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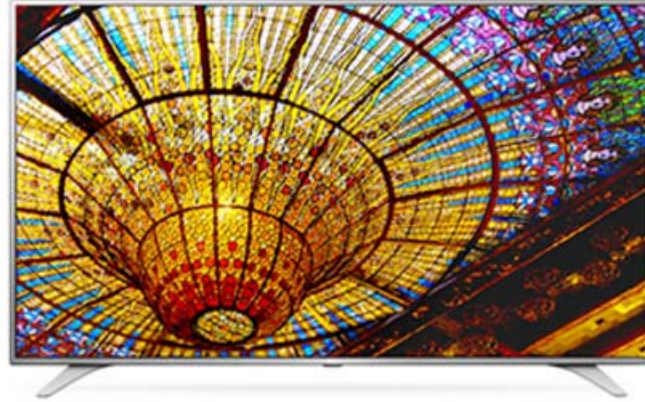
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LG / MediaTek Products

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The LG 49UH6500 television and X Power LS755 phone (collectively, the "LG Products") include a graphics chip.



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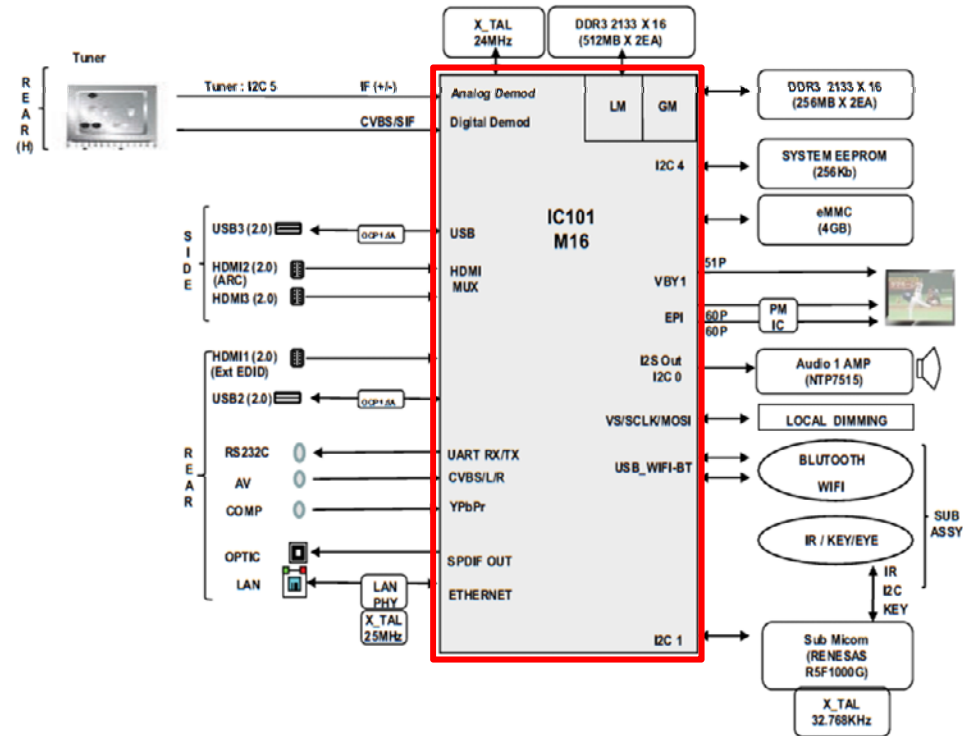
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See <http://www.lg.com/us/cell-phones/lg-LS755-x-power-boost-mobile>.

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The LG Products include one of the following System-on-Chips (SoCs): M16 and MediaTek MT6755M.



See LG LED TV Service Manual, Chassis: UA63J, Model: 43UH6500, p.28, available at https://lg.encompass.com/shop/model_research_docs/?file=/ZEN/sm/43UH6500UB.pdf.^{1/}

^{1/} The LG 49UH6500 television and the LG 43UH6500 television are part of the LG UH6500 Series televisions. See http://www.lg.com/us/support/products/documents/UH6500_Series_Spec_Sheet_Updated_10112016.pdf.

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Technical Specifications

Carrier	Boost Mobile®
Display	5.3" (1280 x 720) HD TFT Display
Battery	4,100 mAh non-removable
Platform	Android 6.0.1 Marshmallow
Processor	MediaTek 1.8 GHz Octa-Core MT6755M

See <http://www.lg.com/us/cell-phones/lg-LS755-x-power-boost-mobile>.

The SoCs include one of the following ARM Mali graphics processing units (the "Mali GPUs"): T760 MP2, T760 MP4, and T860 MP2.

		M16
Smart Function	CPU	CA53 x4 1.1GHz / 1MB
	GPU	Mali T760 MP2 (650MHz)
	OSD	Separated 2K@60p
	HEVC	4K @60,10bit
	DDR	DDR3-2133/ DDR4-2400
	Audio DSP	HIFI3 Dual @370MHz

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MediaTek MT6755 Helio P10 Specs

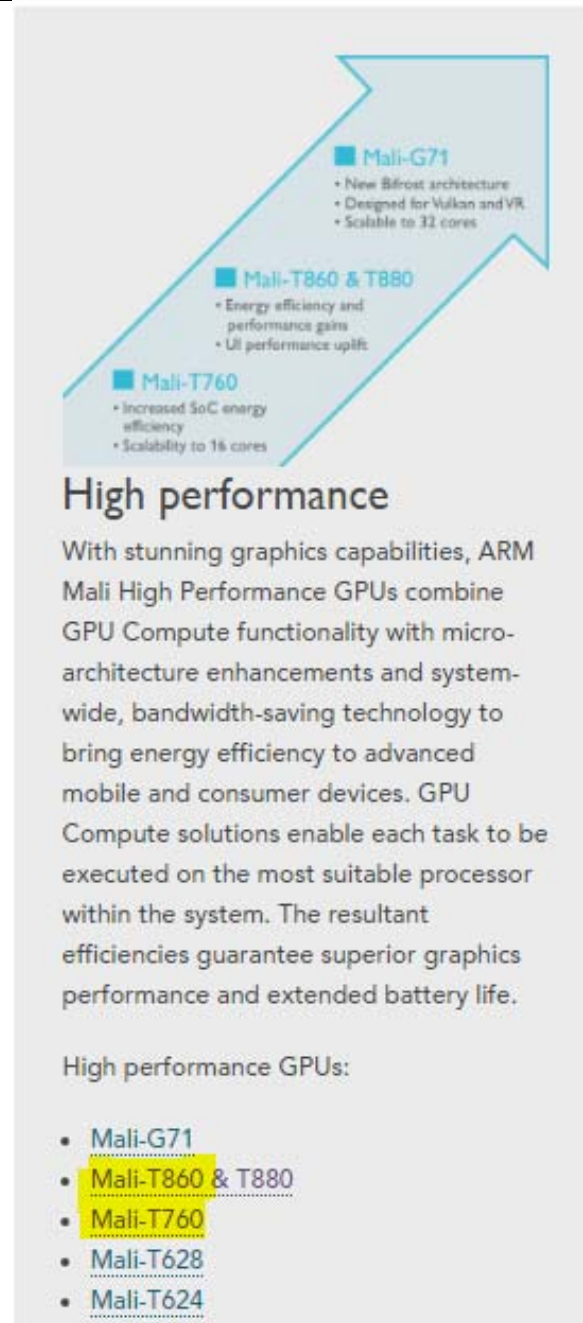
Release	Q4 2015
Process	28nm
Apps CPU	8x Cortex-A53, up to 2.0GHz
GPU	ARM Mali-T860 MP2 at 700 MHz

See <http://cnoemphone.com/blog/mediatek-mt6755-helio-p10-specs-benchmark-and-smartphone-list>.

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	The Mali GPUs share substantially similar structure, function, and operation.
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The image shows a screenshot of the ARM Mali GPU product page. It features a large blue arrow pointing upwards and to the right, containing three sections of text:

- Mali-G71**
 - New Bifrost architecture
 - Designed for Vulkan and VR
 - Scalable to 32 cores
- Mali-T860 & T880**
 - Energy efficiency and performance gains
 - UI performance uplift
- Mali-T760**
 - Increased SoC energy efficiency
 - Scalability to 16 cores

Below the arrow, the text reads:

High performance

With stunning graphics capabilities, ARM Mali High Performance GPUs combine GPU Compute functionality with micro-architecture enhancements and system-wide, bandwidth-saving technology to bring energy efficiency to advanced mobile and consumer devices. GPU Compute solutions enable each task to be executed on the most suitable processor within the system. The resultant efficiencies guarantee superior graphics performance and extended battery life.

High performance GPUs:

- [Mali-G71](#)
- [Mali-T860 & T880](#)
- [Mali-T760](#)
- [Mali-T628](#)
- [Mali-T624](#)

See <http://www.arm.com/products/graphics-and-multimedia/mali-gpu>.

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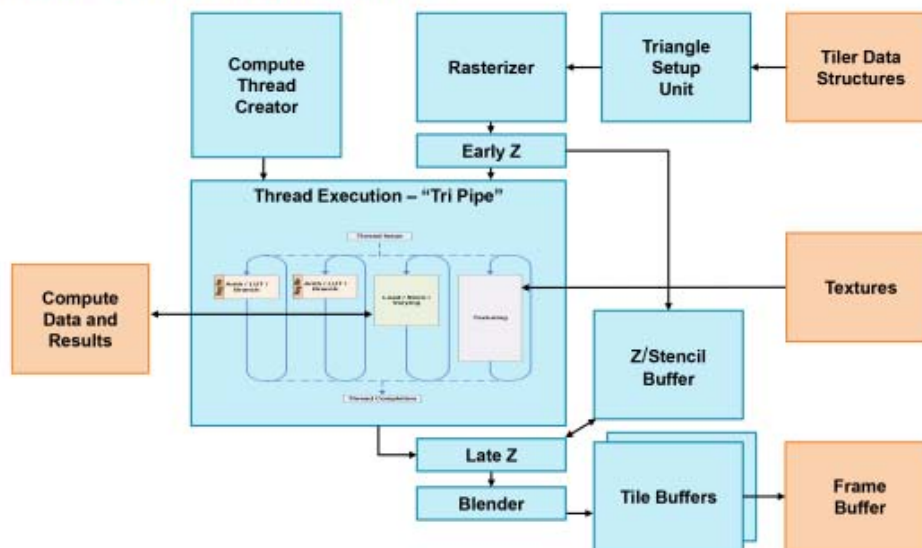
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For example, as depicted below, the ARM Mali GPU includes, *inter alia*, tri-pipe shader core ("Shader"), triangle setup unit ("TSU"), rasterizer ("Rasterizer"), early-Z ("Early-Z"), z/stencil ("Z/Stencil), tile buffer ("Tile Buffer"), and late z ("Late Z") circuitry. Moreover, each shader includes a texturing unit ("TA"), load store unit ("LSU"), and arithmetic pipeline ("ALU") circuitry.

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Shader Core Architecture



See <http://www.anandtech.com/show/8234/arms-mali-midgard-architecture-explored/4>.

The Mali GPU includes a front-end configured to receive one or more graphics instructions. For example,

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"Mali GPUs use data structures and hardware functional blocks[.]” Moreover, “shaders specify the vertex and fragment processing operations.”

1.6.1 About the OpenGL ES 3.x pipeline

Mali GPUs use data structures and hardware functional blocks to implement the OpenGL ES graphics pipeline.

In the OpenGL ES 3.x pipeline, the shaders specify the vertex and fragment processing operations. The application must provide a pair of shaders for each draw call. A vertex shader defines the vertex processing operations and a fragment shader defines the fragment processing operations. The vertex shader is executed once per vertex, and the fragment shader is executed once per fragment.

Most of the semantics that are associated with data flowing through the pipeline are abstracted into the following special variables that are declared in the shaders:

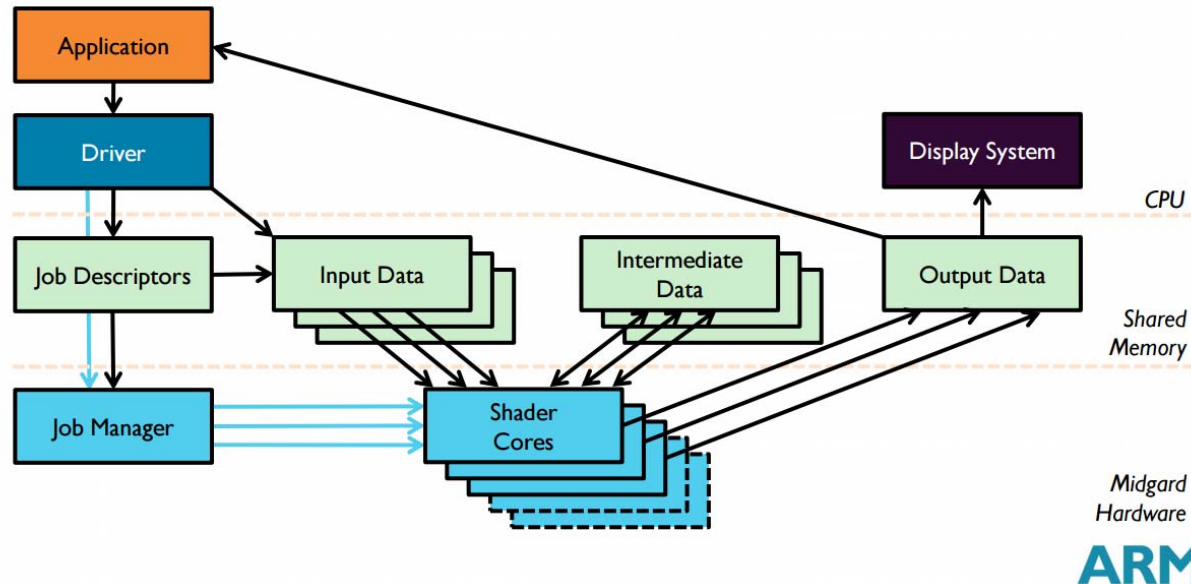
- Generic vertex attributes. Generic vertex attributes replace all vertex data, such as position, normal vector, texture coordinates, and colors.
- Varying variables. All outputs from the vertex shader, except for position and point size, are abstracted into varying variables. These variables are interpolated across the primitive and are available to the fragment shader.
- Uniform variables. All global states that are required by vertex and fragment processing, such as transformation matrices, light positions, material properties, texture stage constants, and texture bindings, are abstracted into uniform variables. The application sets the values of these variables.

The following figure shows a simplified OpenGL ES graphics pipeline:

See http://malideveloper.arm.com/downloads/OpenGLES3.x/arm_mali_gpu_opengl_es_3-x_developer_guide_en.pdf.

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Basic Dataflow



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See http://malideveloper.arm.com/downloads/ARM_Game_Developer_Days/PDFs/2-Mali-GPU-architecture-overview-and-tile-local-storage.pdf.

The front-end outputs a geometry. For example, “[t]he Mali GPU generates primitives starting from the vertices.” Moreover, the “vertex processor...[a]ssembles vertices of graphics primitives” and “[b]uilds polygon lists.” Furthermore, “[t]he output of vertex processing includes...[t]he position of the vertex in the output frambuffer” and “[a]dditional data, such as the color of the vertex after lighting calculations.”

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1.6.2 Primitive assembly

The Mali GPU generates primitives starting from the vertices.

A point contains one vertex, a line contains two vertices, a triangle contains three vertices. Vertices can be shared between multiple primitives, depending on the draw mode. If geometry or tessellation shaders are present, then vertices can generate a variable number of primitives.

1.6.3 Vertex processing

The vertex data provided by the application is read one vertex at a time, and the shader core runs a vertex shader program for each vertex.

This shader program performs:

- Lighting.
- Transforms.
- Viewport transformation.
- Perspective transformation.

The shader core or vertex processor also perform the following processing:

- Assembles vertices of graphics primitives.
- Builds polygon lists.

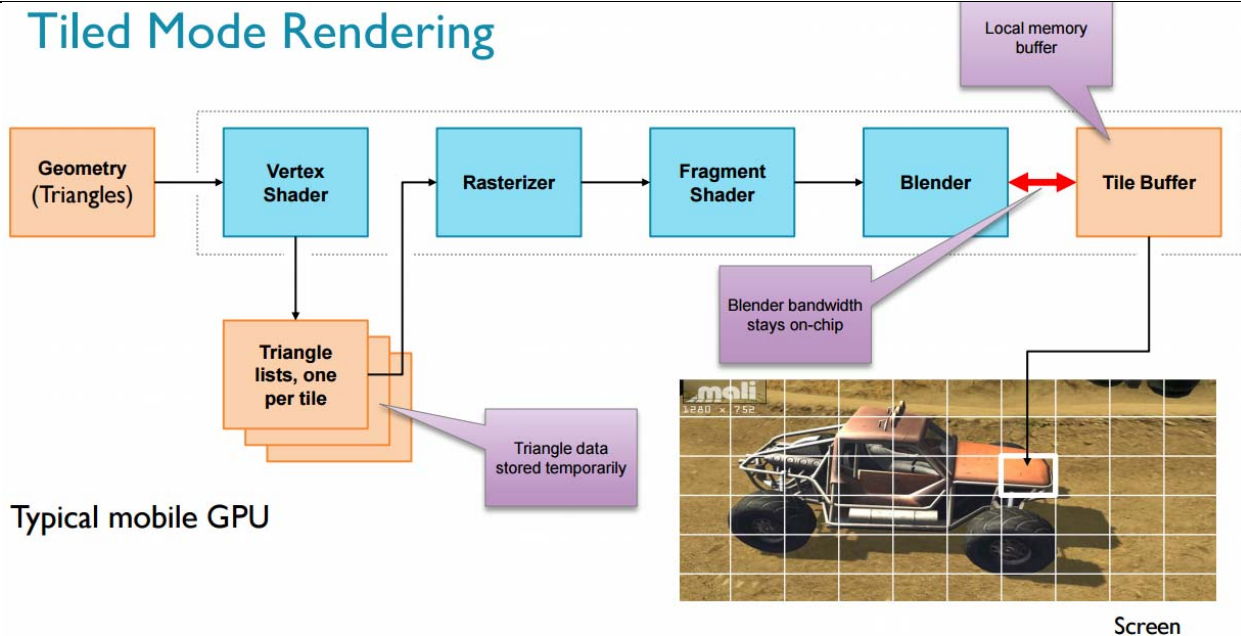
The output from vertex processing includes:

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Tiled Mode Rendering



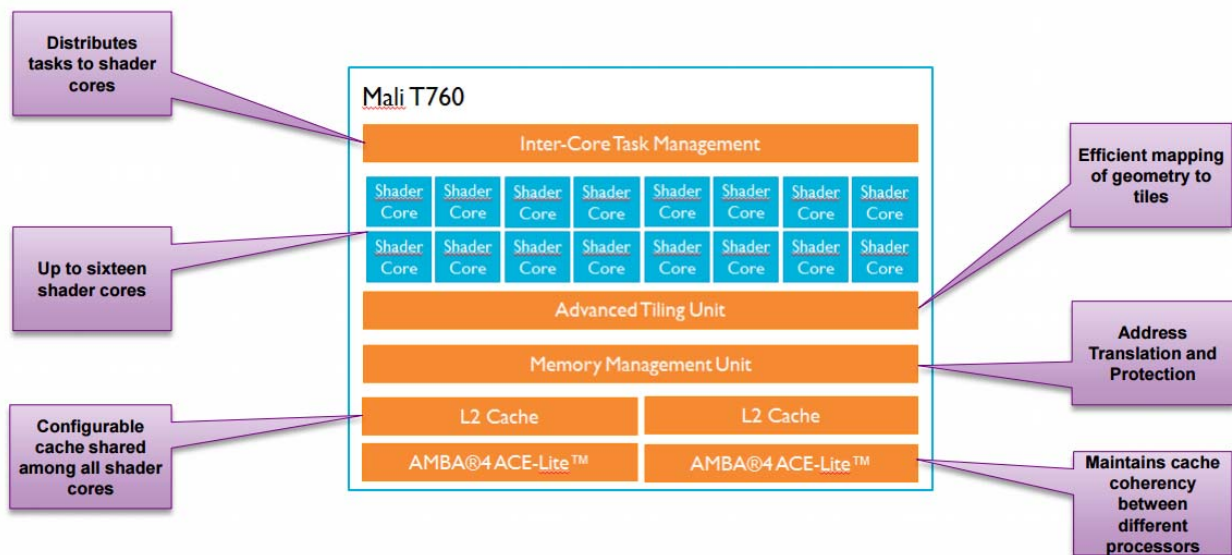
Typical mobile GPU

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Furthermore, the Mali GPUs include an Inter-Core Task Management module that distributes tasks to shader cores.

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Mali-T760 High-Level Architecture



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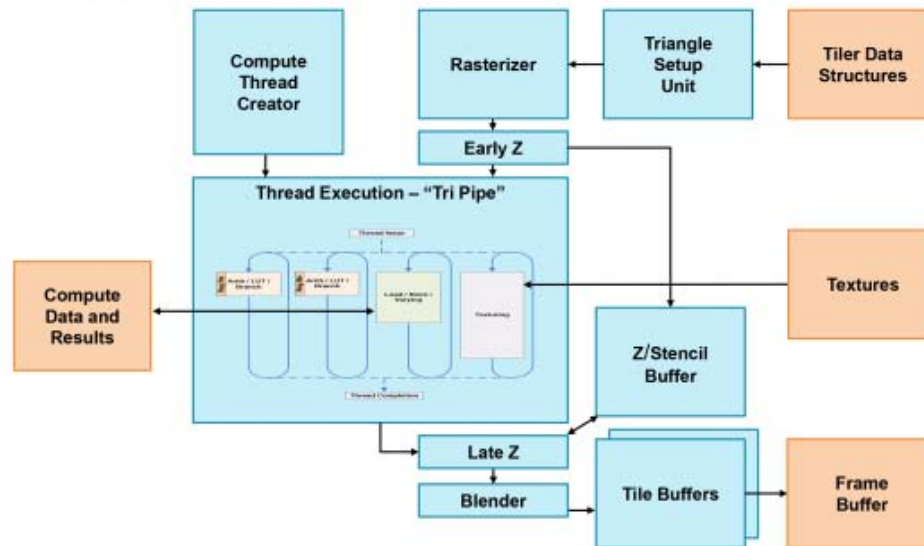
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For example, the Mali GPU include the Shader, TSU, Rasterizer, Early-Z, Z/Stencil, Tile, Late Z stages (collectively, the "Pixel Processing Stage").

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The Mali GPU includes a back-end in the graphics chip configured to receive said geometry and to process said geometry. For example, the Pixel Processing Stage includes the TSU and the Rasterizer. The TSU provides “coefficients” to the rasterizer, which “applies equations to create fragments.” Moreover, the Rasterizer includes circuitry in which “[e]ach primitive is divided into fragments so that there is one or more fragments for each pixel covered by the primitive.”

1.6.4 Rasterization

Each primitive is divided into fragments so that there is one or more fragments for each pixel covered by the primitive.

Reads data

Reads the state information, polygon lists, and transformed vertex data. These are processed in a triangle setup unit to generate coefficients.

Rasterizes polygons

The rasterizer takes the coefficients from the triangle setup unit and applies equations to create fragments.

Interpolation

The properties at individual vertices are interpolated for each fragment produced by rasterization.

See http://malideveloper.arm.com/downloads/OpenGLES3.x/arm_mali_gpu_opengl_es_3-x_developer_guide_en.pdf.

The geometry is processing into one or more final pixels to be placed in a frame buffer. For example, the Pixel Processing Stage processes the fragments, and ultimately “[t]he resulting pixel color is placed into the corresponding location in the frambuffer.”

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1.6.5 Fragment processing

Each fragment is assigned a color. This stage usually involves one or more texture look-ups.

The fragment shader defines the fragment processing operations and it is executed once per fragment.

1.6.6 Framebuffer operations

The resulting pixel color is placed into the corresponding location in the framebuffer.

Depending on the render states set for the draw call, the fragment is subjected to a series of tests and combination operations on route to the location. The tests include:

- Depth testing. Compares the new fragment depth value to the depth value of the fragment that is previously written to this pixel, and discards it if it fails the depth test comparison.
- Blending. Calculates the resulting pixel color as a combination of the fragment color and the existing pixel color.
- Scissoring. Restricts rendering to a certain area of the framebuffer, and discards the fragment if it is located outside that area.

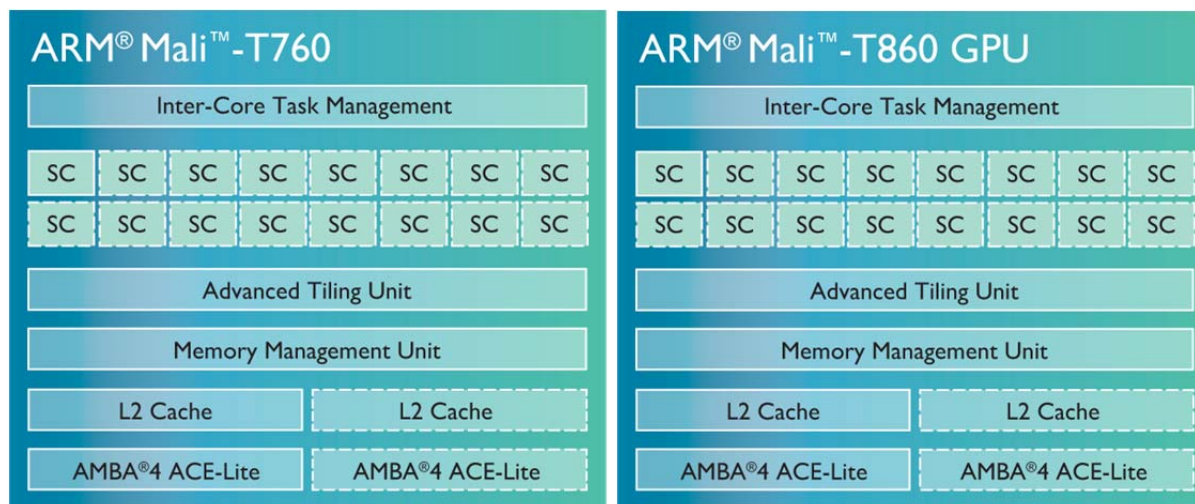
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For example, as depicted below, the Mali GPU includes multiple parallel SCs.



See <http://www.arm.com/products/multimedia/mali-gpu/high-performance/mali-t760.php>;
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03.          foreach( fragment in primitive in tile )
04.              render fragment
05.
    
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For example, the Mali GPUs implement tiled-based rendering. On information and belief, the tile based rendering of the Mali GPU is substantially similar to the Mali-400 GPU.

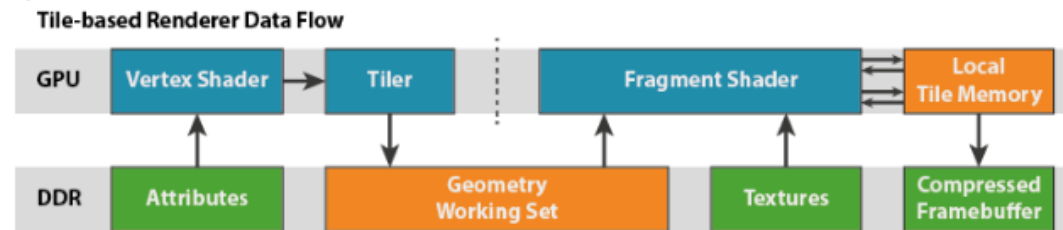
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As a 16x16 tile is only a small fraction of the total screen area it is possible to keep the entire working set (color, depth, and stencil) for a whole tile in a fast RAM which is tightly coupled with the GPU shader core.



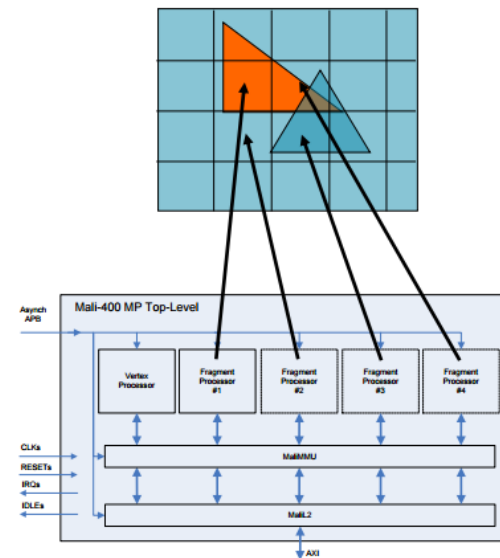
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Furthermore, as depicted below, the geometry is determined to locate in a portion of an output screen defined by a tile.

Going Multi-Core

- All cores work in parallel on separate tasks
- Each core processes one tile at a time until completion – no communication between cores
- Tiles assigned statically to cores in a swizzled order
- Tile processing order maximizes L2 hit rate for polygon descriptors, textures



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http://www.highperformancegraphics.org/previous/www_2010/media/Hot3D/HPG2010_Hot3D_ARM.pdf

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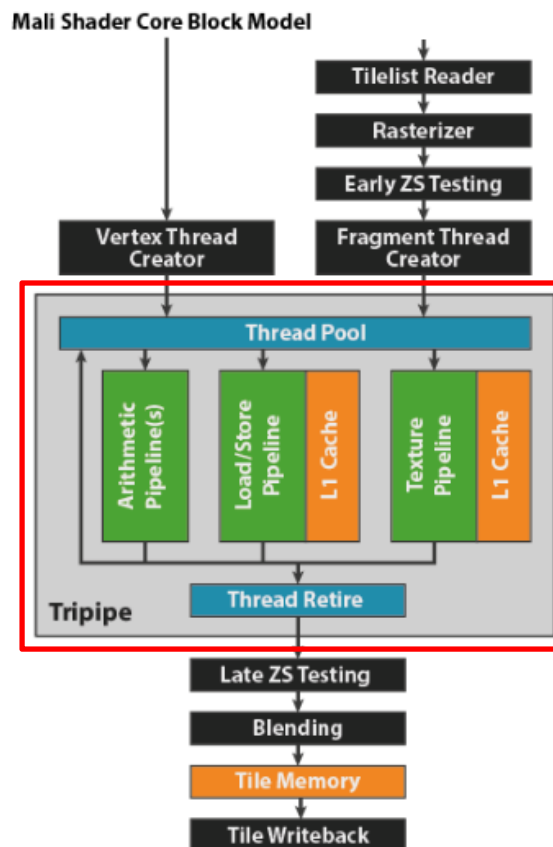
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For example, each Shader includes a programmable Tri-Pipe, which includes the TA, LSU, and ALU.

The Midgard Shader Core

The Mali shader core is structured as a number of fixed-function hardware blocks wrapped around a programmable "tripipe" execution core. The fixed function units perform the setup for a shader operation - such as rasterizing triangles or performing depth testing - or handling the post-shader activities - such as blending, or writing back a whole tile's worth of data at the end of rendering. The tripipe itself is the programmable part responsible for the execution of shader programs.

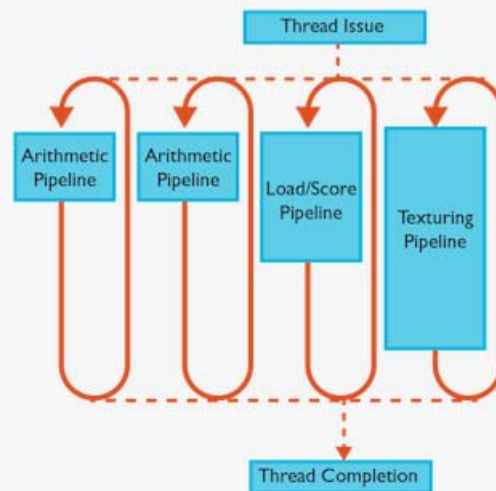


See The Mali GPU: An Abstract Machine, Part 3 - The Midgard Shader Core, <https://community.arm.com/groups/arm-mali-graphics/blog/2014/03/12/the-mali-gpu-an-abstract-machine-part-3--the-shader-core>.

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As we've stated before, for our purposes we're primarily looking at the Mali-T760. On the T760 ARM uses 2 ALU blocks per tri pipe, which is the most common configuration that you will see for Midgard. However ARM also has Midgard designs that have 1 ALU block or 4 ALU blocks per tri pipe, which is one of the reasons why seemingly similarly GPUs such as T760, T720, and T678 can look so similar and yet behave so differently.

ARM Mali Midgard Arithmetic Pipeline Count (Per Core)	
T628	2
T678	4
T720	1
T760	2

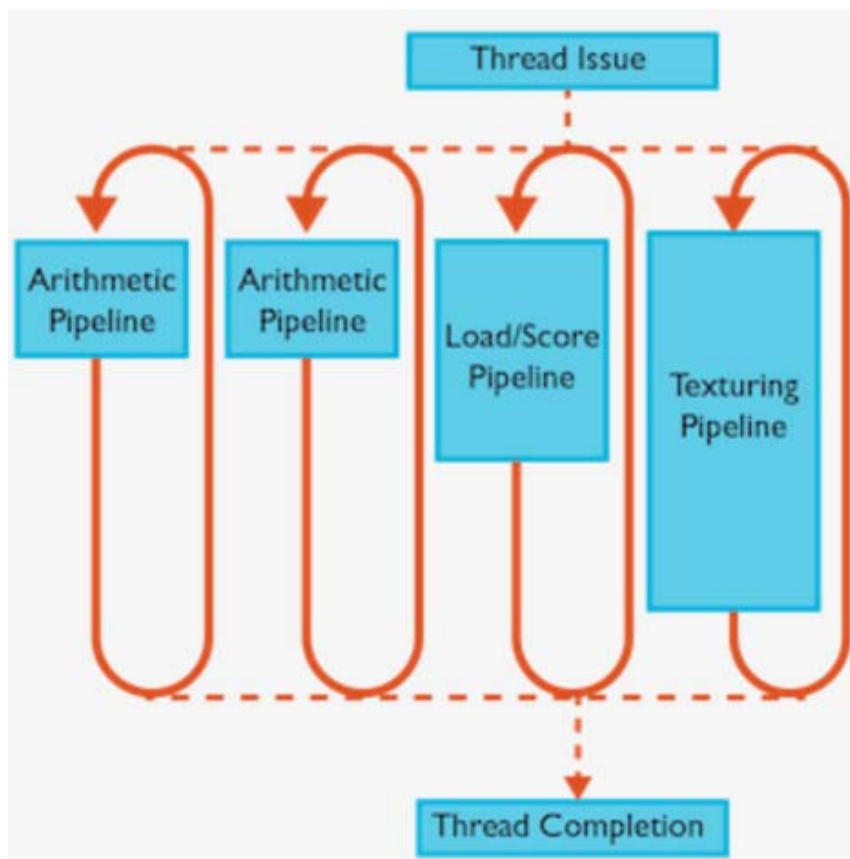
Without being fully exhaustive, among various Midgard designs T628 and T760 are 2 ALU designs, while T720 is a 1 ALU design, and T678 is a 4 ALU design.

As one would expect, the different number of arithmetic pipelines per tri pipe has a knock-on effect on performance in all aspects, due to the changing ratio between the number of arithmetic pipelines and the number of load/store units and texture units. T678, for example, would be fairly shader-heavy, whereas the 2 ALU designs strike a closer balance between shading and texturing. Among the various Midgard designs ARM has experimented with several configurations, and with the T700 series they have settled on 2 ALU designs for the high-end T760 and 1 ALU for the mid-range T720 (although ARM likes to point out that T720 has some further optimizations just for this 1 ALU configuration).

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In particular, the shading operations comprise texture operations. For example, the SC includes a texture pipeline, load/store pipeline and a plurality of arithmetic pipelines. The "texture pipeline (T-pipe) is responsible for all memory access to do with textures. The texture pipeline can return one bilinear filtered texel per clock; trilinear filtering requires us to load samples from two different mipmaps in memory." See <https://community.arm.com/groups/arm-mali-graphics/blog/2014/03/12/the-mali-gpu-an-abstract-machine-part-3--the-shader-core>.



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7.2.2 About Mali GPU architectures

Mali GPUs use a SIMD architecture. Instructions operate on multiple data elements simultaneously.

The peak throughput depends on the hardware implementation of the Mali GPU type and configuration.

The Mali GPUs contain 1 to 16 identical shader cores. Each shader core supports up to 384 concurrently executing threads.

Each shader core contains:

- One to four arithmetic pipelines.
- One load-store pipeline.
- One texture pipeline.

See "ARM Guide to Unity" Version 2.1 page 7-64 available at http://infocenter.arm.com/help/topic/com.arm.doc.100140_0201_00_en/arm_guide_to_unity_enhancing_your_mobile_games_100140_0201_00_en.pdf (accessed 10/27/2016).

The arithmetic pipeline ("ALU") performs texture operations. For example, the "ALU pipeline can read/write to 32 128-bit registers" including "texture pipeline results" from the texture pipe.

Registers

The ALU pipeline can read/write to 32 128-bit registers, which can be divided into 4 32-bit (highp in GLSL) components (one vec4) or 8 16-bit (mediump) components (two vec4's). Some of the registers, however, are dedicated to special purposes (see below) and are read-only or write-only.

Special Registers

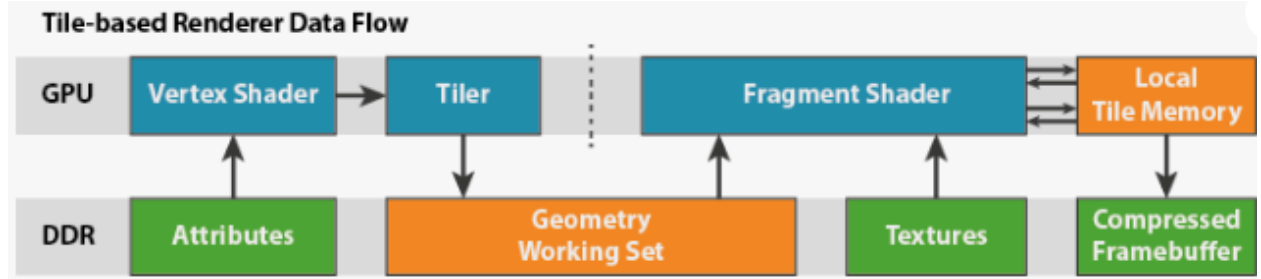
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r24 - can mean "unused" for 1-src instructions, or a pipeline register
r26 - inline constant
r27 - load/store offset when used as output register
r28-r29 - texture pipeline results
r31.w - conditional select input when written to in scalar add ALU
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r0 - r23 is divided into two spaces: work registers and uniform registers. A configurable number of registers can be devoted to each; if there are N uniform registers, then r0 - r(23-N) are work registers and r(24-N)-r23 are uniform registers.

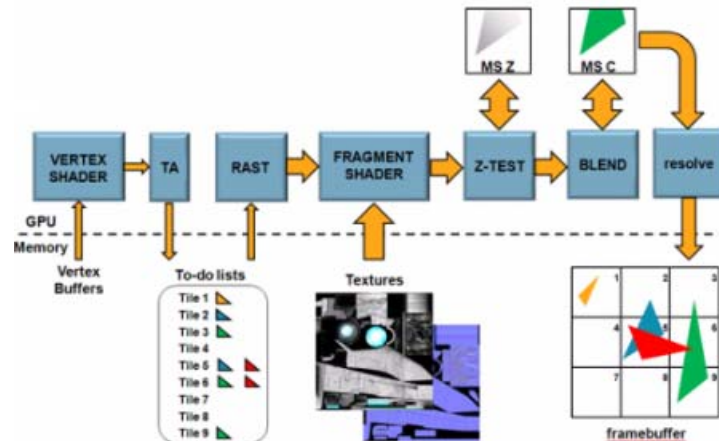
See <http://limadriver.org/T6xx+ISA/>.

The ALU also performs color operations. For example, the "Mali [GPU] only has to write the color data for a single tile back to memory at the end of the tile." See https://community.arm.com/groups/arm-mali-graphics/blog/2014/02/20/the-mali-gpu-an-abstract-machine-part-2_

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Moreover, the ALU is responsible for performing the “[m]ath in the shaders[.]”

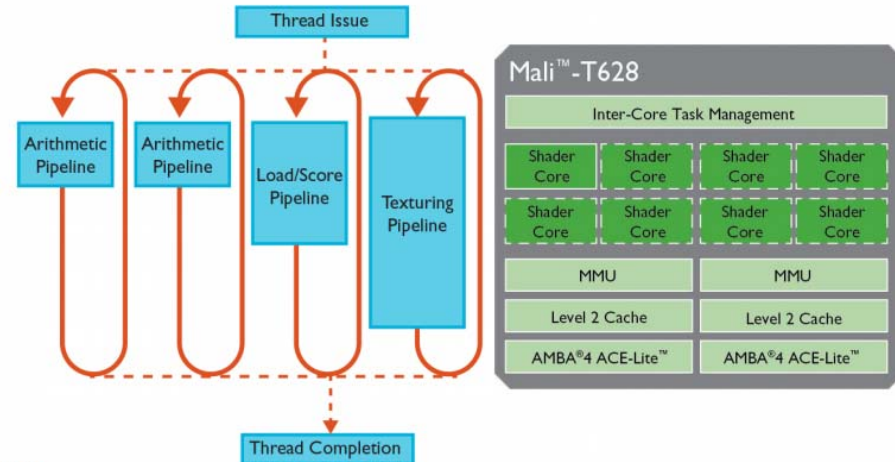
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ARM® Mali™-T628 GPU Tripipe

Tripipe Cycles

- Arithmetic instructions
 - Math in the shaders
- Load & Store instructions
 - Uniforms, attributes and varyings
- Texture instructions
 - Texture sampling and filtering

- Instructions can run in parallel
- Each one can be a bottleneck
- There are two arithmetic pipelines so we should aim to increase the arithmetic workload



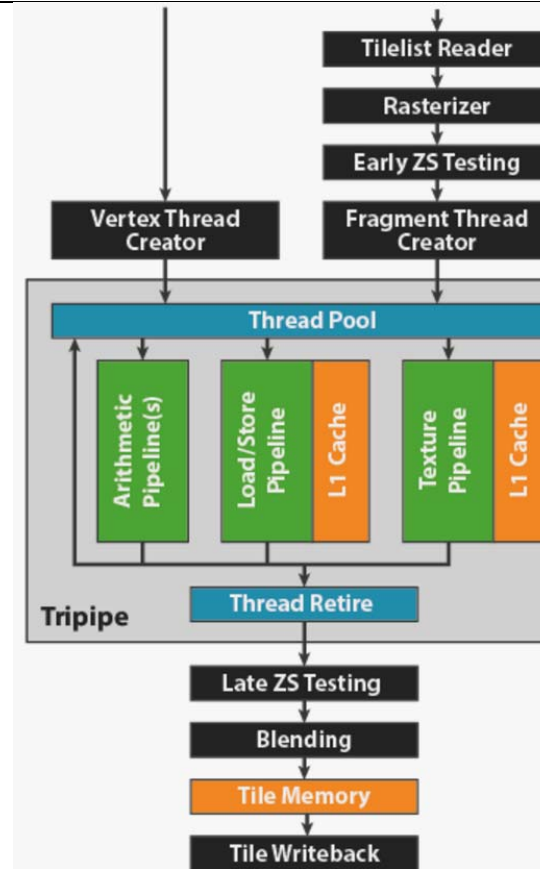
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 See <http://malideveloper.arm.com/downloads/GDC14/Weds/11.15amStreamlineMaliHWCounters.pdf>.

Additionally, “there are three classes of execution pipeline in the tripipe design: one handling arithmetic operations, one handling memory load/store and varying access, and one handling texture access. There is one load/store and one texture pipe per shader core, but the number of arithmetic pipelines can vary depending on which GPU you are using; most silicon shipping today will have two arithmetic pipelines.” See <https://community.arm.com/groups/arm-mali-graphics/blog/2014/03/12/the-mali-gpu-an-abstract-machine-part-3--the-shader-core>.

See http://malideveloper.arm.com/downloads/ARM_Game_Developer_Days/PDFs/2-Mali-GPU-architecture-overview-and-tile-local-storage.pdf.



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1.1 About Mali GPUs

ARM produces the following families of Mali GPUs:

Mali Midgard GPUs

Mali Midgard GPUs include the following:

- Mali-T600 series.
- Mali-T720.
- Mali-T760.
- Mali-T820.
- Mali-T830.
- Mali-T860.
- Mali-T880.

Mali Utgard GPU

The Mali Utgard GPUs include the following:

- Mali-300.
- Mali-400 MP.
- Mali-450 MP.
- Mali-470 MP.

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The Mali Utgard GPUs do not support OpenCL.

Mali GPUs can have one or more shader cores. Each shader core contains one or more *Arithmetic Logic Units* (ALUs).

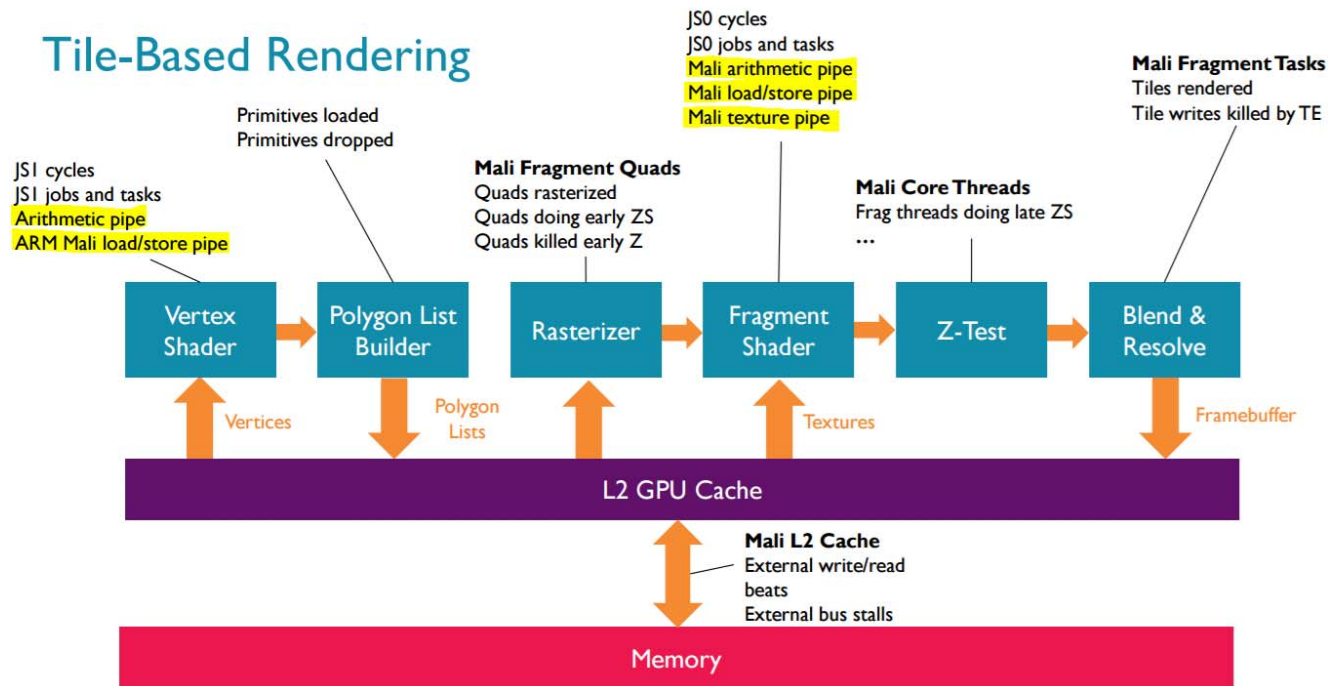
The ALUs are based on a *Single Instruction Multiple Data* (SIMD) architecture. Instructions operate on multiple data elements simultaneously.

Mali GPUs run data processing tasks in parallel that contain relatively little control code. Mali GPUs typically contain many more processing units than application processors. This enables Mali GPUs to compute at a higher rate than application processors, without using more power.

See “ARM Guide to Unity” Version 2.1 page 1.1 available at http://infocenter.arm.com/help/topic/com.arm.doc.100140_0201_00_en/arm_guide_to_unity_enhancing_your_mobile_games_100140_0201_00_en.pdf (accessed 10/27/2016).

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Tile-Based Rendering



See ARM, How to Optimize Your Mobile Game with ARM Tools and Practical Examples, p.33, <http://malideveloper.arm.com/downloads/GDC15/How%20to%20Optimize%20Your%20Mobile%20Game%20with%20ARM%20Tools%20and%20Practical%20Examples.pdf>.