

GLSL Programming

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GLSL programming

- C-like language structure:

```
int i, j;  
i = 2;  
j = 0;  
j += i;
```

- Functions, loops, branches...
- *Reading your first GLSL shader is easy*

Differences with C

- New data types: vec, mat...
- Must write *simple* code
- Data input/output
- Compiling & linking

New data types

- `vec4`: a 4-component floating-point array
 - also `vec2`, `vec3`, `ivec4`...
- `mat4`: a 4×4 floating-point matrix
 - also `mat2`, `mat3`...
- Standard operations on `vec`/`mat`

Standard operations

- $v = u + w$
 - does the right thing with vec/mat
- $v = M * w$
 - Matrix-vector multiplication, matrix-matrix multiplication...
- Other operators (see reference):
 - `length(v)`, `dot(v,w)`, `cross(v,w)`...

Standard math functions

- `sin, cos, tan...`
- `asin, acos, atan...`
- `pow, exp, log, sqrt, inversesqrt`
- `abs, sign, frac, floor, min, max,`
- `step, smoothstep`
- Use them! (don't recode them)

Components & swizzle

- Access to vector components:
 - $u.x$ equivalent to $u[0]$
- Operations on several components:
 - $u.xyz = v.xyz/v.w$ (projection)
- Reordering:
 - $u = u.wzyx; w = u.xxyy;$

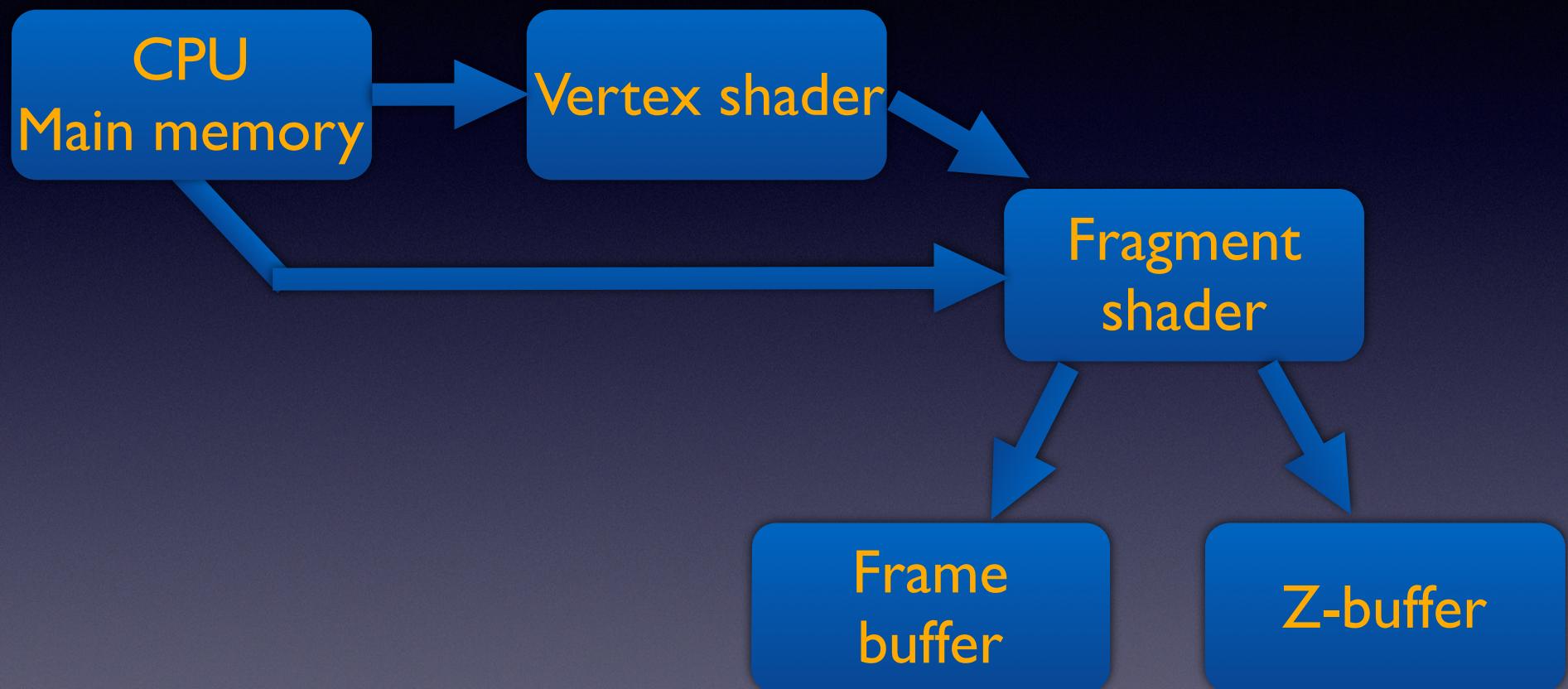
Components & swizzle

- Very useful for Image Synthesis
- Several sets of letters:
 - `u.xyzw` / `u.rgb` / `u.stpq`
- Can use any of them
- Makes code easier to read

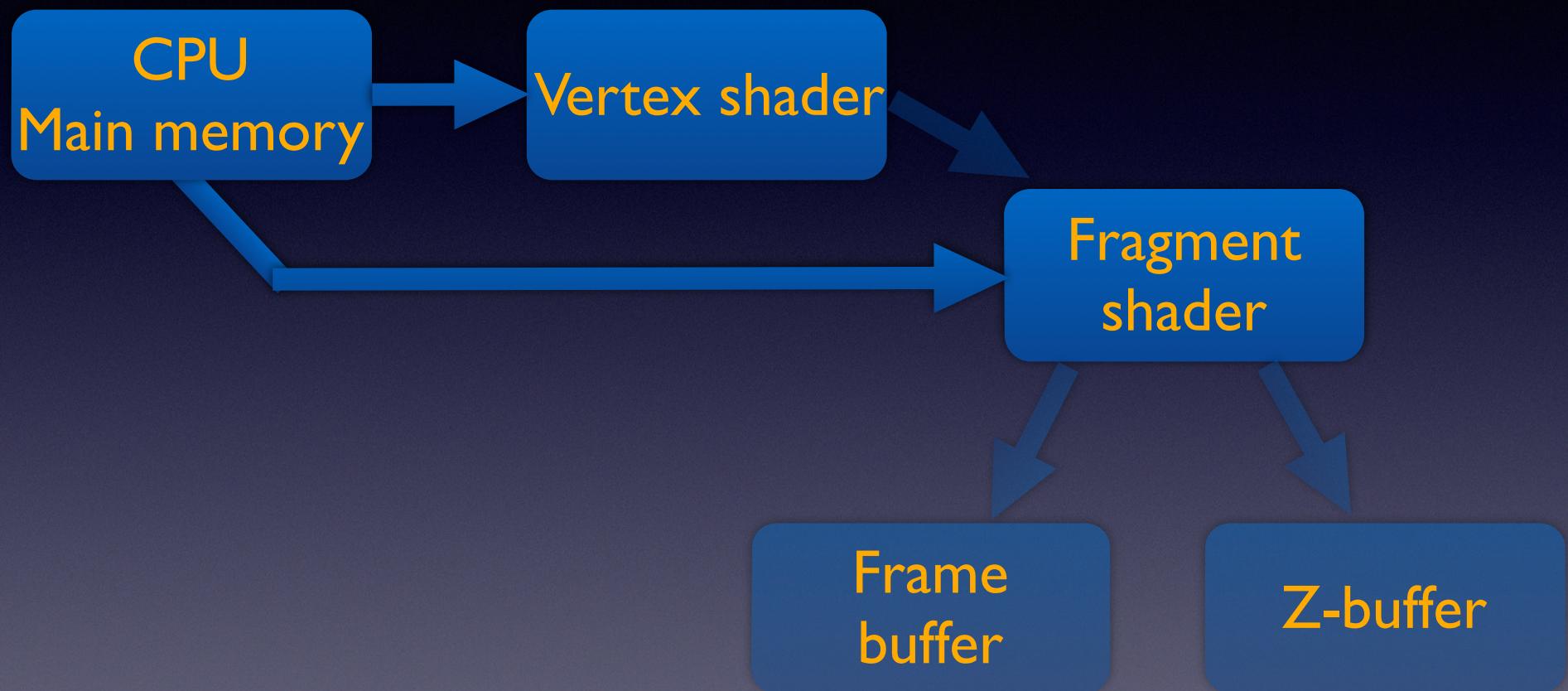
Input & Output

- The basis for any program

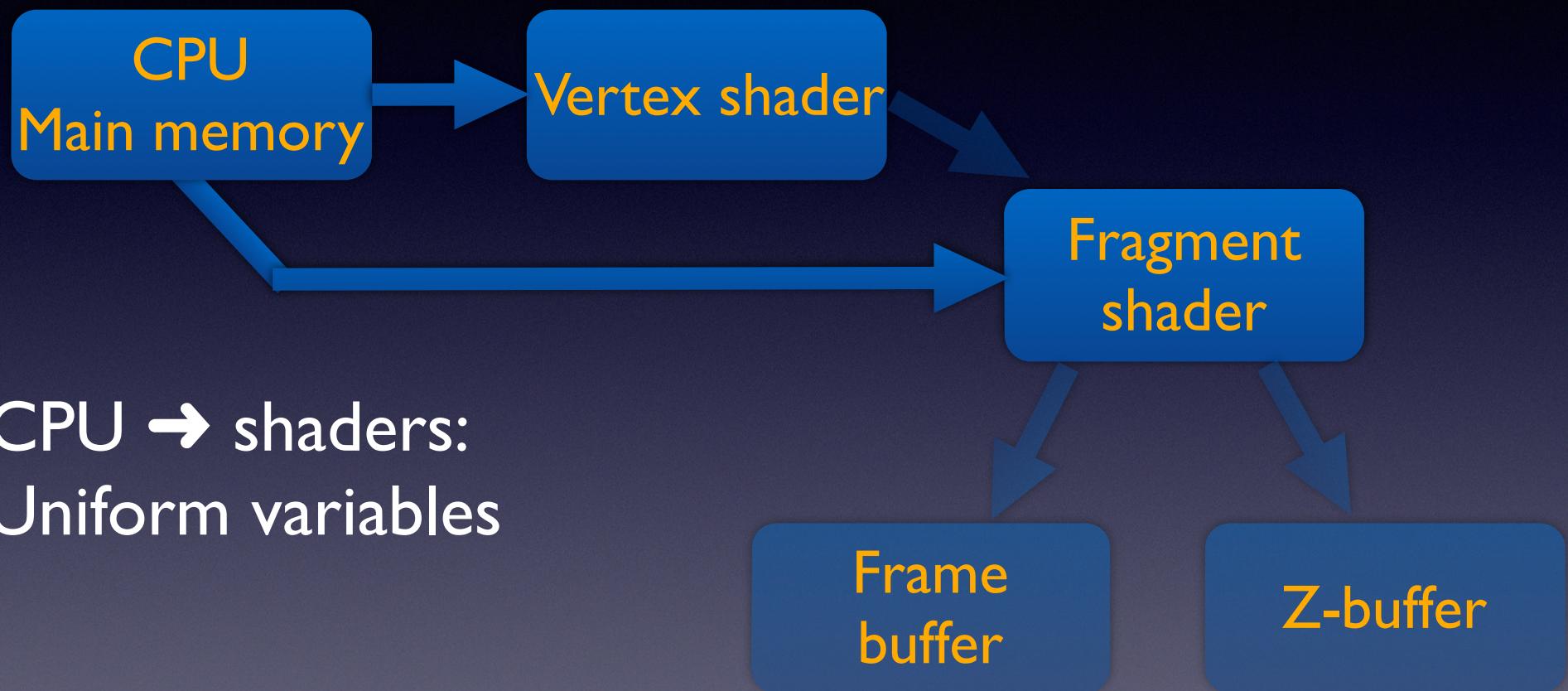
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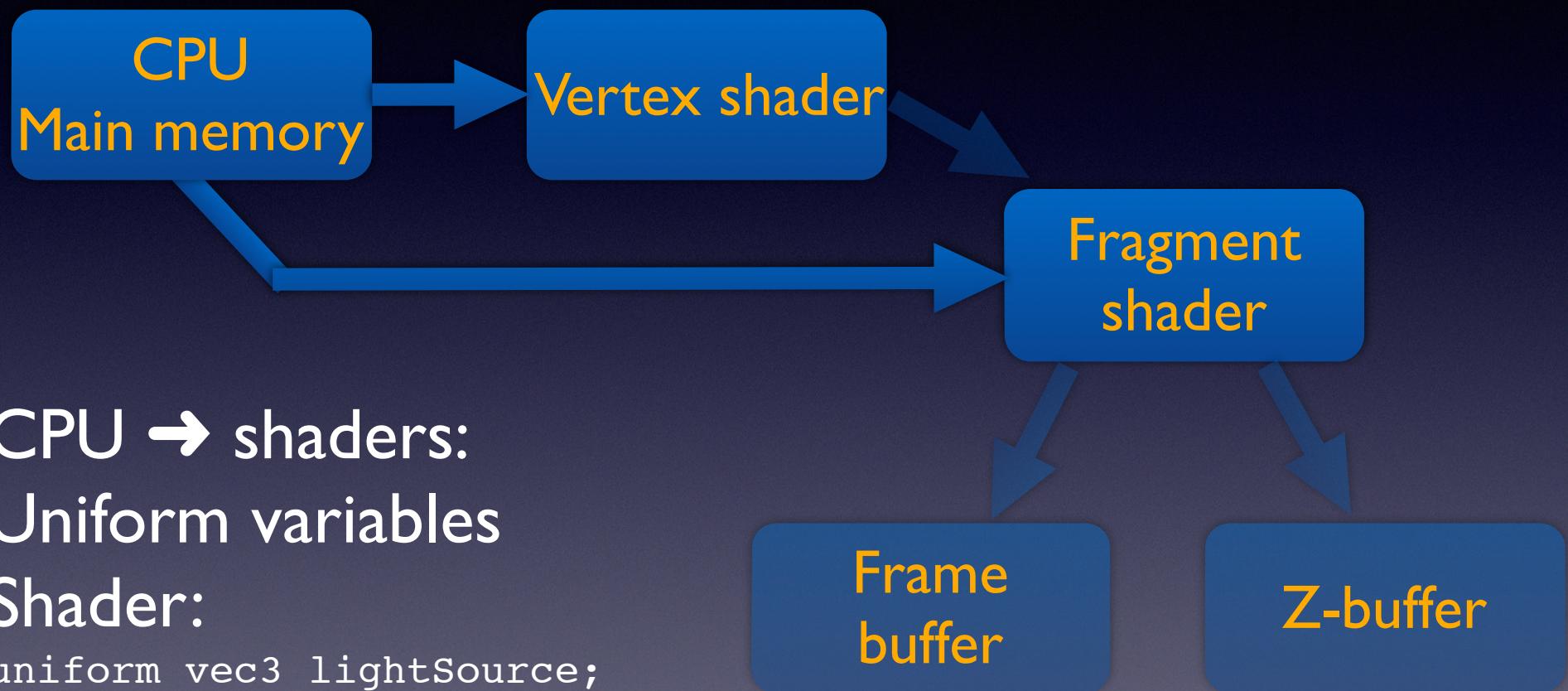
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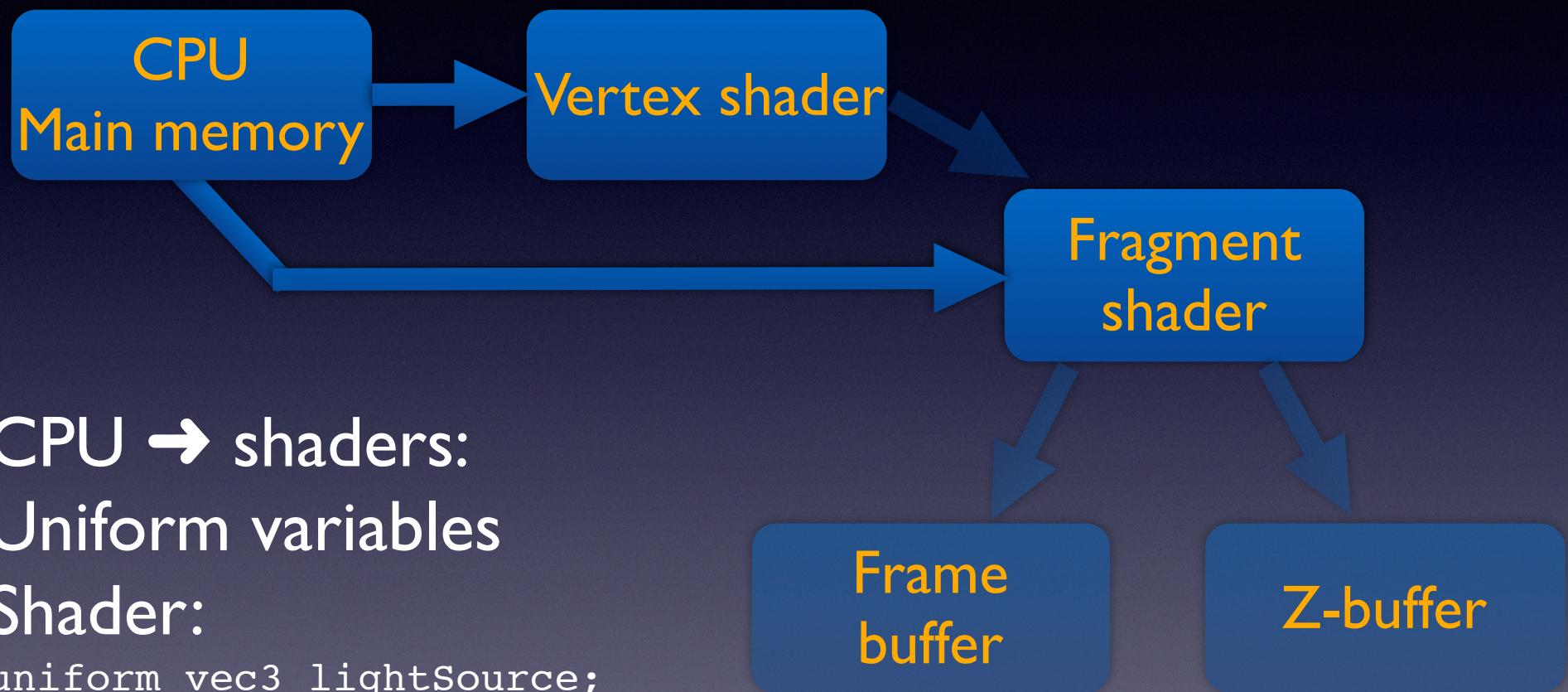
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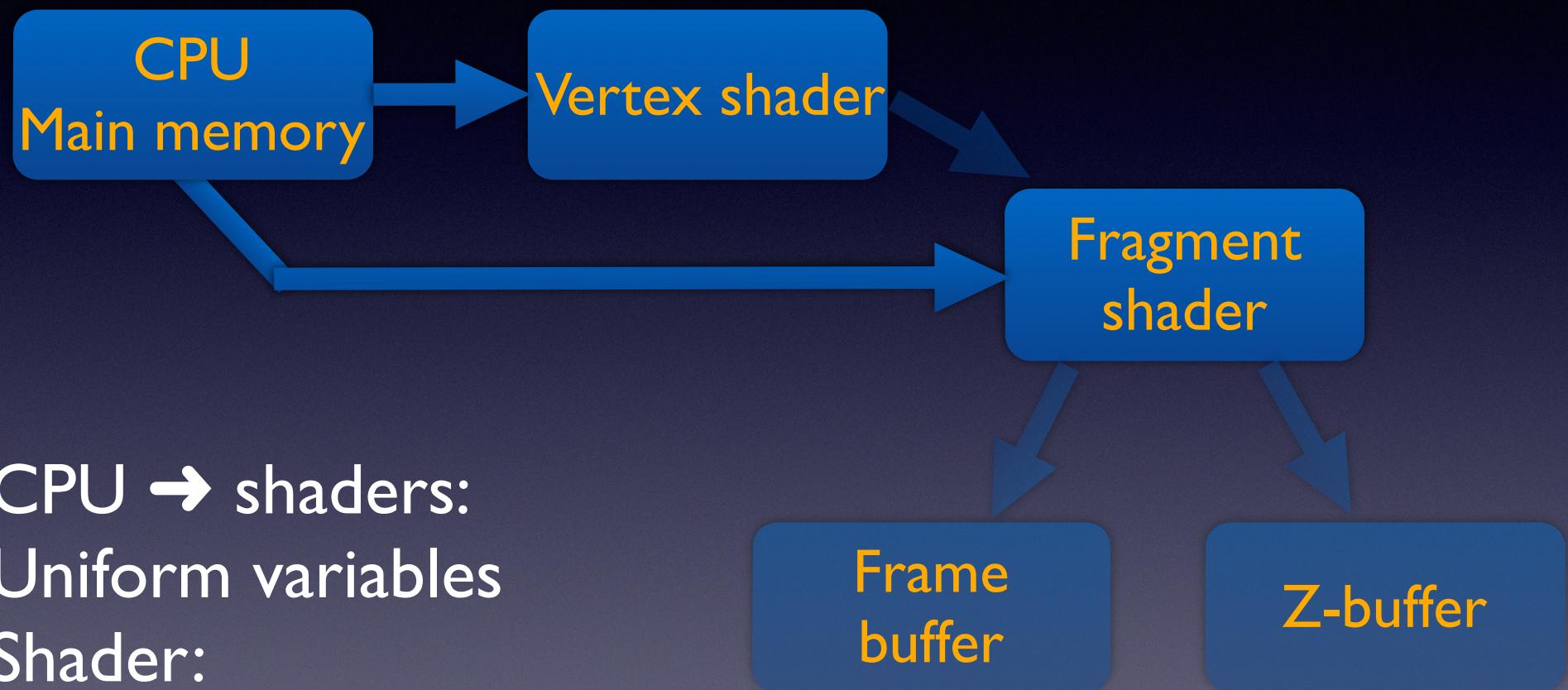
CPU → shaders:
Uniform variables
Shader:

```
uniform vec3 lightSource;
```

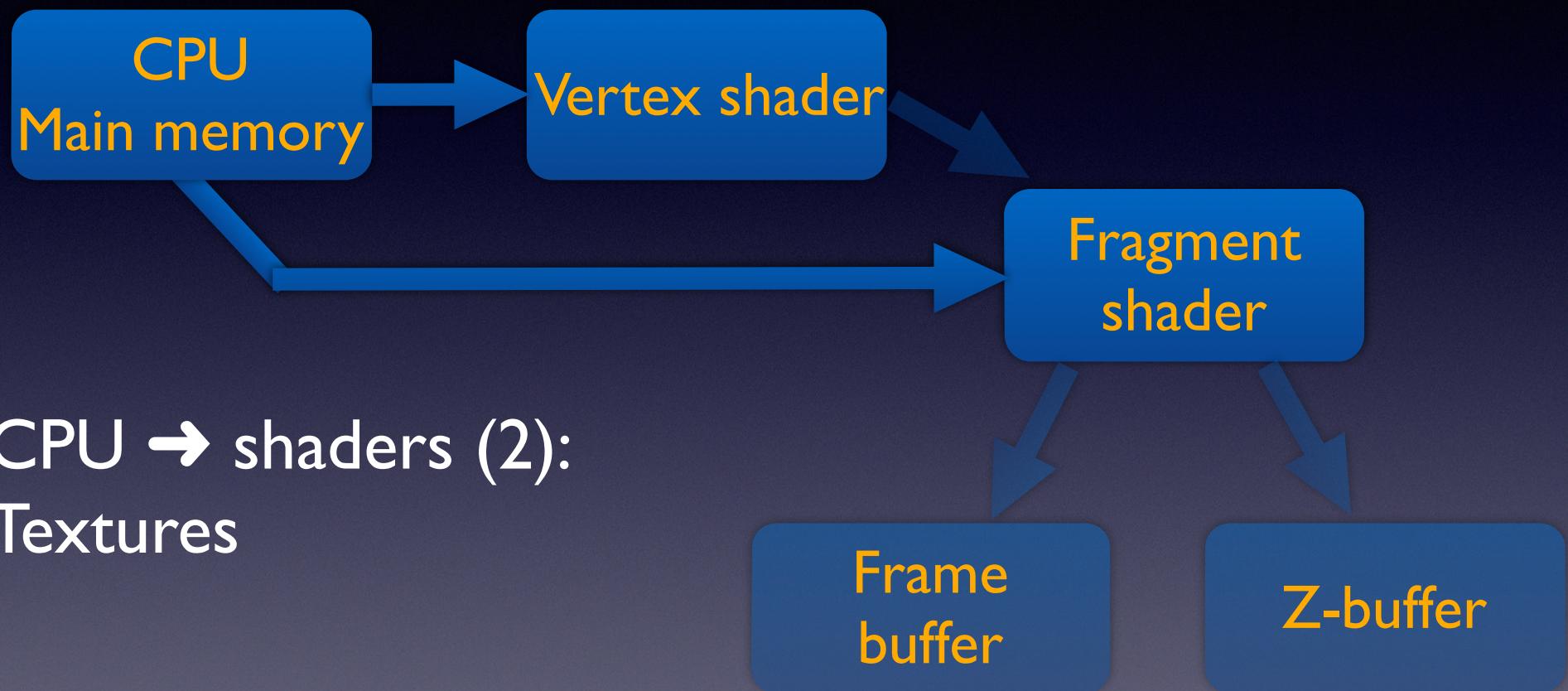
Program:

```
loc=glGetUniformLocation(shader, "lightSource");  
glUniform3f(loc, x, y, z);
```

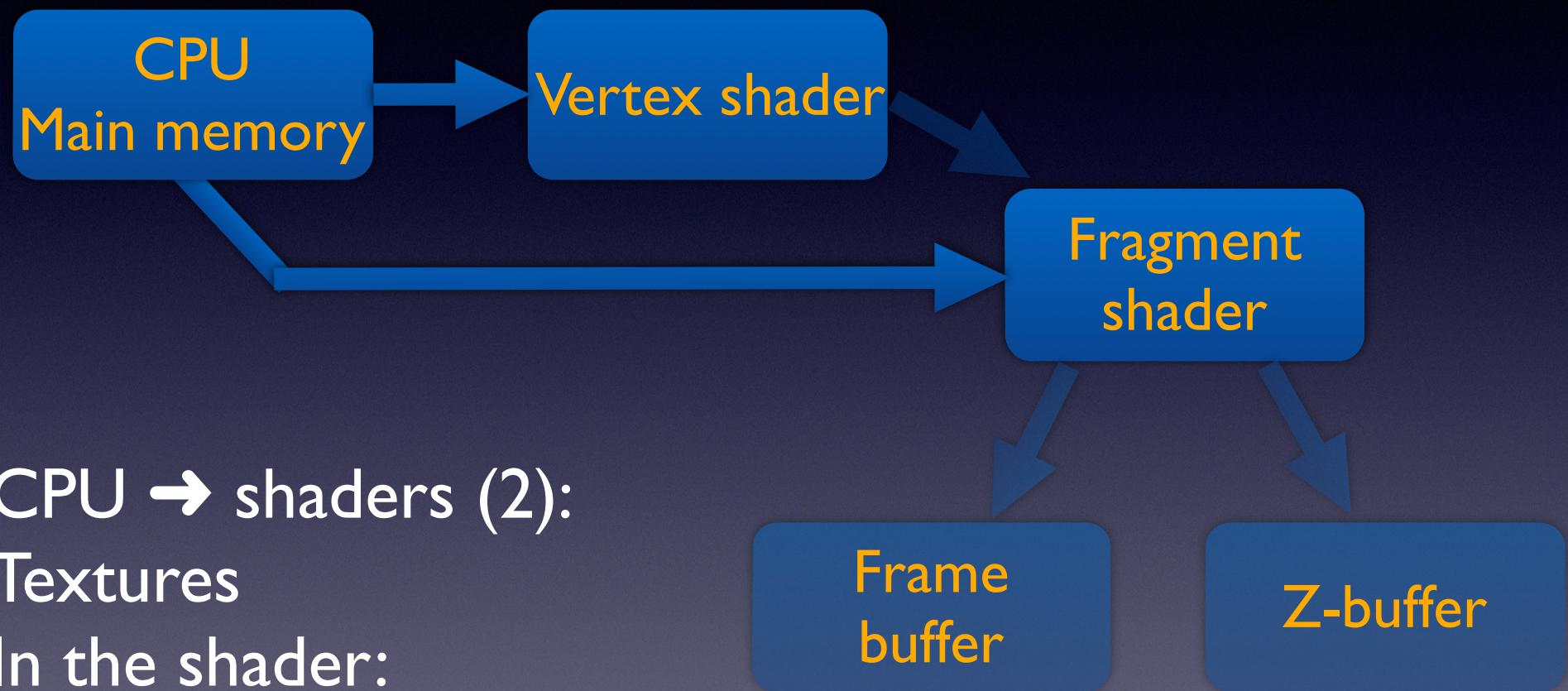
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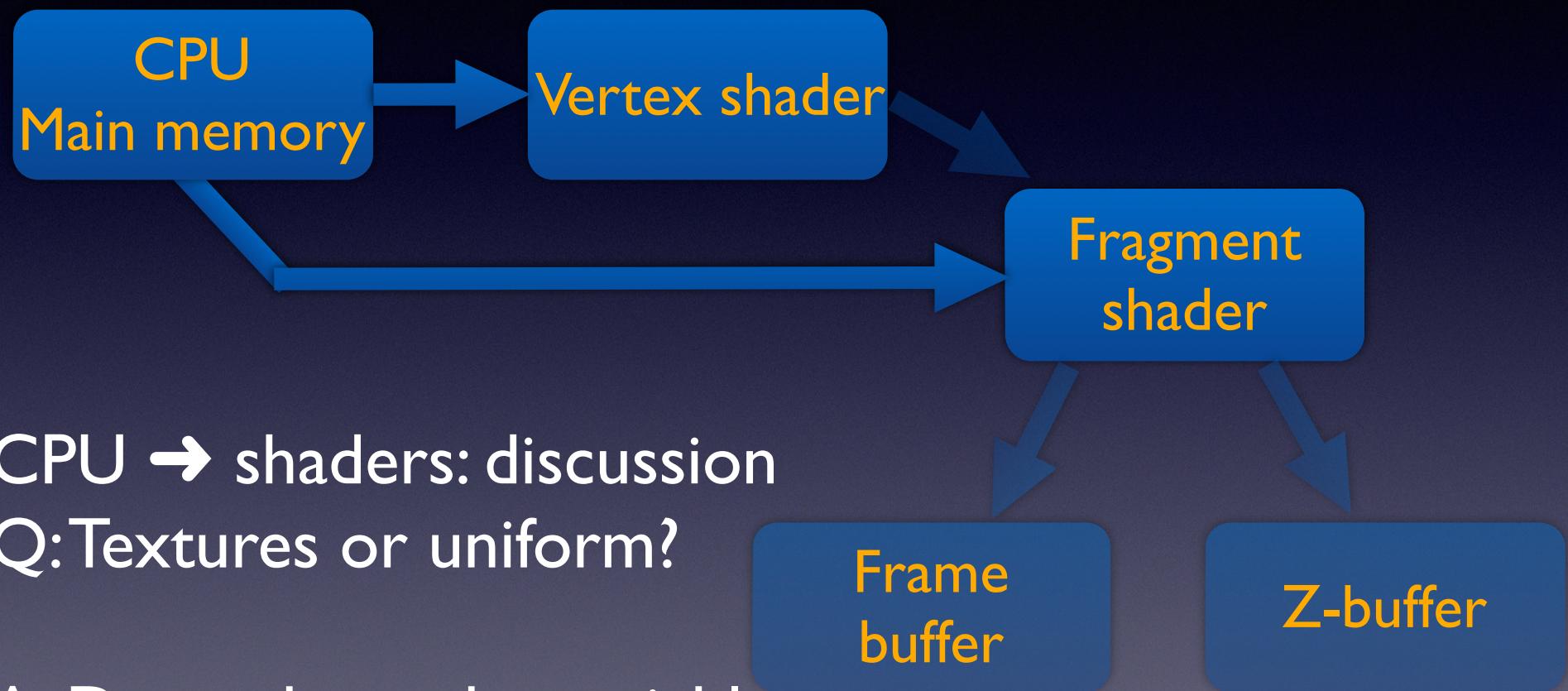
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CPU → shaders: discussion

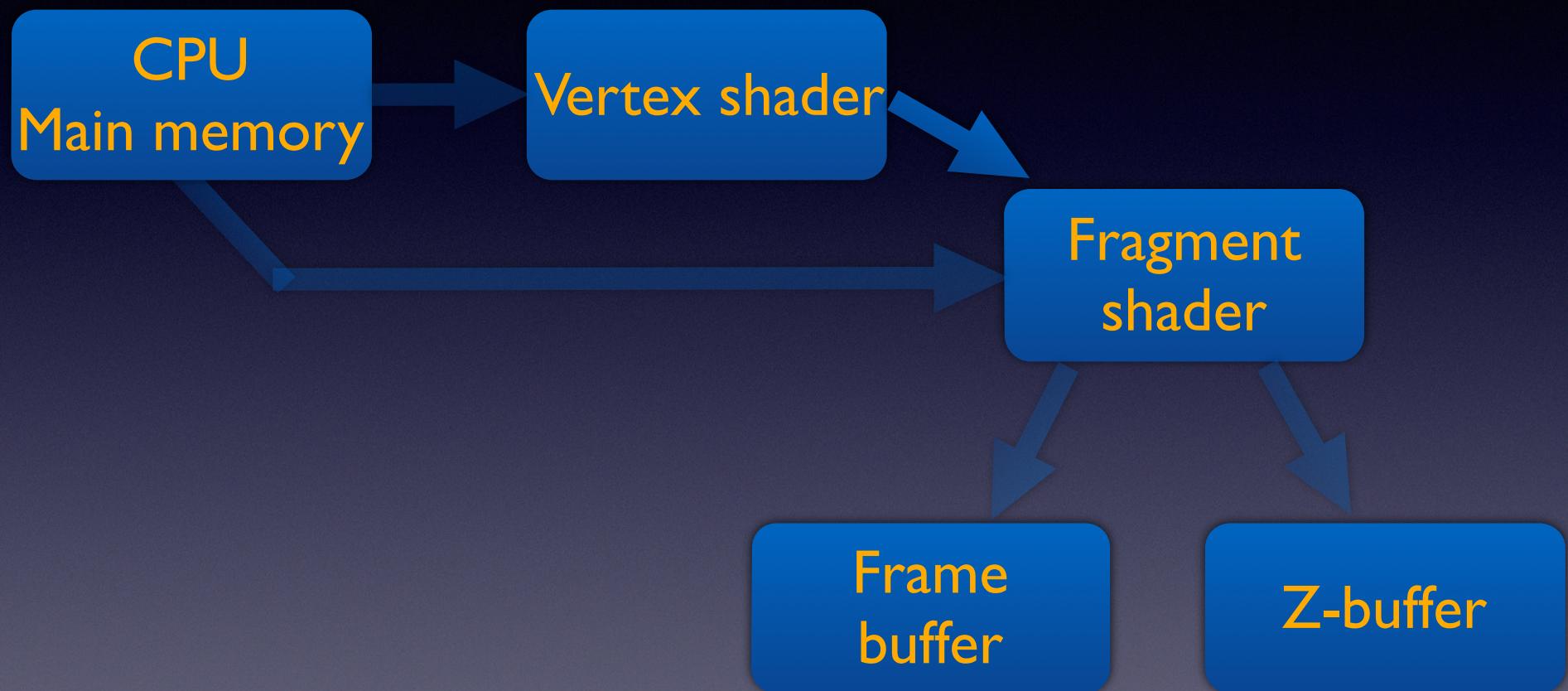
Q: Textures or uniform?

A: Depends on the variable

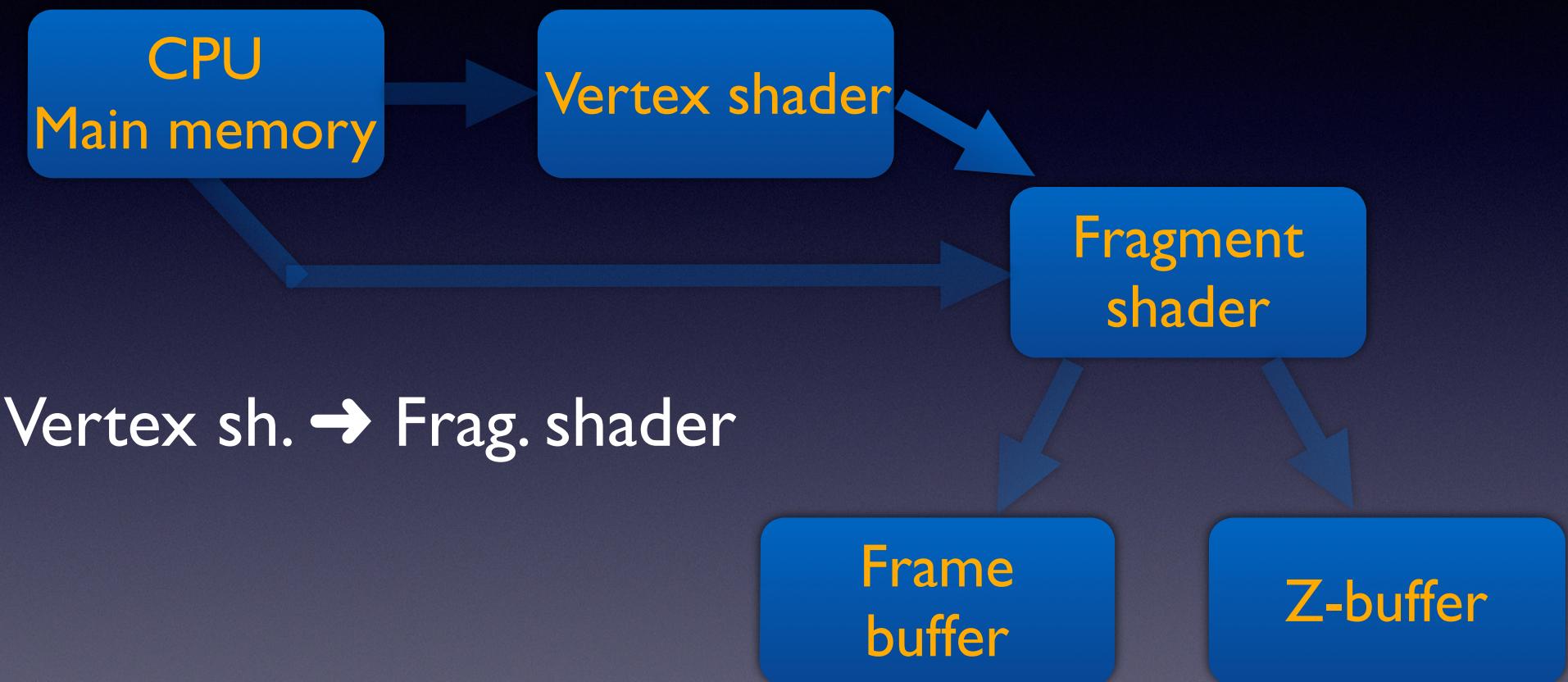
Constant (for every vertex): uniform

Depends on position: texture

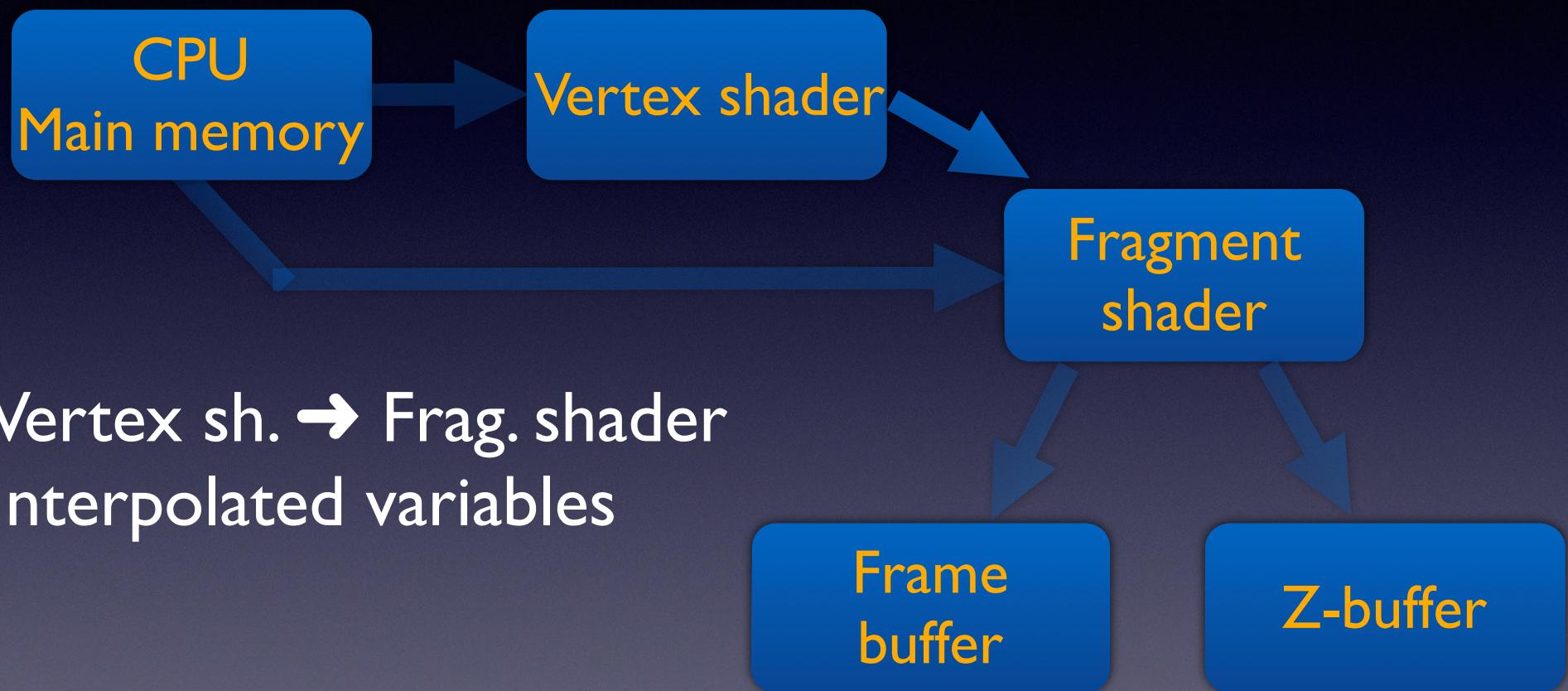
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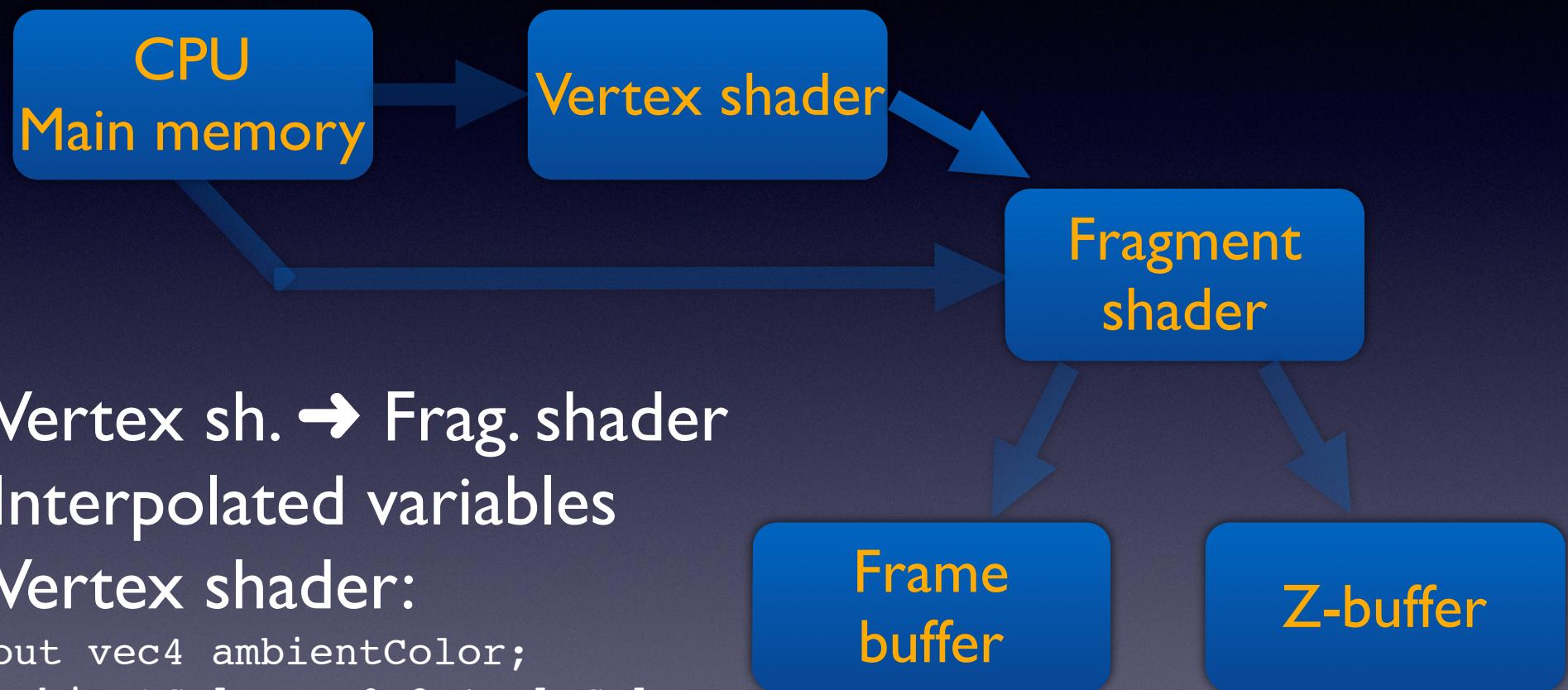
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Vertex sh. → Frag. shader

Interpolated variables

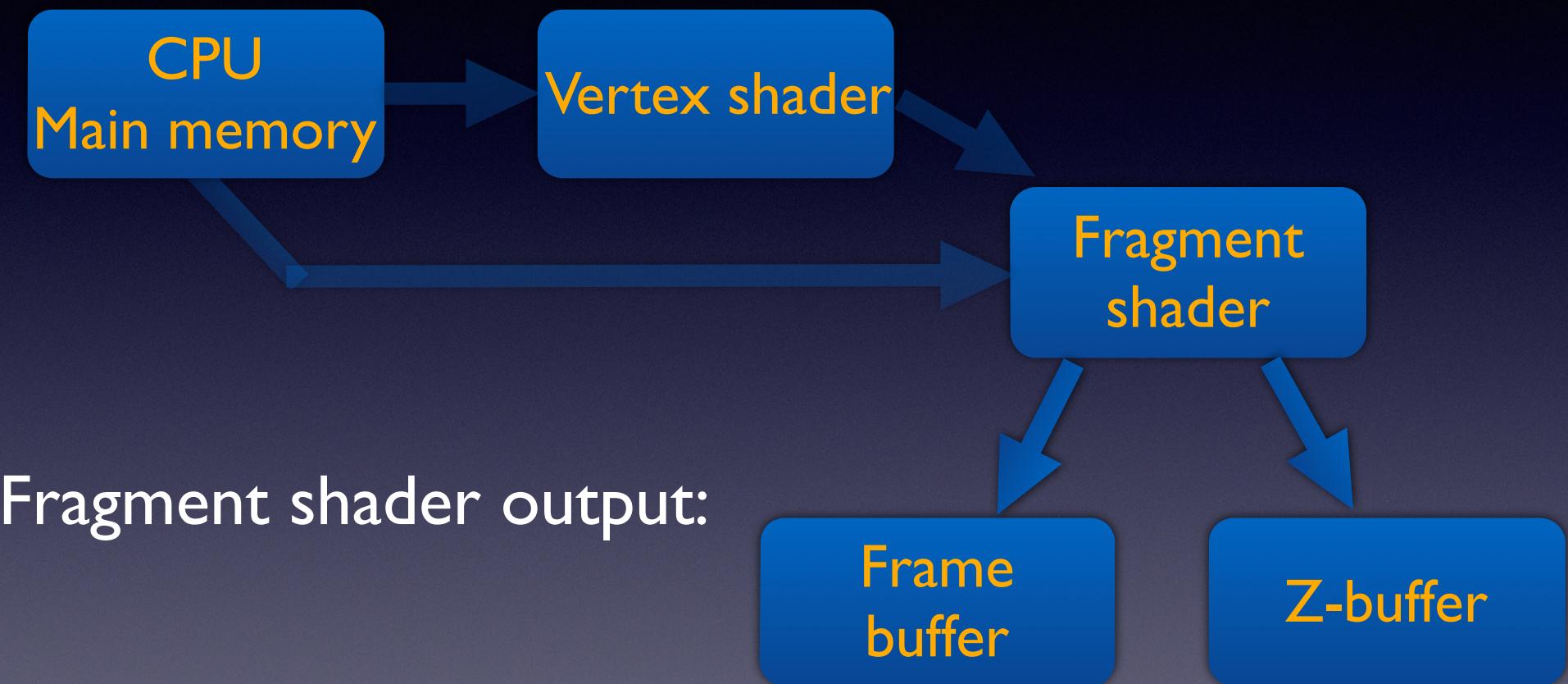
Vertex shader:

```
out vec4 ambientColor;  
ambientColor = 0.3 * gl_Color;
```

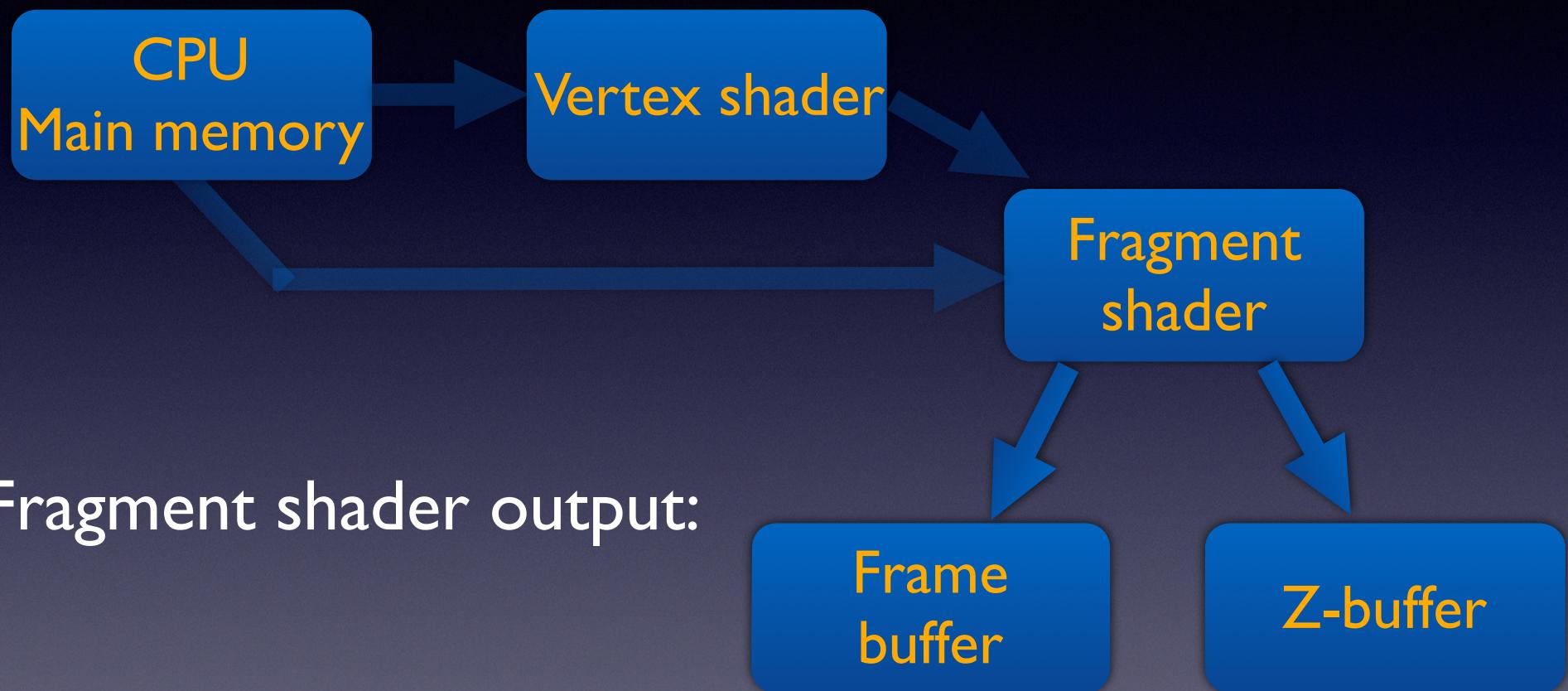
Fragment shader:

```
in vec4 ambientColor;
```

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```
fragColor = ...; //required  
fragDepth = ...; //optional
```

Compiling & linking

- 3 steps:
 - load and compile vertex shader
 - load and compile fragment shader
 - link shader
- OpenGL functions:
 - `glShaderSource`, `glCreateShader`, `glCompileShader`, `glLinkProgram`

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Compiling & linking

- Check the result of the compilation

```
if (newProg != NULL) ...
```

- Get the errors! (`glGetShaderInfoLog`)
- Read them, they're your only information

One fun bug

- Compiler designed for efficiency
- Removes everything useless
- ...including useless variables
- can be quite aggressive in that
- ...and complains of non-existent variable
- also, C++ program tests if variable exists...

That's it!

- These are the basics
- You have a working program to start with
- Edit it, understand it, improve it
- Start with simple programs

OpenGL4 and Qt5

- OpenGL 4: removes many legacy options
 - more efficient, but different
- Qt5: great integration with OpenGL4
 - encapsulates everything useful

Loading a shader

```
QOpenGLShaderProgram* program = new  
QOpenGLShaderProgram(this);  
program->addShaderFromSourceFile  
(QOpenGLShader::Vertex, vertexShaderPath);  
program->addShaderFromSourceFile  
(QOpenGLShader::Fragment, fragmentShaderPath);  
program->link();  
program->bind();
```

Loading a shader (2)

```
QOpenGLShaderProgram* program = new
QOpenGLShaderProgram(this);
if (!program) qWarning() << "Failed to allocate the
shader";
bool result = program->addShaderFromSourceFile
(QOpenGLShader::Vertex, vertexShaderPath);
if ( !result ) qWarning() << program->log();
result = program->addShaderFromSourceFile
(QOpenGLShader::Fragment, fragmentShaderPath);
if ( !result ) qWarning() << program->log();
result = program->link();
if ( !result ) qWarning() << program->log();
program->bind();
return program;
```

Passing variables

```
m_program->bind();  
m_program->setUniformValue  
("lightPosition", lightPosition);
```

Encoding the scene

- Before (OpenGL 3 and below): face-based

```
glBegin(GL_POLYGON)  
    glVertex3f(x1,y1,z1);  
    glVertex3f(x2,y2,z2);  
    glVertex3f(x3,y3,z3);  
    glVertex3f(x4,y4,z4);  
glEnd();
```

Encoding the scene

- OpenGL4: Vertex Array Object
 - object-based
 - Single structure for each object
 - Vertex, color, normals, tex coords in arrays
 - VAO = set of arrays (vertex, color...)

VertexArray Objects: creation

```
QOpenGLVertexArrayObject m_vao;
```

```
QOpenGLBuffer m_vertexBuffer;
```

```
QOpenGLBuffer m_indexBuffer;
```

```
QOpenGLBuffer m_normalBuffer;
```

```
QOpenGLBuffer m_colorBuffer;
```

```
QOpenGLBuffer m_texcoordBuffer;
```

Vertex array objects: filling

```
m_vao.bind();  
m_vertexBuffer.setUsagePattern(QOpenGLBuffer::StaticDraw);  
m_vertexBuffer.bind();  
m_vertexBuffer.allocate(&(modelMesh->vertices.front()),  
modelMesh->vertices.size() * sizeof(trimesh::point));
```

Pointer

Size (bytes)

(same for index, color, normals...)

Vertex array objects: drawing

```
m_program->bind();  
m_vao.bind();  
glDrawElements(GL_TRIANGLES, Primitive  
3 * modelMesh->faces.size(), Nb index  
GL_UNSIGNED_INT, 0);  
m_vao.release();  
starting index  
m_program->release();
```

Notes

- Only the VAO is drawn
 - Internal buffers used only at creation time
- What if I only want to draw the geometry?
 - driver-dependent
 - = doesn't always work
 - drivers expect vertices+normals

Textures

```
texture = new QOpenGLTexture  
(QImage(textureName)) ;  
  
texture->setWrapMode(QOpenGLTexture::Repeat) ;  
  
texture->setMinificationFilter  
(QOpenGLTexture::LinearMipMapLinear) ;  
  
texture->setMagnificationFilter  
(QOpenGLTexture::Linear) ;  
  
texture->bind(0); Texture unit number  
m_program->setUniformValue("colorTexture", 0);
```

Frame Buffer Objects

- For offscreen rendering
 - shadow maps, deferred shading
 - multi-target rendering

Frame Buffer Objects

```
shadowMap = new QOpenGLFramebufferObject(w, h);  
shadowMap->bind();
```

From here, all render events go to FBO

```
shadowMap->release();  
m_program->setUniformValue("shadowMap", shadowMap-  
>texture());
```

And we make it a texture for main shader

Frame Buffer Objects

```
QOpenGLFramebufferObjectFormat sFormat;  
sFormat.setAttachment(QOpenGLFramebufferObject::Depth);  
sFormat.setTextureTarget(GL_TEXTURE_2D);  
sFormat.setInternalTextureFormat(GL_RGBA32F_ARB);  
shadowMap = new QOpenGLFramebufferObject(w, h,  
sFormat);  
shadowMap->bind();  
...  
shadowMap->release();  
m_program->setUniformValue("shadowMap", shadowMap-  
>texture());
```

Frame Buffer Objects

- Also works with multiple render targets

That's all!