




Chapter 2

Basics of Computer Graphics: Rendering Pipeline/OpenGL




Your tasks for the weekend


- Piazza Discussion Group:
 - Register
 - Post review questions by Mon noon
 - Use private option, rev1 tag
- Start Assignment 1
 - Test programming environment on lab computers/Set laptop environment (optional)




Assignment 1




- Experience OpenGL & GLUT
- Have FUN
- Description:
<http://www.ugrad.cs.ubc.ca/~cs314/Vsep2013/a1/a1.pdf>
- Deadline: Sep 20




Your tasks for the weekend



- Sign and Submit Plagiarism Form
 - <http://www.ugrad.cs.ubc.ca/~cs314/Vsep2013/plag.html>
- Optional reading (Shirley: Introduction to CG)
 - Math refresher: Chapters 2, 4
 - **Lots of math coming in the next few weeks**
 - Background on graphics: Chapter 1



Rendering



Goal:


- Transform (3D) computer models into images
- Photo-realistic (or not)

Interactive rendering:


- Fast, but (until recently) low quality
- Roughly follows a fixed pattern of operations
 - **Rendering Pipeline**

Offline rendering:

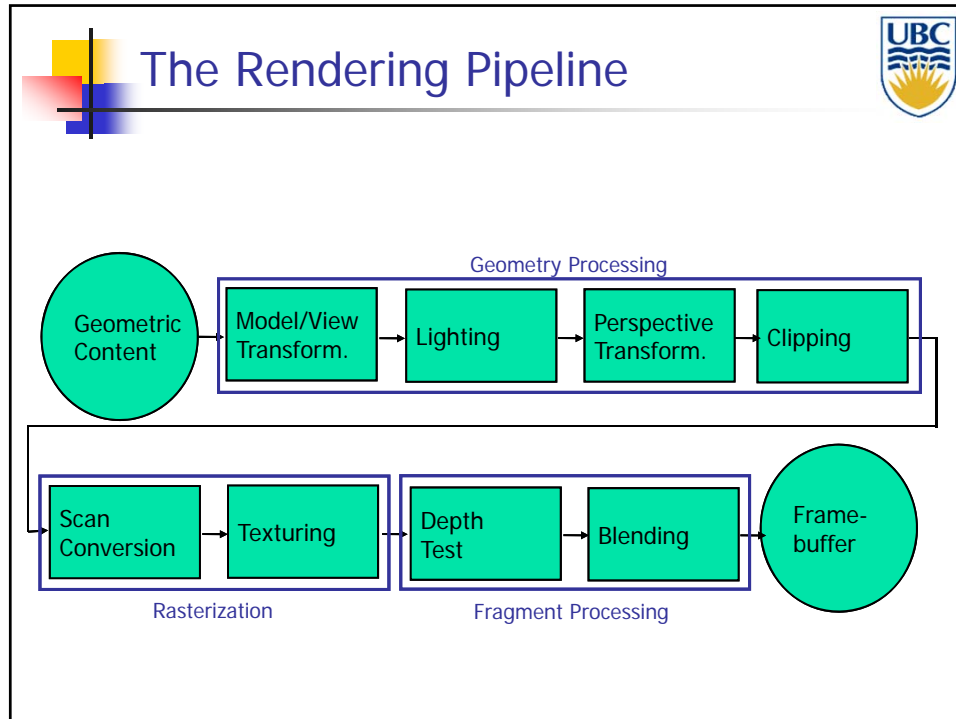
- Ray-tracing
- Global illumination




Rendering Tasks (no particular order)




- Project 3D geometry onto image plane
 - Geometric transformations
- Determine which primitives/parts of primitives are visible
 - Hidden surface removal
- Determine which pixels geometric primitive covers
 - Scan conversion
- Compute color of every visible surface point
 - Lighting, shading, texture mapping




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- Abstract model of
 - sequence of operations to transform geometric model into digital image
 - graphics hardware workflow
 - Underlying API (application programming interface) model for programming graphics hardware
 - OpenGL
 - Direct 3D
 - **Actual implementations vary**




Clicker Question





- Which of the tasks below is not part of the rendering pipeline?
 - A. Scan Conversion
 - B. Viewing Transformation
 - C. Modeling
 - D. Lighting





(Tentative) Lecture Syllabus



- Introduction + Rendering Pipeline (week 1/2)
- Transformations (week 2/3)
- Scan Conversion (week 4/5)
- Clipping (week 5)
- Hidden Surface Removal (week 6/7)
- Review & Midterm (week 7)
 - Midterm: Oct 18
- Lighting Models (week 8)
- Texture mapping (week 9/10)
- Review & Midterm (week 10)
 - Midterm: Nov 8
- Ray Tracing (week 11)
- Shadows (week 11/12)
- Modeling (content creation) (week 12/13)
- Review (last lecture)




Rendering Pipeline Implementation: OpenGL/GLut




OpenGL

- API for graphics hardware
 - Started in 1989 by Kurt Akeley
- Designed to exploit graphics hardware
- Implemented on many different platforms

- **Pipeline processing**
 - **Event driven**
 - **Communication via state setting**



GLUT: OpenGL Utility Toolkit




- **Event driven !!!**

```
int main(int argc, char **argv)
{
    // Initialize GLUT and open a window.
    glutInit(&argc, argv);
    glutInitDisplayMode(GLUT_RGB | GLUT_DOUBLE);
    glutInitWindowSize(800, 600);
    glutCreateWindow(argv[0]);


    // Register a bunch of callbacks for GLUT events.
    glutDisplayFunc(display);
    glutReshapeFunc(reshape);

    // Pass control to GLUT.
    glutMainLoop();


    return 0;
}
```




Event-Driven Programming




- Main loop not under your control
 - vs. procedural
- Control flow through event **callbacks**
 - redraw the window now
 - key was pressed
 - mouse moved
- Callback functions called from main loop **when events occur**
 - mouse/keyboard, redrawing...




Graphics State (global variables)



- Set state once, remains until overwritten
 - glColor3f(1.0, 1.0, 0.0) → set color to yellow
 - glClearColor(0.0, 0.0, 0.2) → dark blue bg
 - glEnable(LIGHT0) → turn on light
 - glEnable(GL_DEPTH_TEST) → hidden surf.



OpenGL/GLUT Example




```
void display(void) { // Called when need to redraw screen.
    // Clear the buffer we will draw into.
    glClearColor(0, 0, 0, 1);
    glClear(GL_COLOR_BUFFER_BIT);


    // Initialize the modelview matrix.
    glMatrixMode(GL_MODELVIEW);
    glLoadIdentity();

    // Draw STUFF

    // Make the buffer we just drew into visible.
    glutSwapBuffers();
}
```





GLUT Example




```
int main(int argc, char *argv[]) {
    .....
    // Schedule the first animation callback ASAP.
    glutTimerFunc(0, animate, 0);
    // Pass control to GLUT.
    glutMainLoop();
    return 0;
}

void animate(int last_frame = 0) {
    // Do stuff
    // Schedule the next frame.
    int current_time = glutGet(GLUT_ELAPSED_TIME);
    int next_frame = last_frame + 1000 / 30;
    glutTimerFunc(MAX(0, next_frame - current_time),
        animate, current_time);
}
```




GLUT Input Events




```
// you supply these kind of functions
void reshape(int w, int h);
void keyboard(unsigned char key, int x, int y);
void mouse(int but, int state, int x, int y);

// register them with glut
glutReshapeFunc(reshape);
glutKeyboardFunc(keyboard);
glutMouseFunc(mouse);
```




GLUT and GLU primitives




```
gluSphere(...)  
gluCylinder(...)  
  
glutSolidSphere(GLdouble radius, GLint slices, GLint stacks)  
glutWireSphere(...)  
  
glutSolidCube(GLdouble size)  
glutWireCube(...)  
  
glutSolidTorus(...)  
glutWireTorus(...)  
  
glutSolidTeapot(...)  
glutWireTeapot(...)
```

- Note:
 - Have limited set of parameters
 - Control via global transformations (see a1 template)
 - **Need to save/restore setting**




GLUT and GLU primitives




- Example (from a1):

```
void Turtle::draw() {  
    glPushMatrix(); → Save previous state  
    glTranslatef(x_, y_, 0);  
    // Turtle shell.  
    glColor4fv(shell_);  
    glBegin(GL_POLYGON);  
    for (double i = 0; i < M_PI; i += M_PI / 12)  
        glVertex3f(cos(i) * radius_, sin(i) * radius_, 0.0);  
    glEnd();  
    .....  
    glPopMatrix(); → Restore previous state  
}
```




GLUT and GLU primitives




- Basic Transformations:

```
// Different basic transformations
glTranslatef(...);
glRotatef(...);
glScalef(...);
```



Lighting





```
void setup_lighting(void) {
    // Turn on lighting, and two local lights.
    glEnable(GL_LIGHTING);
    glEnable(GL_LIGHT0);
    glEnable(GL_LIGHT1);
    glEnable(GL_COLOR_MATERIAL);



    // Set the intensity of the global ambient light.
    float ambient[] = {0.3, 0.3, 0.3, 1.0};
    glLightModelfv(GL_LIGHT_MODEL_AMBIENT, ambient);

    // Set up the diffuse intensities of the local light source.
    float diffuse[][4] = {
        0.8, 0.8, 0.8, 1,
        0.2, 0.2, 0.2, 1,
    };
    glLightfv(GL_LIGHT0, GL_DIFFUSE, diffuse[0]);
    glLightfv(GL_LIGHT1, GL_DIFFUSE, diffuse[1]);

    // Move the light near the top corner of the window.
    float light_positions[][4] = {
        0, 1, 2, 0, // From above-left
        0, -5, 0, 0, // From below
    };
    glLightfv(GL_LIGHT0, GL_POSITION, light_positions[0]);
    glLightfv(GL_LIGHT1, GL_POSITION, light_positions[1]);
}
```

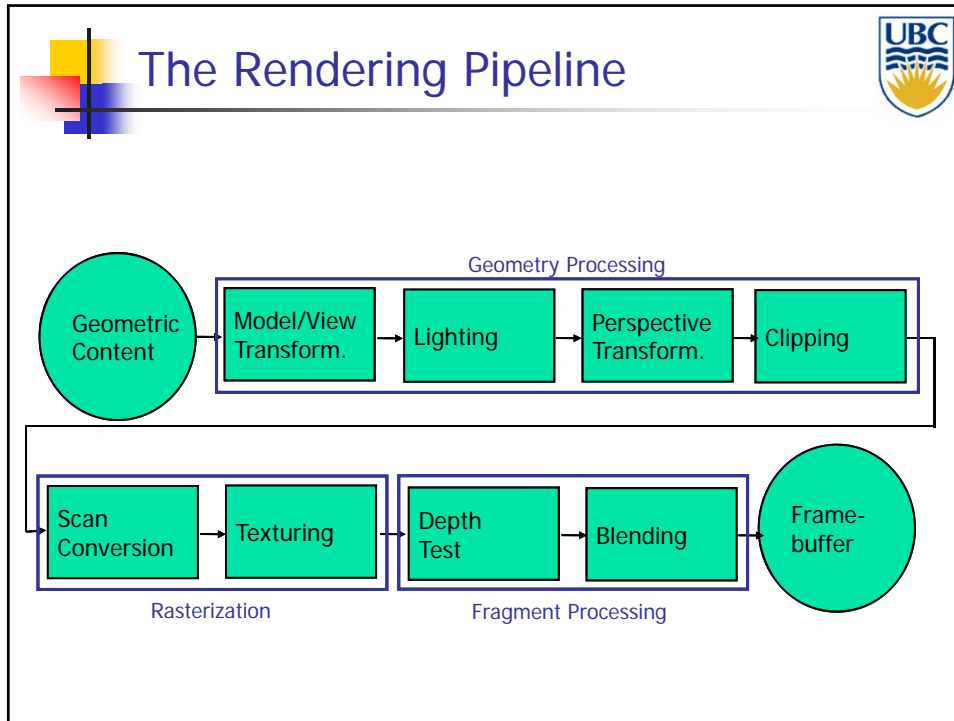


Rendering Pipeline in (More) Detail




Clicker Question


- What does the function 'glutMainLoop' do?
 - A. Nothing
 - B. Calls rendering pipeline
 - C. Creates 3D content
 - D. Computes scene lighting



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- 3D Content
- Needs to represent models for
 - Shapes (objects)
 - Relations between different shapes
 - Object materials
 - Light sources
 - Camera
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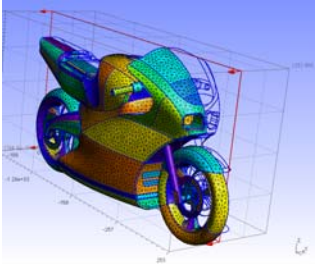
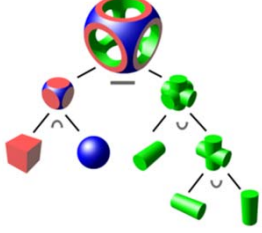



Shapes: Representation options




- Volumetric - Boolean algebra with volumetric primitives
 - Spheres, cones, cylinders, tori, ...

- Boundary representation – union of surface patches
 - Single basic primitive - Triangle Mesh
 - Higher order surface/curve primitives






Shapes - Curves/Surfaces




- Mathematical representations:
 - Explicit functions

 - Parametric functions


 - Implicit functions




Shapes: Explicit Functions



- Curves:
 - y is a function of x : $y := \sin(x)$
 - Only works in 2D
- Surfaces:
 - z is a function of x and y : $z := \sin(x) + \cos(y)$
 - Cannot define arbitrary shapes in 3D




Shapes: Parametric Functions




- Curves:
 - 2D: x and y are functions of a parameter value t
 - 3D: x , y , and z are functions of a parameter value t


$$C(t) := \begin{pmatrix} \cos(t) \\ \sin(t) \\ t \end{pmatrix}$$




Shapes: Parametric Functions



- Surfaces:
 - Surface S is defined as a function of parameter values s, t
 - Names of parameters can be different to match intuition:


$$S(\phi, \theta) := \begin{pmatrix} \cos(\phi) \cos(\theta) \\ \sin(\phi) \cos(\theta) \\ \sin(\theta) \end{pmatrix}$$


Shapes: Implicit




- Surface (3D) or Curve (2D) defined by zero set (roots) of function
 - E.g:

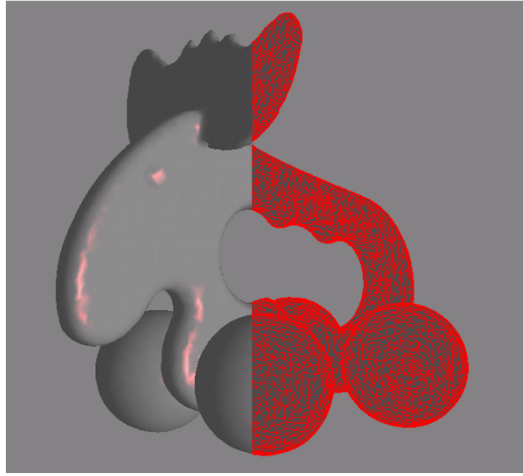
$$S(x, y, z) : x^2 + y^2 + z^2 - 1 = 0$$




Shapes: Triangle Meshes




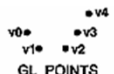
- Triangle = 3 vertices



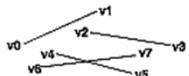


Open GL: (More) Shape Primitives

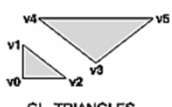




GL_POINTS



GL_LINES

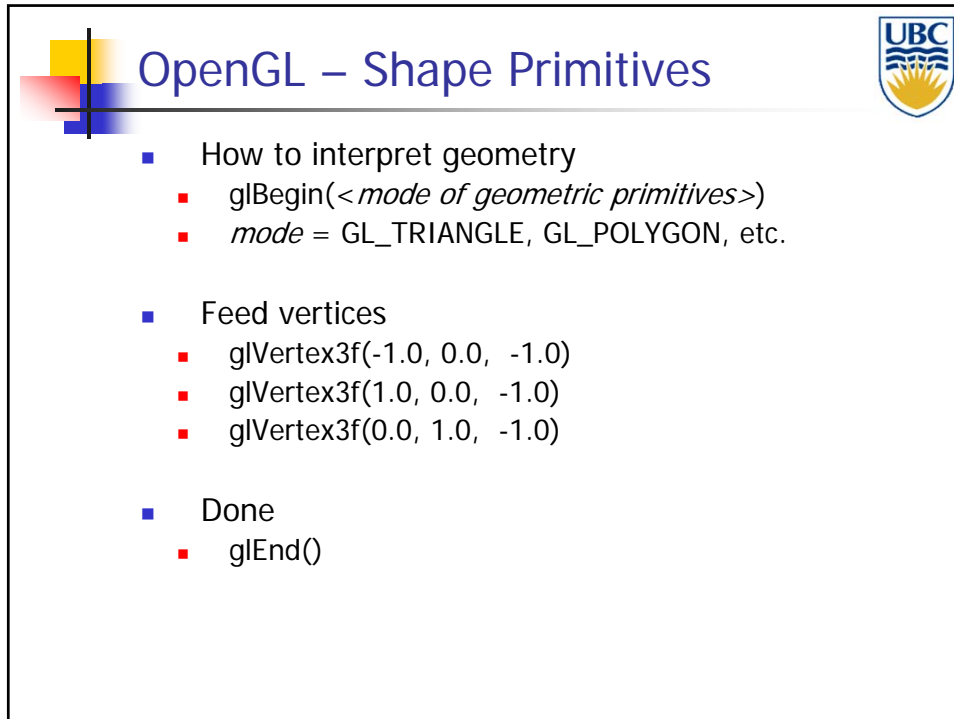


GL_TRIANGLES

```
glPointSize( float size);  
glLineWidth( float width);  
glColor3f( float r, float g, float b);  
....
```

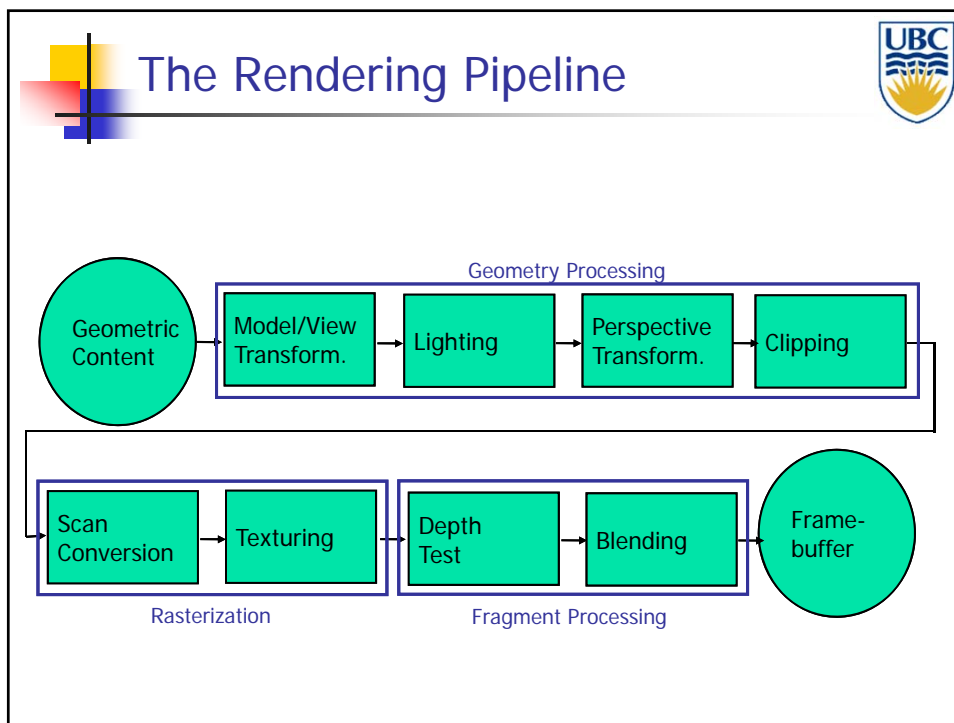
- TRIANGLE...


```
glColor3f(0,1,0);  
glBegin( GL_TRIANGLES );  
  
glVertex3f( 0.0f, 0.5f, 0.0f );  
glVertex3f( -0.5f, -0.5f, 0.0f );  
glVertex3f( 0.5f, -0.5f, 0.0f );  
  
glEnd();
```




OpenGL – Shape Primitives

- How to interpret geometry
 - `glBegin(<mode of geometric primitives>)`
 - `mode = GL_TRIANGLE, GL_POLYGON, etc.`
- Feed vertices
 - `glVertex3f(-1.0, 0.0, -1.0)`
 - `glVertex3f(1.0, 0.0, -1.0)`
 - `glVertex3f(0.0, 1.0, -1.0)`
- Done
 - `glEnd()`

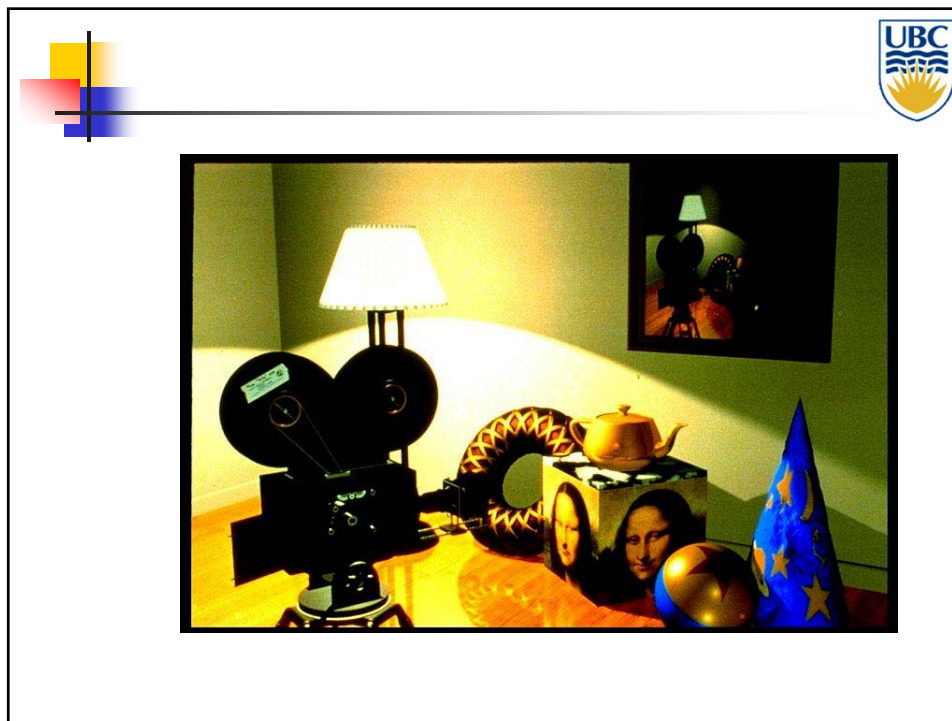


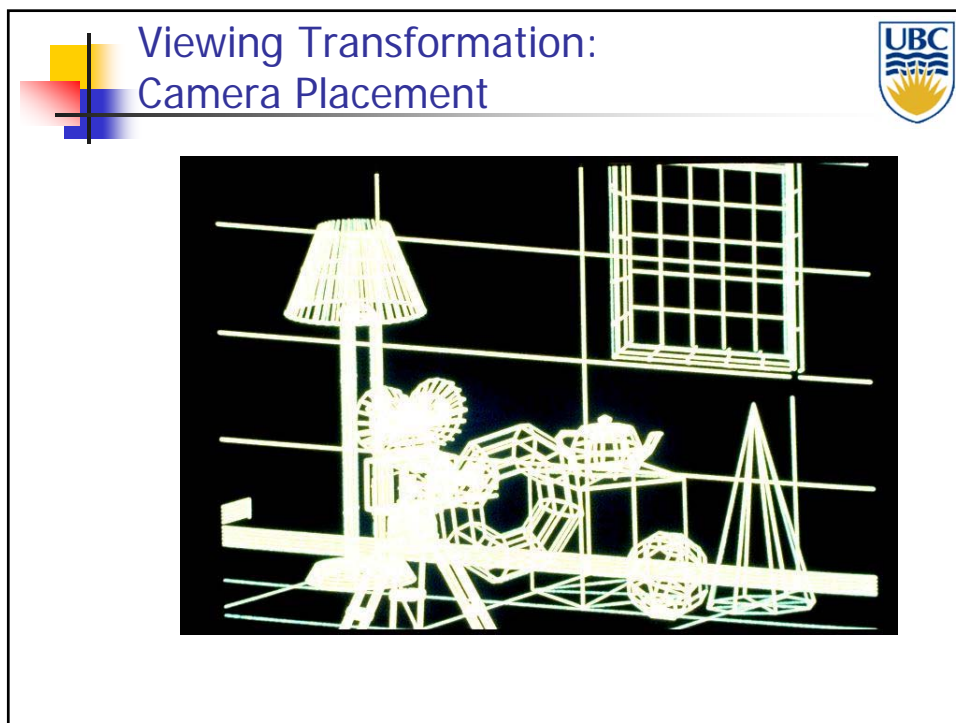
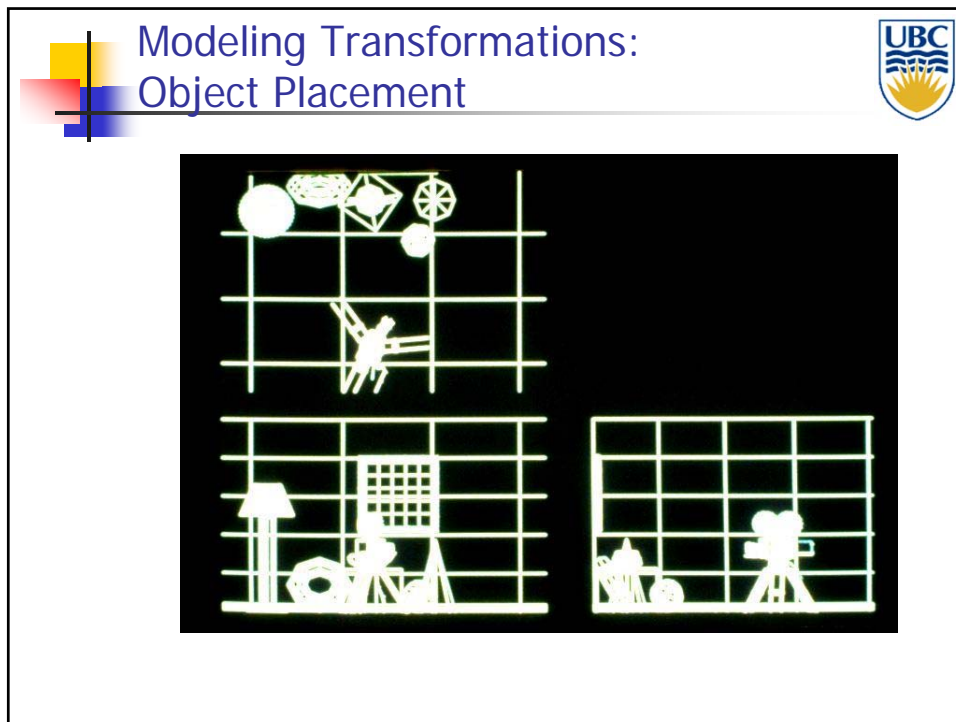




Modeling and Viewing Transformations



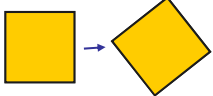
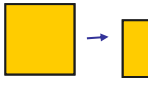
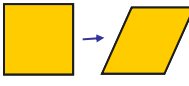
- Placing objects - Modeling transformations
 - Map points from object coordinate system to world coordinate system
- Placing camera - Viewing transformation
 - Map points from world coordinate system to camera (or eye) coordinate system

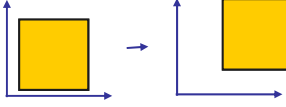







 Modeling & Viewing Transformations 

- Types of transformations:
 - Rotations, scaling, shearing


  

- Translations 
- Other transformations (not handled by rendering pipeline):
 - Freeform deformation 


 Modeling & Viewing Transformation 

- Linear transformations
 - Rotations, scaling, shearing
 - Can be expressed as 3x3 matrix
 - E.g. scaling (non uniform):

$$\begin{pmatrix} x' \\ y' \\ z' \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix}$$



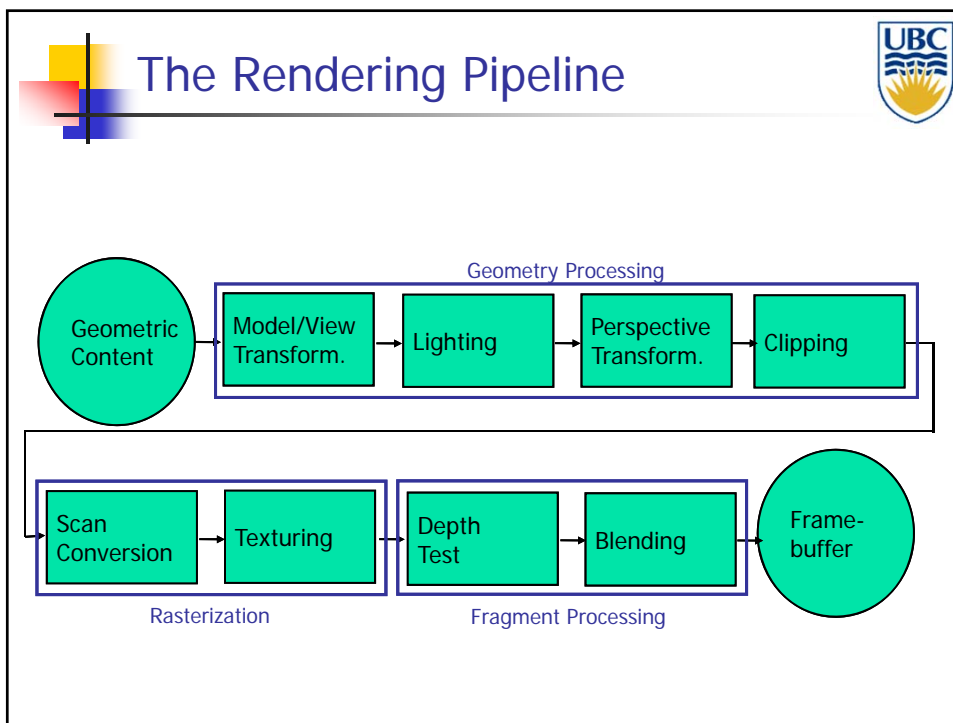
Modeling & Viewing Transformation

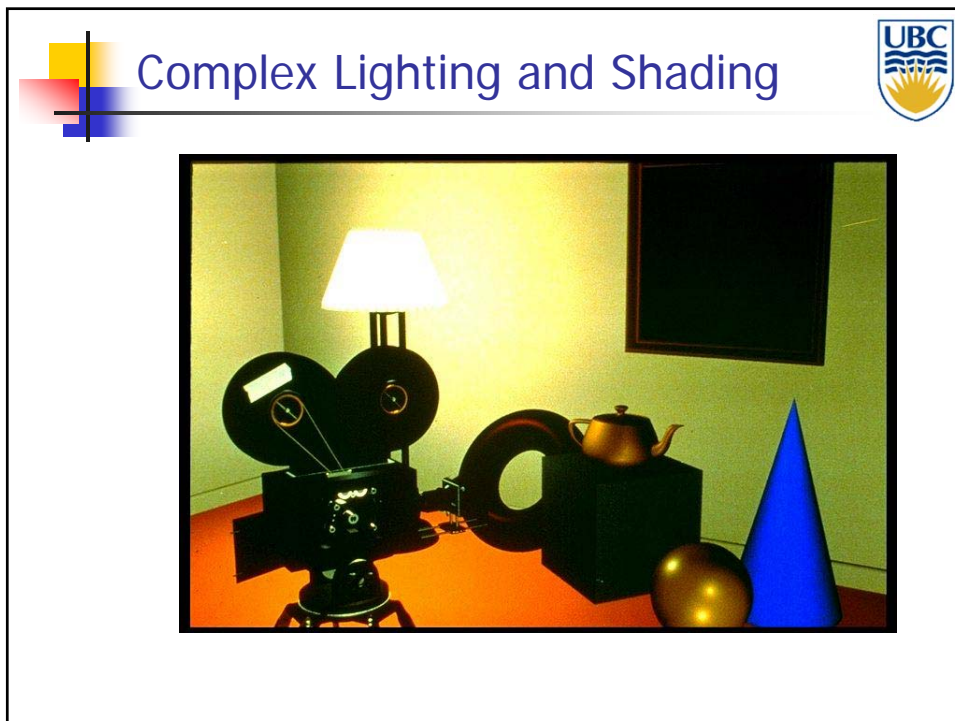
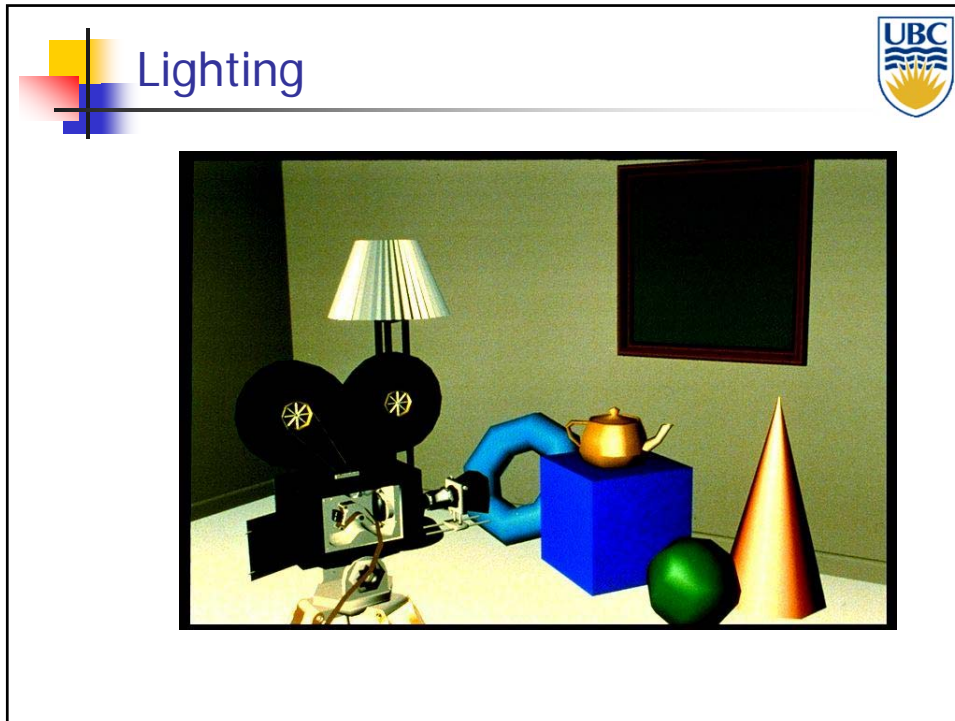


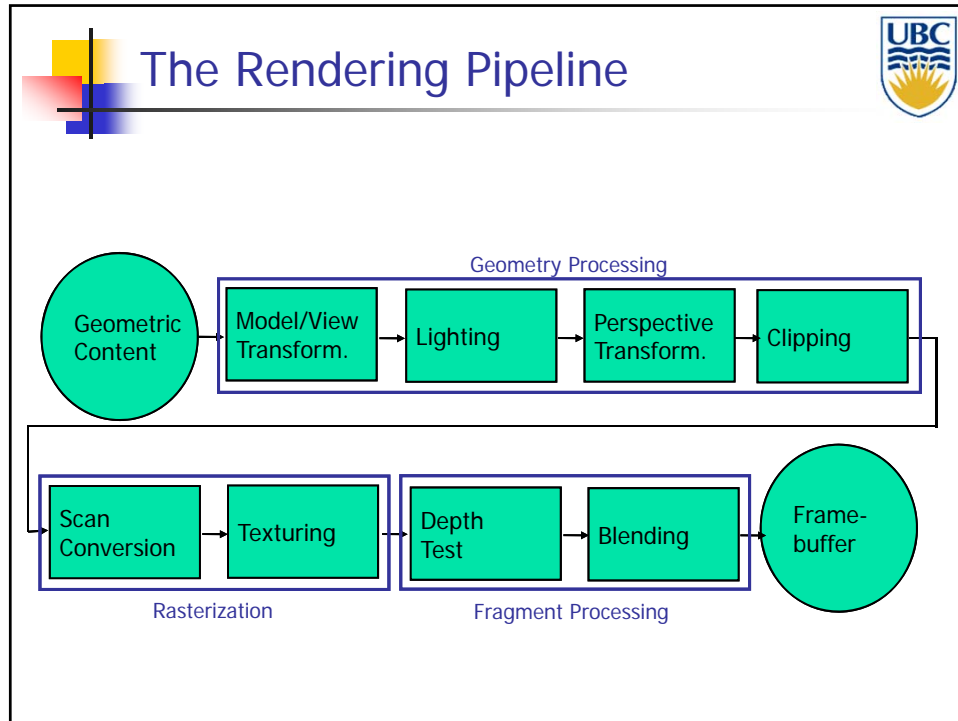
- Affine transformations
 - Linear transformations + translations
 - Can be expressed as 3x3 matrix + 3 vector
 - E.g. scale+ translation:

$$\begin{pmatrix} x' \\ y' \\ z' \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} t_x \\ t_y \\ t_z \end{pmatrix}$$

- Another representation: 4x4 homogeneous matrix



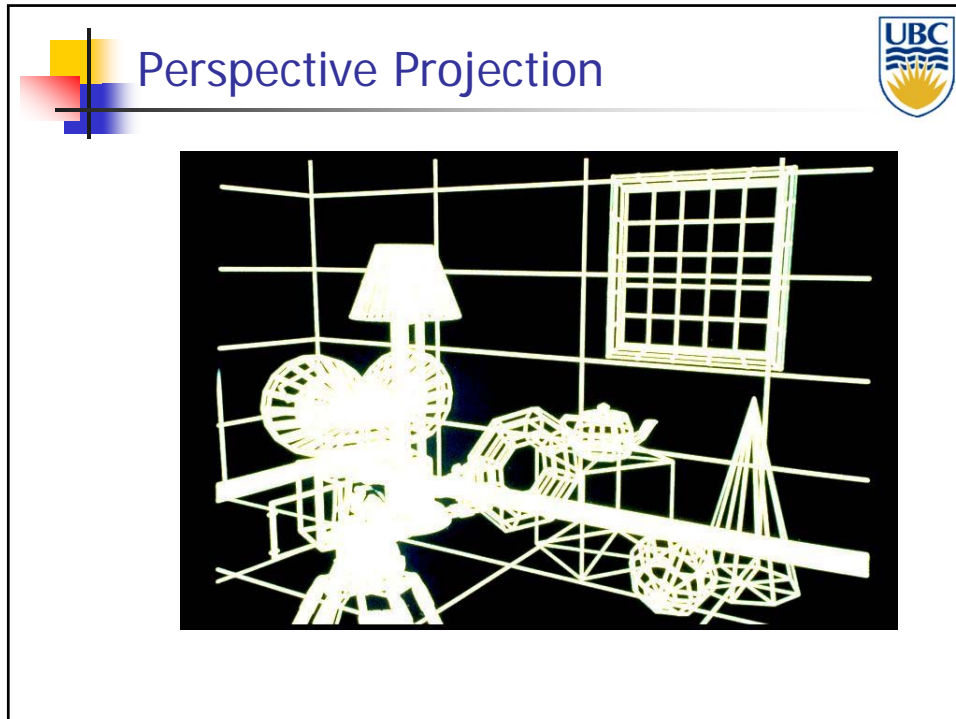




Perspective Transformation

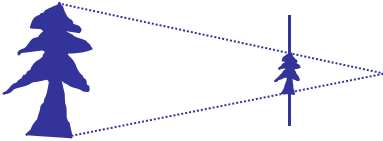
- Purpose:
 - Project 3D geometry to 2D image plane
 - Simulates a camera
- Camera model:
 - Pinhole camera (single view point)
 - More complex camera models exist, but are less common in CG

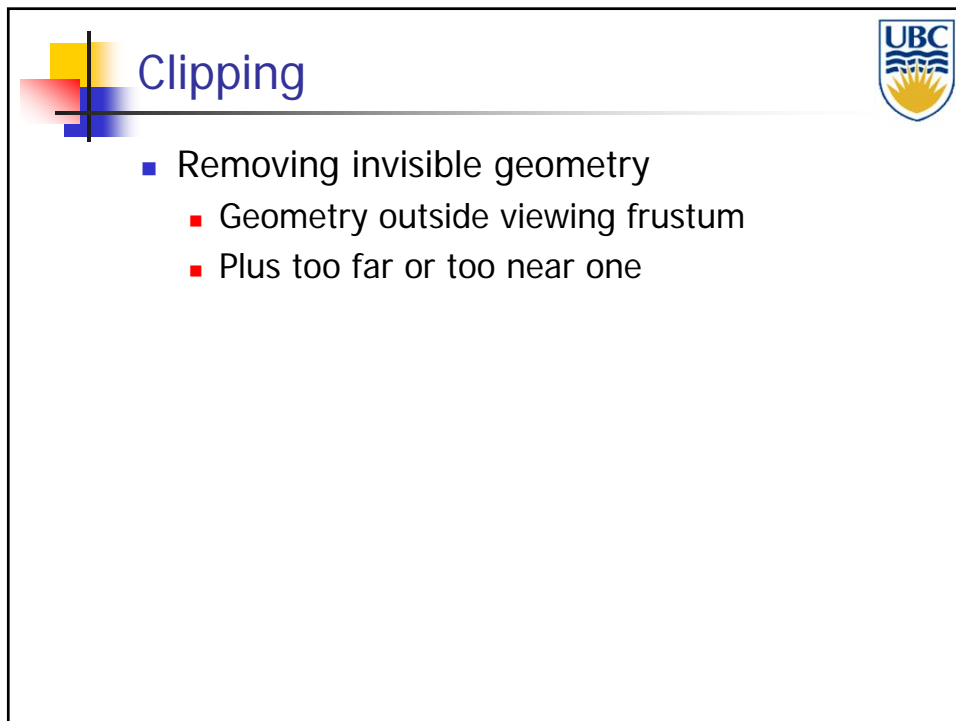
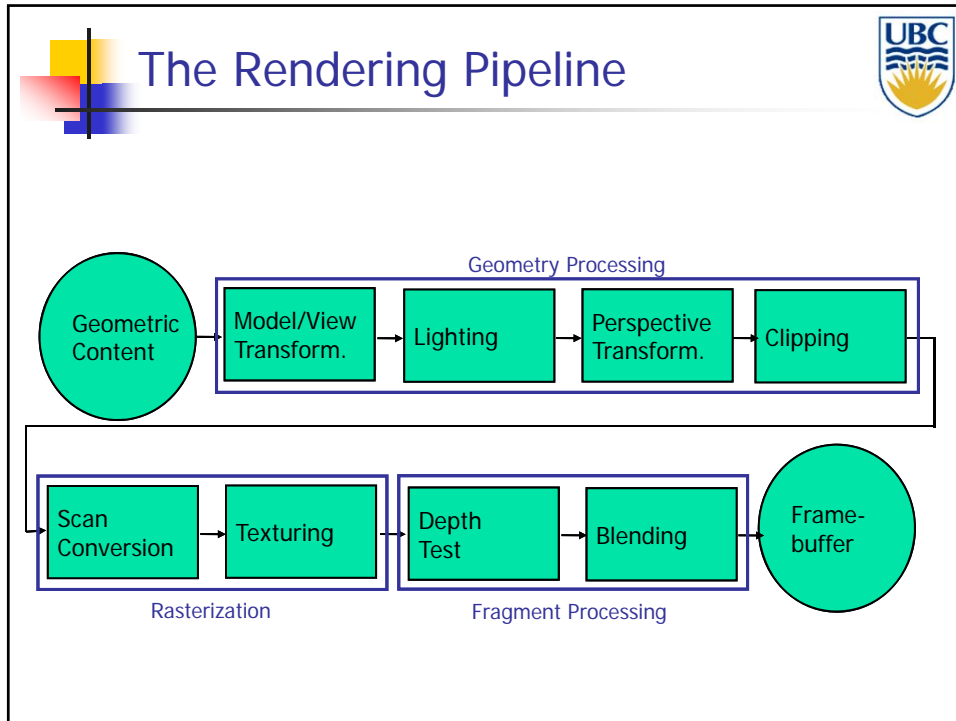
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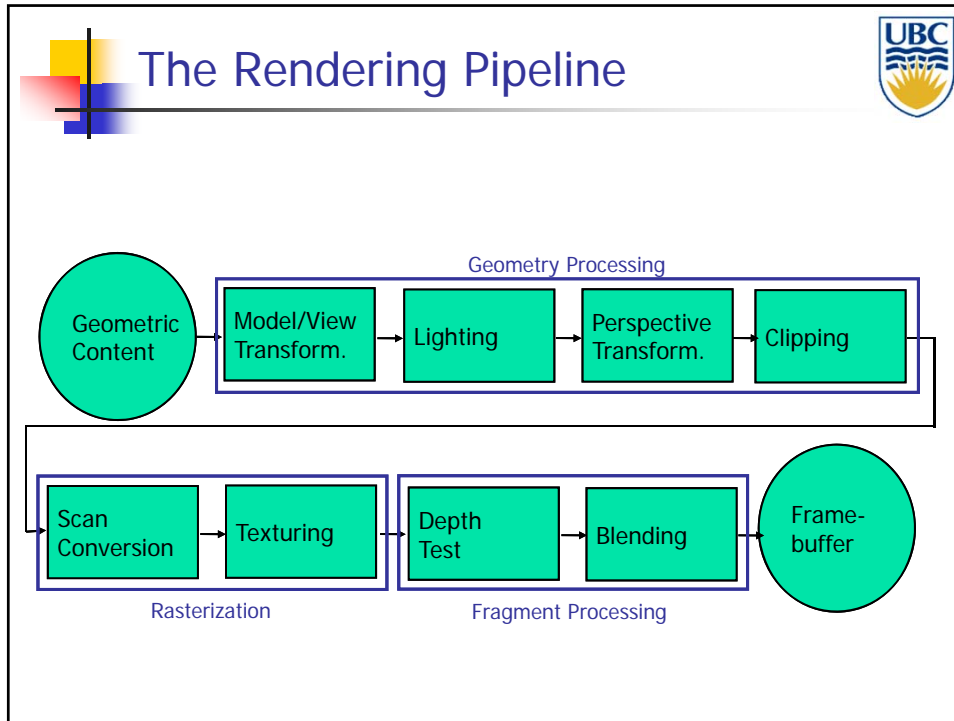


Perspective Transformation

- In computer graphics:
 - Image plane conceptually in front of center of projection
- Perspective transformations – subset of projective transformations
- Linear & affine transformations also belong to this class
- All projective transformations can be expressed as 4x4 matrix operations




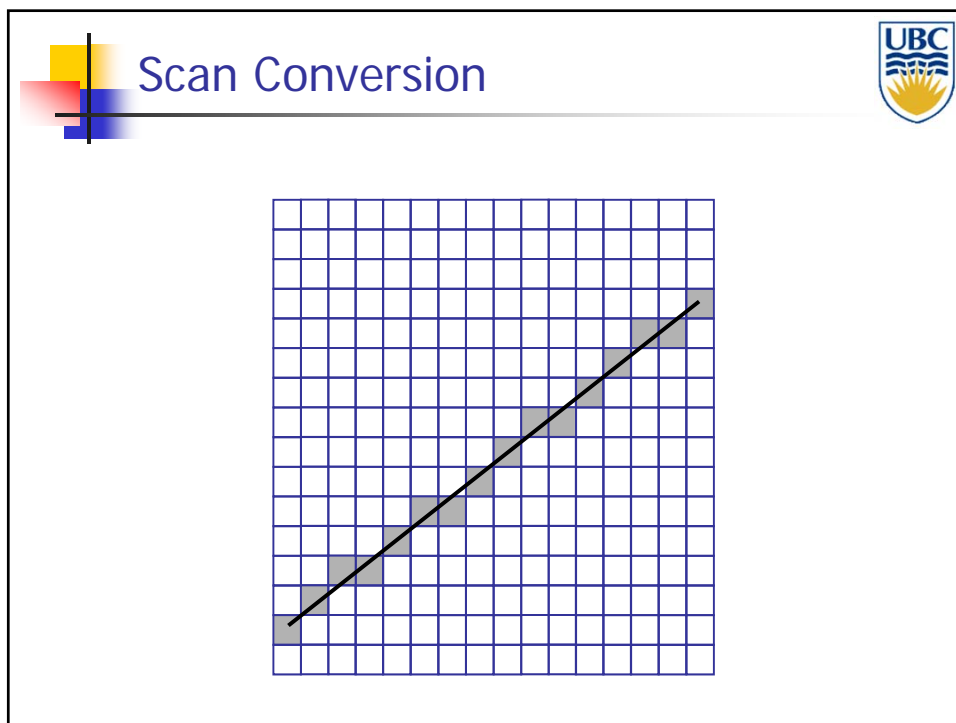
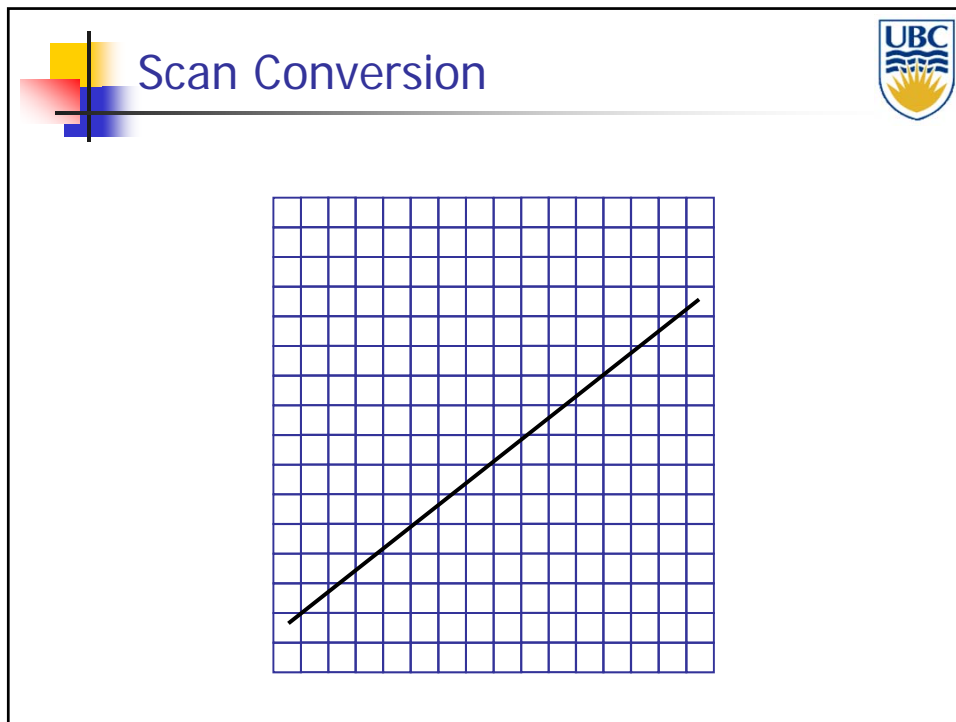





Scan Conversion/Rasterization


- Convert continuous 2D geometry to discrete
- Raster display – discrete grid of elements
- Terminology
 - **Pixel:** basic element on device
 - **Resolution:** number of rows & columns in device
 - Measured in
 - Absolute values (1K x 1K)
 - Density values (300 dots per inch)
 - **Screen Space:** Discrete 2D Cartesian coordinate system of the screen pixels









Scan Conversion

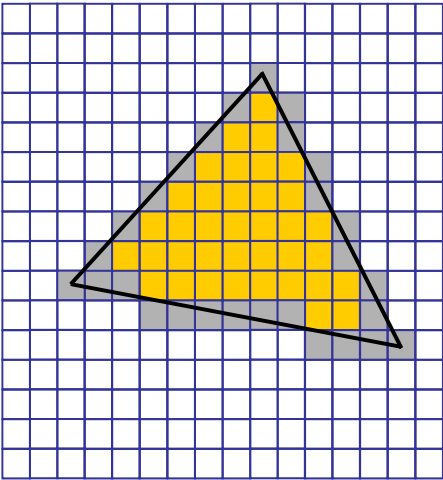



- Problem:
 - Line is infinitely thin, but image has finite resolution
 - Results in steps rather than a smooth line
 - Jaggies
 - Aliasing
 - One of the fundamental problems in computer graphics




Scan Conversion



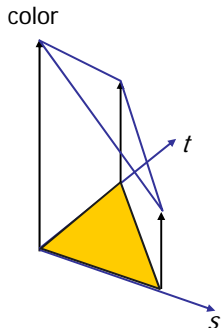
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Scan Conversion




- Color interpolation
 - Linearly interpolate per-pixel color from vertex color values
 - Treat every channel of RGB color separately



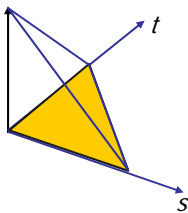


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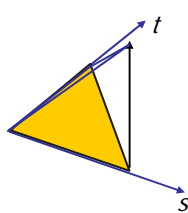


- Color interpolation
 - Example:

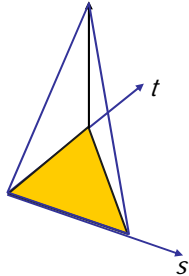
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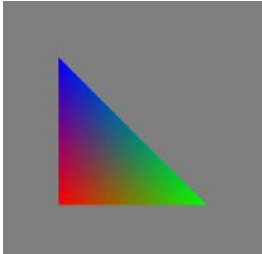


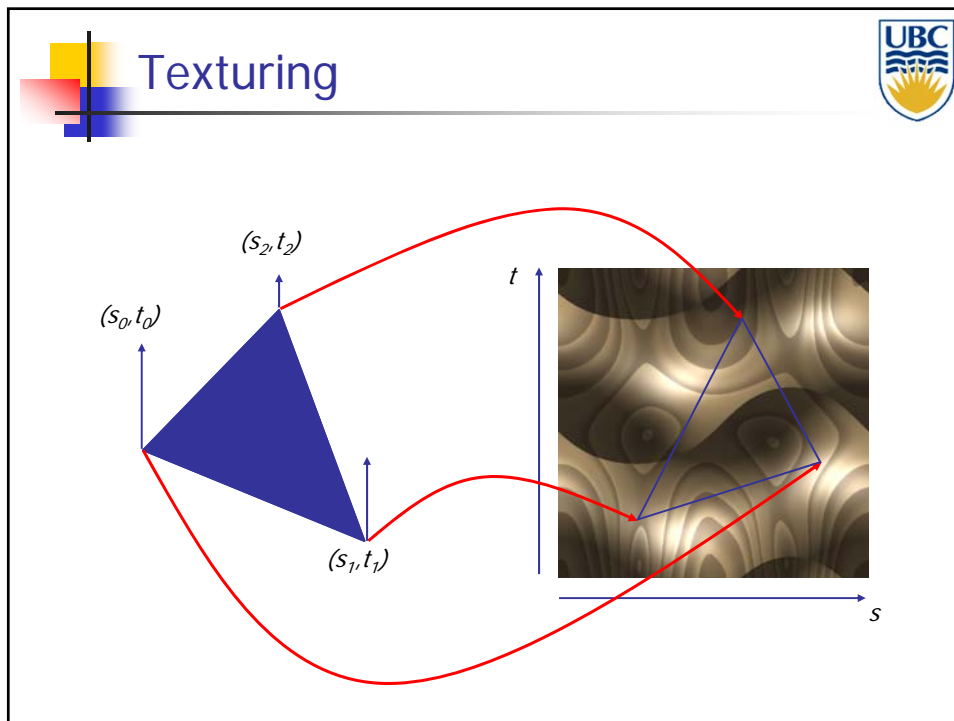
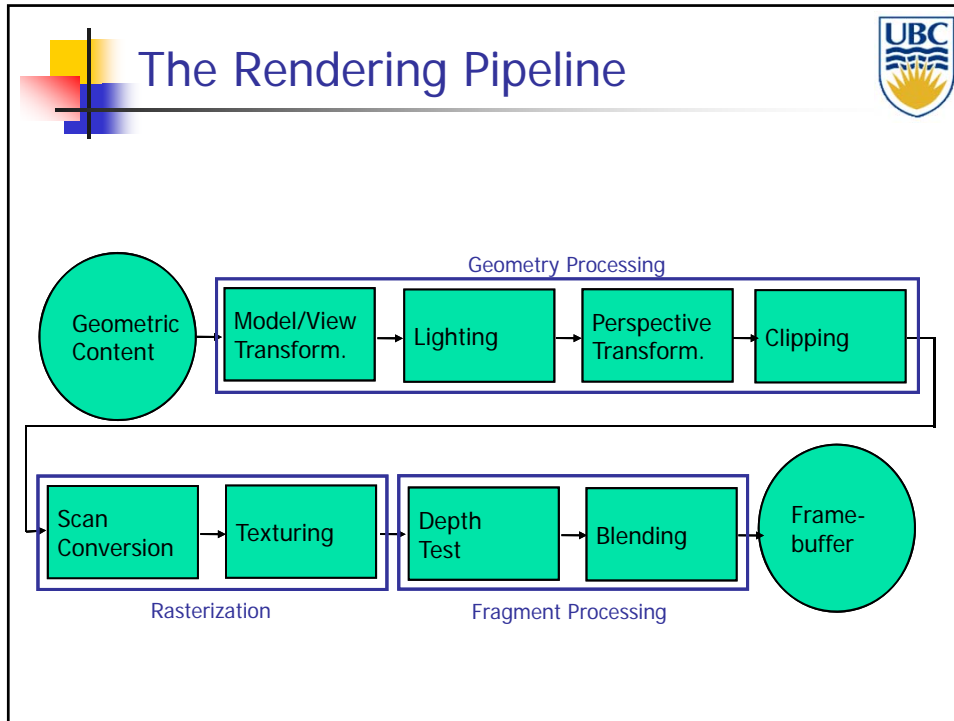
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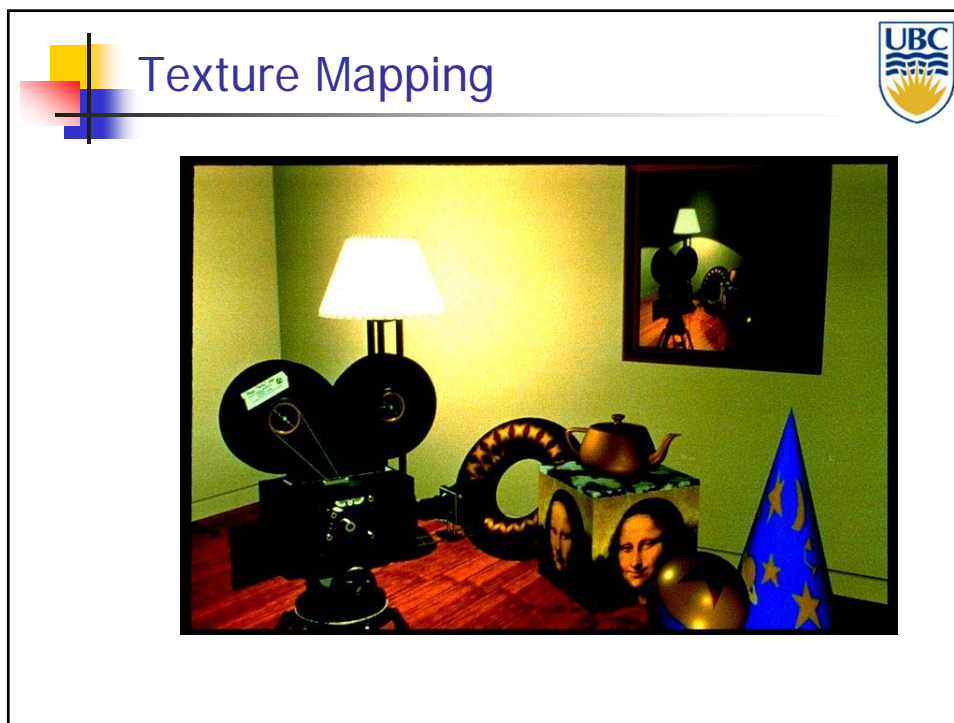
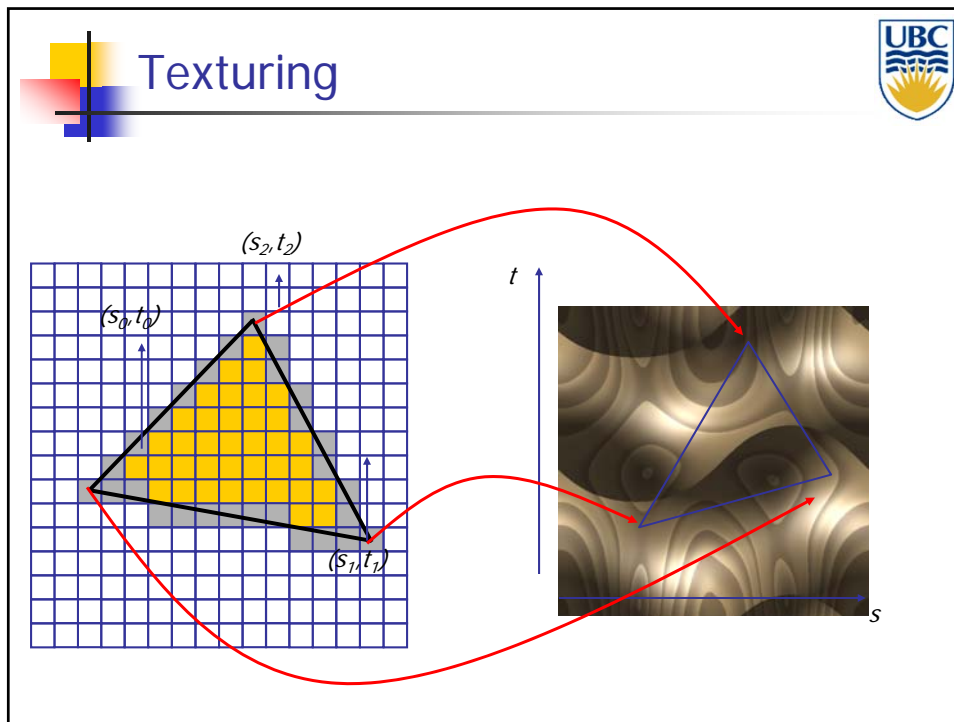


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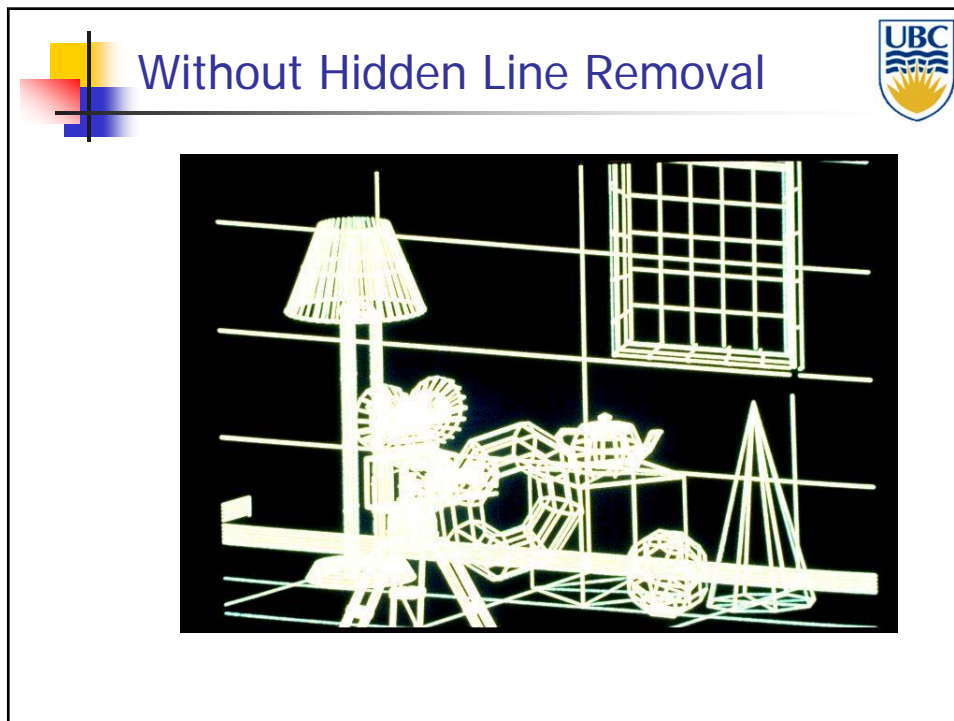
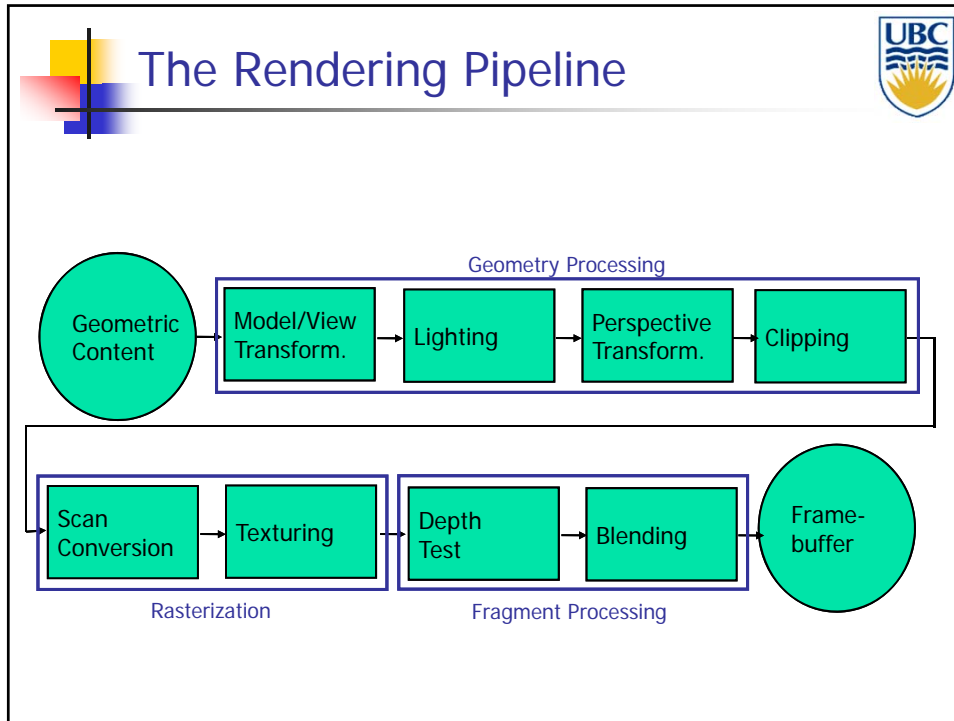







Texturing


- Issues:
 - Computing 3D/2D map (low distortion)
 - How to map pixel from texture (texels) to screen pixels
 - Texture can appear widely distorted in rendering
 - Magnification / minification of textures
 - Filtering of textures
 - Preventing aliasing (anti-aliasing)



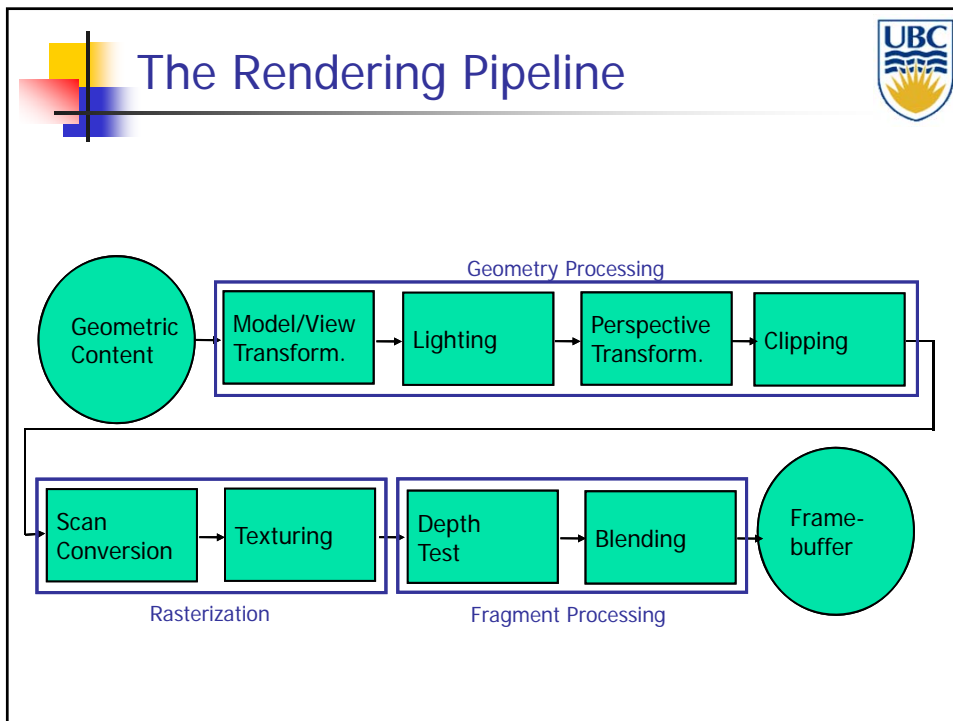





Depth Test /Hidden Surface Removal




- Remove invisible geometry
 - Parts that are hidden behind other geometry
- Possible Implementations:
 - Pixel level decision
 - Depth buffer
 - Object space decision
 - E.g. intersection order for ray tracing






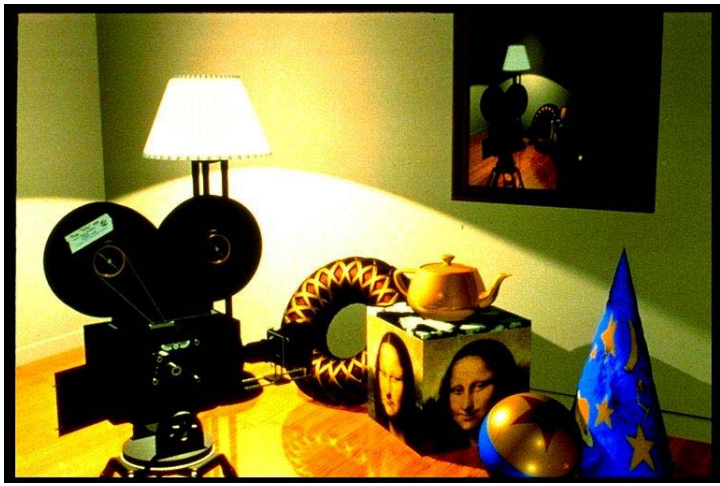

Blending




- Blending:
 - Final image: specify pixel color
 - Draw from farthest to nearest
 - No blending – replace previous color
 - Blending: combine new & old values with some arithmetic operations
- Frame Buffer : video memory on graphics board that holds resulting image & used to display it




Not Handled: Reflection/Shadows





Clicker Quiz



- Which type of function is used in this curve description: $\begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \sin \alpha \\ \cos \alpha \end{pmatrix}$?
 - A. Implicit
 - B. Explicit
 - C. Parametric
 - D. Quadratic