 point4(  0.5,  0.5, -0.5, 1.0 ),
  7 point4(  0.5, -0.5, -0.5, 1.0 )
};
      x      y      z      w
```

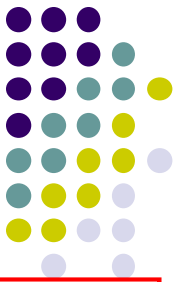


```
color4 vertex_colors[8] = {
  color4( 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 1.0 ), // black
  color4( 1.0, 0.0, 0.0, 1.0 ), // red
  color4( 1.0, 1.0, 0.0, 1.0 ), // yellow
  color4( 0.0, 1.0, 0.0, 1.0 ), // green
  color4( 0.0, 0.0, 1.0, 1.0 ), // blue
  color4( 1.0, 0.0, 1.0, 1.0 ), // magenta
  color4( 1.0, 1.0, 1.0, 1.0 ), // white
  color4( 0.0, 1.0, 1.0, 1.0 ) // cyan
};
      r      g      b      w
```

Declare array of vertex colors
(set of RGBA colors vertex can have)

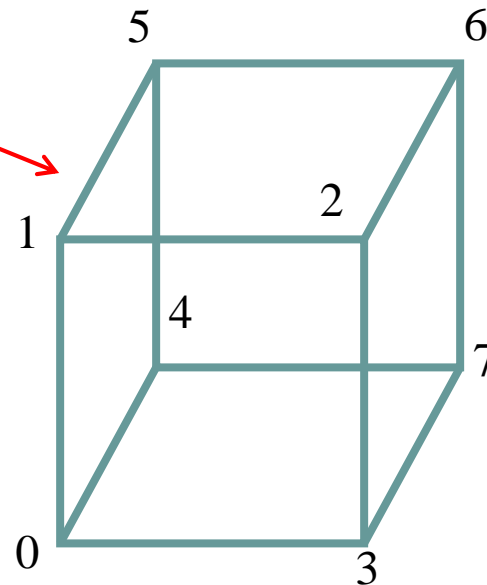


Color Cube



```
// generate 6 quads,  
// sides of cube  
  
void colorcube()  
{  
    quad( 1, 0, 3, 2 );  
    quad( 2, 3, 7, 6 );  
    quad( 3, 0, 4, 7 );  
    quad( 6, 5, 1, 2 );  
    quad( 4, 5, 6, 7 );  
    quad( 5, 4, 0, 1 );  
}
```

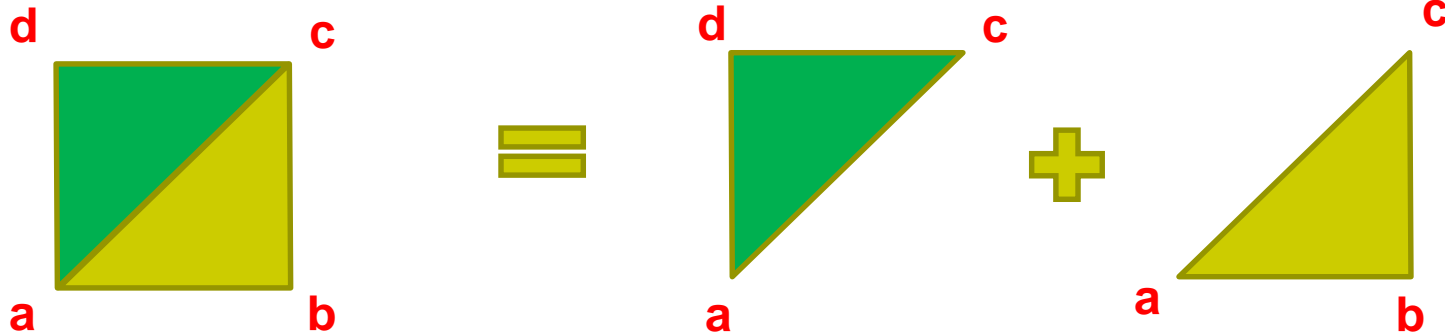
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point4 vertices[8] = {  
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    1 point4( -0.5,  0.5,  0.5, 1.0 ),  
    point4(  0.5,  0.5,  0.5, 1.0 ),  
    point4(  0.5, -0.5,  0.5, 1.0 ),  
    4 point4( -0.5, -0.5, -0.5, 1.0 ),  
    5 point4( -0.5,  0.5, -0.5, 1.0 ),  
    point4(  0.5,  0.5, -0.5, 1.0 ),  
    point4(  0.5, -0.5, -0.5, 1.0 )  
};
```



Function **quad** is
Passed vertex indices



Quad Function



```
// quad generates two triangles (a,b,c) and (a,c,d) for each face  
// and assigns colors to the vertices
```

```
int Index = 0; // Index goes 0 to 5, one for each vertex of face
```

```
void quad( int a, int b, int c, int d )
```

```
{  
  0 colors[Index] = vertex_colors[a]; points[Index] = vertices[a]; Index++;  
  1 colors[Index] = vertex_colors[b]; points[Index] = vertices[b]; Index++;  
  2 colors[Index] = vertex_colors[c]; points[Index] = vertices[c]; Index++;  
  3 colors[Index] = vertex_colors[a]; points[Index] = vertices[a]; Index++;  
  4 colors[Index] = vertex_colors[c]; points[Index] = vertices[c]; Index++;  
  5 colors[Index] = vertex_colors[d]; points[Index] = vertices[d]; Index++;  
}
```

quad 0 = points[0 - 5]
quad 1 = points[6 - 11]
quad 2 = points [12 - 17] ...etc

Points[] array to be
Sent to GPU

Read from appropriate index
of unique positions declared



Initialization I

```
void init()
{
    colorcube(); // Generates cube data in application using quads

    // Create a vertex array object
    GLuint vao;
    glGenVertexArrays ( 1, &vao );
    glBindVertexArray ( vao );

    // Create a buffer object and move data to GPU
    GLuint buffer;
    glGenBuffers( 1, &buffer );
    glBindBuffer( GL_ARRAY_BUFFER, buffer );
    glBufferData( GL_ARRAY_BUFFER, sizeof(points) +
                 sizeof(colors), NULL, GL_STATIC_DRAW );
}
```



Points[] array of vertex
positions sent to GPU

colors[] array of vertex
colors sent to GPU

Initialization II



Send `points[]` and `colors[]` data to GPU separately using `glBufferSubData`

```
glBufferSubData( GL_ARRAY_BUFFER, 0, sizeof(points), points );  
glBufferSubData( GL_ARRAY_BUFFER, sizeof(points), sizeof(colors), colors );
```



```
// Load vertex and fragment shaders and use the resulting shader program  
GLuint program = InitShader( "vshader36.glsl", "fshader36.glsl" );  
glUseProgram( program );
```

Initialization III



```
// set up vertex arrays
```

```
GLuint vPosition = glGetAttribLocation( program, "vPosition" );  
glEnableVertexAttribArray( vPosition );  
glVertexAttribPointer( vPosition, 4, GL_FLOAT, GL_FALSE, 0,   
    BUFFER_OFFSET(0) );
```

Specify vertex data

```
GLuint vColor = glGetAttribLocation( program, "vColor" );  
glEnableVertexAttribArray( vColor );  
glVertexAttribPointer( vColor, 4, GL_FLOAT, GL_FALSE, 0,   
    BUFFER_OFFSET(sizeof(points)) );
```

Specify color data



```
theta = glGetUniformLocation( program, "theta" );
```

Want to Connect rotation variable theta
in program to variable in shader



Display Callback

```
void display( void )
{
    glClear( GL_COLOR_BUFFER_BIT|GL_DEPTH_BUFFER_BIT );

    glUniform3fv( theta, 1, theta );
    glDrawArrays( GL_TRIANGLES, 0, NumVertices );

    glutSwapBuffers();
}
```

Draw series of triangles forming cube

A red arrow originates from the text 'Draw series of triangles forming cube' and points upwards to the line 'glDrawArrays(GL_TRIANGLES, 0, NumVertices);' in the code block above.



Mouse Callback

```
...
enum { Xaxis = 0, Yaxis = 1, Zaxis = 2, NumAxes = 3 };

void mouse( int button, int state, int x, int y )
{
    if ( state == GLUT_DOWN ) {
        switch( button ) {
            case GLUT_LEFT_BUTTON:    axis = Xaxis;  break;
            case GLUT_MIDDLE_BUTTON:   axis = Yaxis;  break;
            case GLUT_RIGHT_BUTTON:    axis = Zaxis;  break;
        }
    }
}
```



Select axis (x,y,z) to rotate around
Using mouse click



Idle Callback

```
void idle( void )  
{  
    theta[axis] += 0.01;  
  
    if ( theta[axis] > 360.0 ) {  
        theta[axis] -= 360.0;  
    }  
  
    glutPostRedisplay();  
}
```

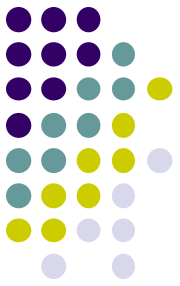
The idle() function is called whenever nothing to do

Use it to increment rotation angle in steps of $\theta = 0.01$ around currently selected axis

```
void main( void ){  
    .....  
  
    glutIdleFunc( idle );  
    .....  
}
```

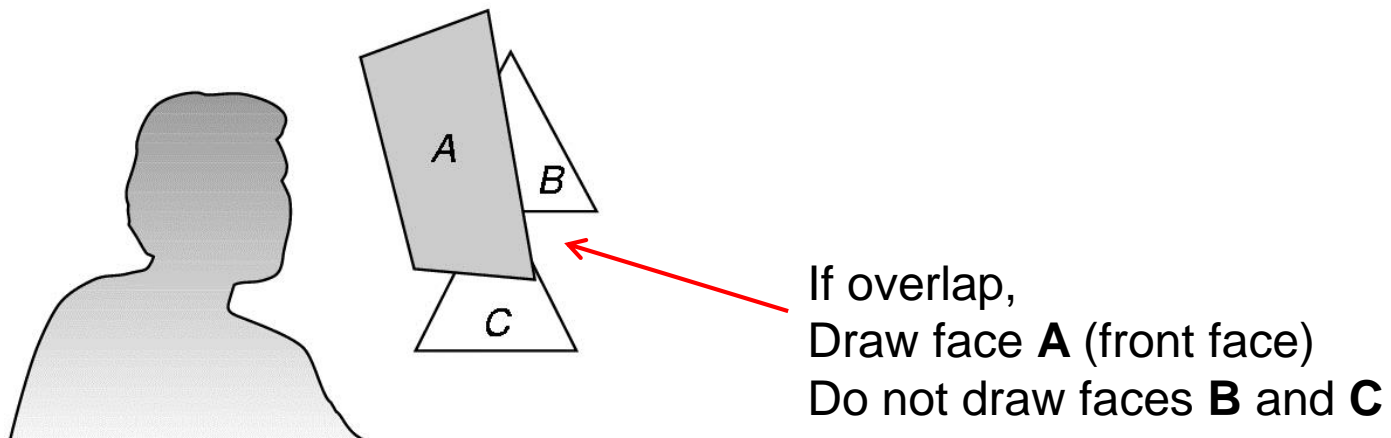
Note: still need to:

- Apply rotation by (theta) in shader



Hidden-Surface Removal

- If multiple surfaces overlap, we want to see only **closest**
- OpenGL uses *hidden-surface* technique called the ***z-buffer*** algorithm
- Z-buffer compares objects distances from viewer (depth) to determine closer objects





Using OpenGL's z-buffer algorithm

- Z-buffer uses an extra buffer, (the z-buffer), to store depth information, compare distance from viewer
- 3 steps to set up Z-buffer:

1. In **main()** function

```
glutInitDisplayMode(GLUT_SINGLE | GLUT_RGB | GLUT_DEPTH)
```

2. Enabled in **init()** function

```
glEnable(GL_DEPTH_TEST)
```

3. Clear depth buffer whenever we clear screen

```
glClear(GL_COLOR_BUFFER_BIT | DEPTH_BUFFER_BIT)
```



3D Mesh file formats

- 3D meshes usually stored in 3D file format
- Format defines how vertices, edges, and faces are declared
- Over 400 different file formats
- **Polygon File Format (PLY)** used a lot in graphics
- Originally PLY was used to store 3D files from 3D scanner
- We will use PLY files in this class

Sample PLY File

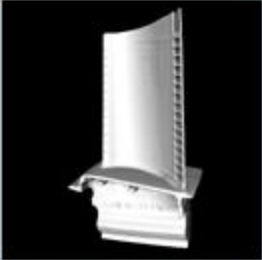



```
ply
format ascii 1.0
comment this is a simple file
obj_info any data, in one line of free form text element vertex 3
property float x
property float y
property float z
element face 1
property list uchar int vertex_indices
end_header
-1 0 0
0 1 0
1 0 0
3 0 1 2
```

Georgia Tech Large Models Archive






Stanford Bunny



Turbine Blade

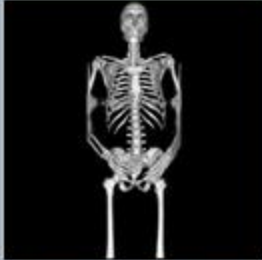

Skeleton Hand

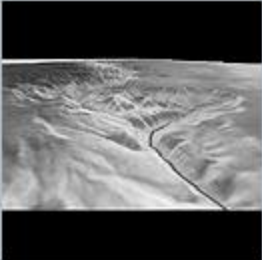

Dragon

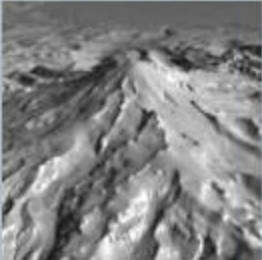

Happy Buddha



Horse


Visible Man Skin

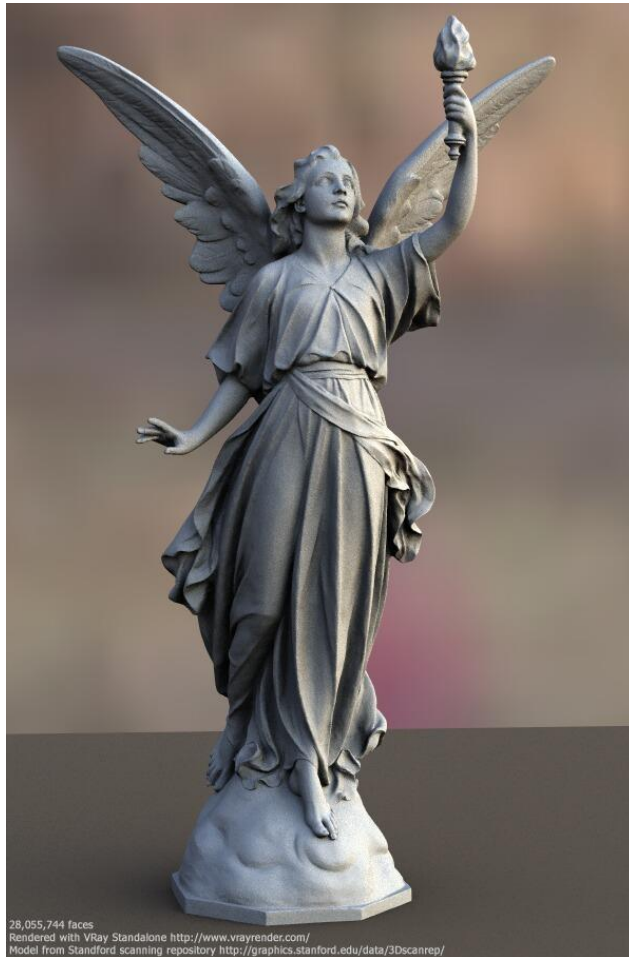

Visible Man Bone


Grand Canyon


Puget Sound


Angel

Stanford 3D Scanning Repository



Lucy: 28 million faces



Happy Buddha: 9 million faces



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