Virgil3D: a virtio based 3D GPU

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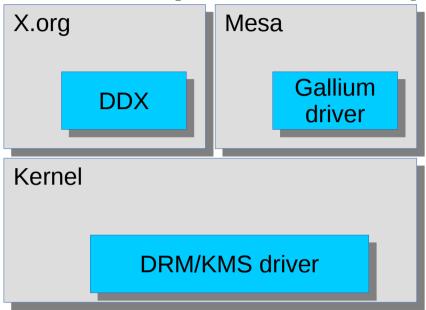
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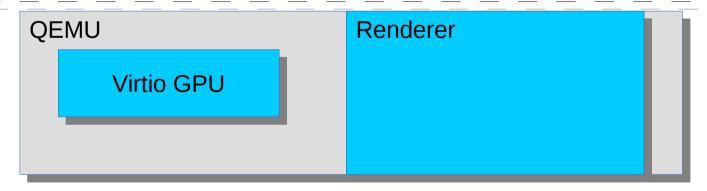
- Research project
 - Initial implementation just to see
- Focus
 - Work out the 3D side of a virtio GPU
 - Get familiar with virtio and gemu code
- Based on Mesa project Gallium 3D
- Linux focused

Other projects

- Vgallium
 - relied on gallium drivers in host
 - Old version of gallium
 - Unmaintained
- VirtualBox GL passthrough
 - GL based is too large a surface area
 - Unknown security implications
- Vmware SVGAII
 - Closed source
 - Based on DX9 so limited capability

Components (Linux)





OpenGL

Virtio interface

- Single virtio ring
 - Context management
 - Create, Destroy, Attach Resource, Detach Resource
 - 3D Resource management
 - Create, Destroy, Flush, Attach SG, Detach SG
 - DMA-like transfer operations
 - · Get, Put
 - Modesetting
 - Command stream submission
 - Capabilities
 - Fencing
- IRQ for fencing
- Config space for fencing and cursor handling

Rendering Command stream

- Gallium state objects
 - Blend, rasterizer, dsa, shaders, samplers, queries etc.
 - Create, bind, destroy operations
- Non-state operations
 - Framebuffer, scissor, viewport, vbos.
- Rendering
 - Draw, clear, blit
- Queries

Renderer

- Convert gallium states to GL interface
- Convert TGSI shaders to GLSL shaders
- GL host context per guest context
 - Required for proper conditional rendering operation
- Works out capabilities from GL version and extensions
- Currently uses GLSL 1.30 shader programs

GL versions

- Guest currently at GL 2.1 + GLSL 1.20
- Host requires GL2.1 + GLSL1.30
- Up to GL3.0 in the guest mostly done
 - Issues with multisample textures and hibernate/migration
- 3.1 and above open a number of questions
 - Lack of ARB_compatiblity

Issues

- How best to get 64-bit values back from host
 - Status page seems like my best answer
- How to get fence irqs?
 - Second vq instead seems like overkill
 - Can a vq attach 0 elements?
 - Or maybe just attach status page all the time
- GL 3.x context creation
 - Due to deprecated features

virtio-gpu

- Secondary project
- Produce a basic virtio gpu that the virgil renderer can attach to.
- Multi-head capable
- Unaccelerated
- PCI and VGA extras

Port QEMU to SDL 2

- SDL 2
 - Multiple window support
 - ARGB cursor support
 - Better GL support
 - EGL
 - Very different input

Qemu console multi-head

- Initial implementation
 - Add arrays of DisplaySurfaces to QemuConsole
 - Add idx version of some interfaces
 - Use SDL2 multi-window support for demo
- TODO
 - Howto to work out num heads limits

Beyond SDL

- Libvirt integration
- Security
- DRM render nodes
- Using EGL and dma-buf to share the final rendered image
- Viewer using GLX/EGL to composite final rendered image

Demos

Virgil3D rendering

Virtio-vga multi-head