

Computer Graphics (CS 543)

Lecture 9 (Part 2): Clipping

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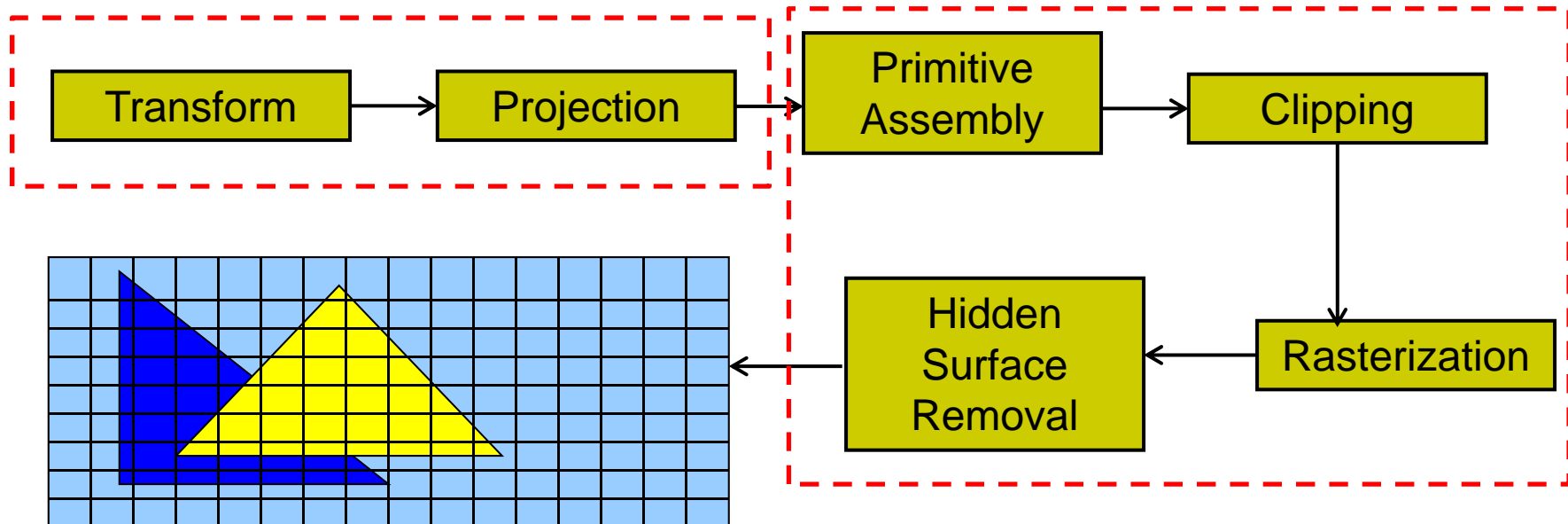


OpenGL Stages

- After projection, several stages before objects drawn to screen
- These stages are non-programmable

Vertex shader: programmable

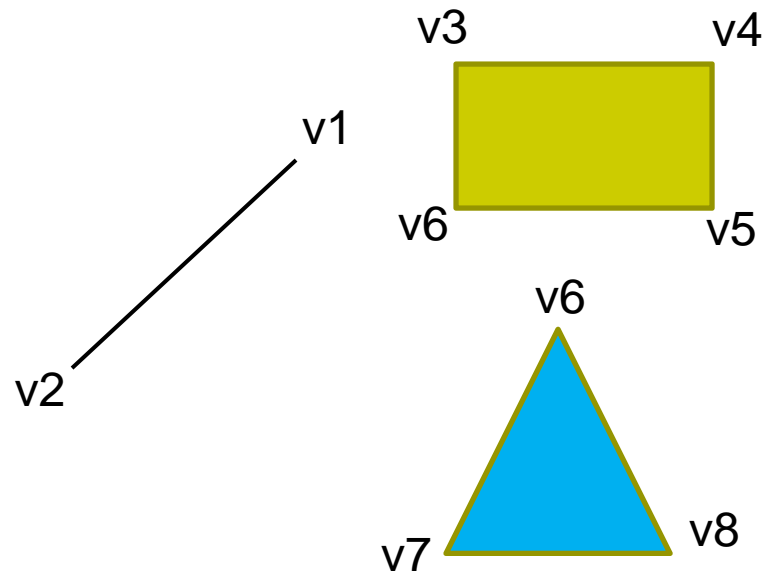
In hardware: **NOT** programmable





Hardware Stage: Primitive Assembly

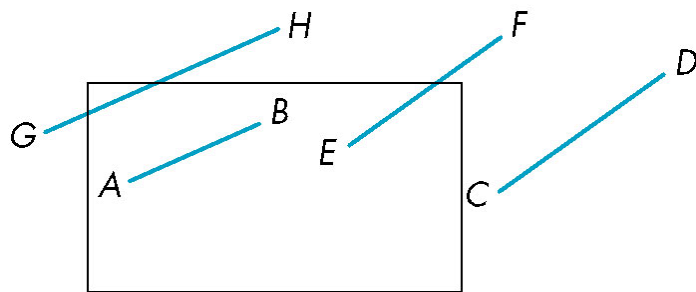
- Up till now: Transformations and projections applied to vertices individually
- **Primitive assembly:** After transforms, projections, individual vertices grouped back into primitives
- E.g. **v6, v7 and v8** grouped back into triangle



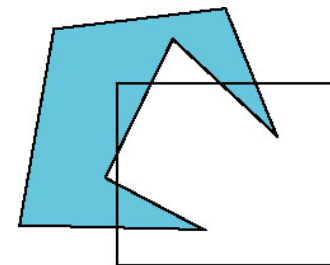


Hardware Stage: Clipping

- After primitive assembly, subsequent operations are **per-primitive**
- **Clipping:** Remove primitives (lines, polygons, text, curves) outside view frustum (canonical view volume)



Clipping lines

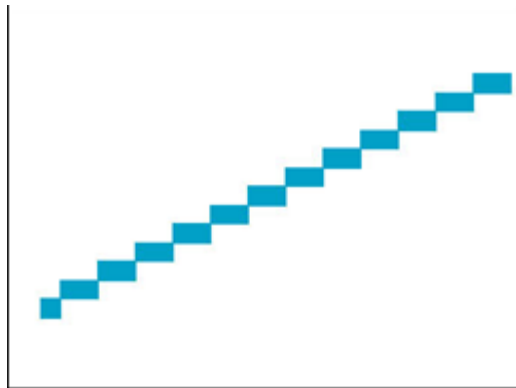


Clipping polygons



Rasterization

- Determine which pixels that primitives map to
 - Fragment generation
 - Rasterization or scan conversion

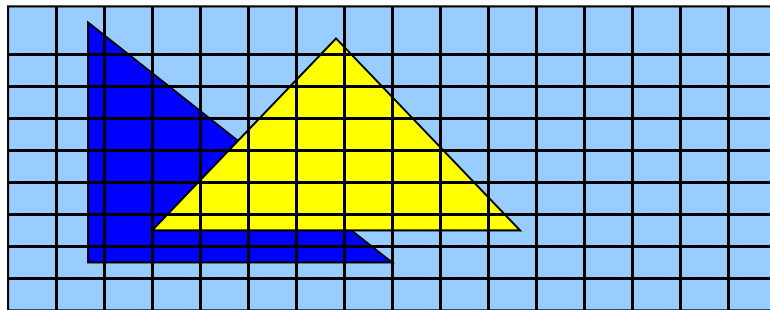




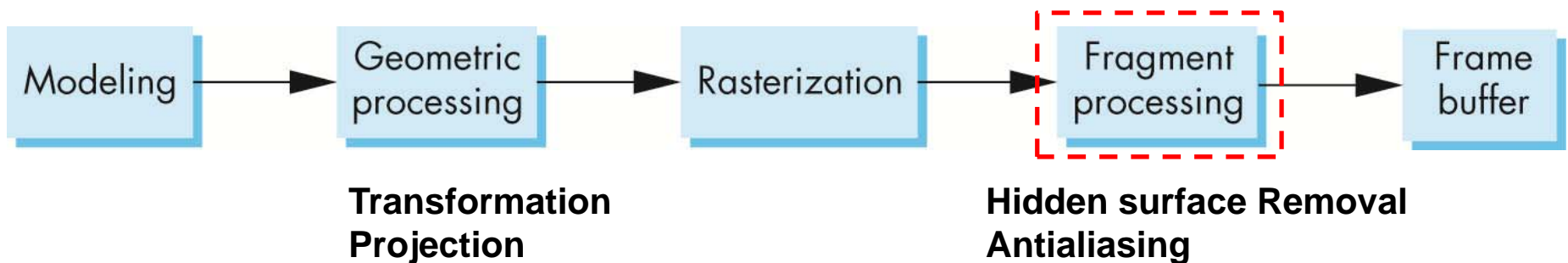
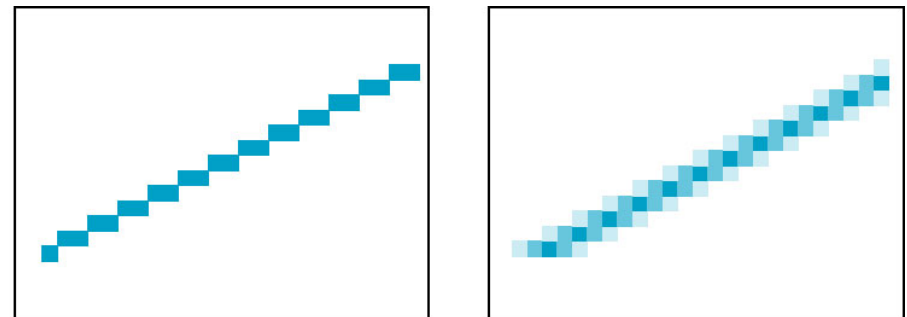
Fragment Processing

- Some tasks deferred until fragment processing

Hidden Surface Removal



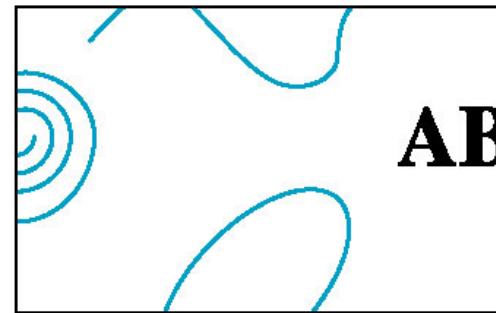
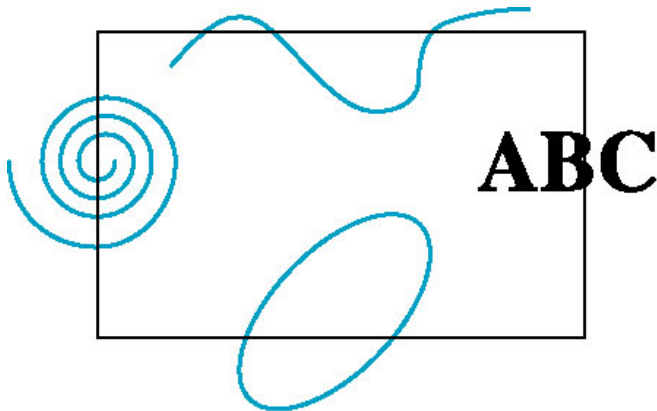
Antialiasing





Clipping

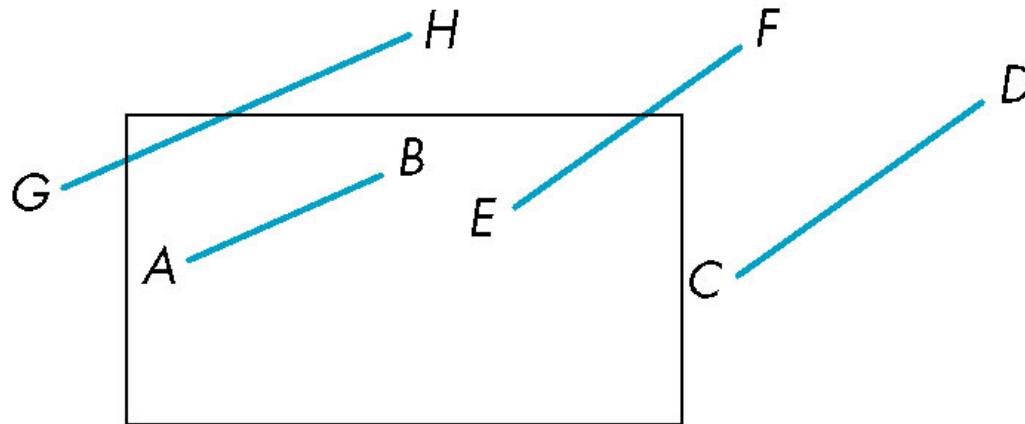
- 2D and 3D clipping algorithms
 - 2D against clipping window
 - 3D against clipping volume
- 2D clipping
 - Lines (e.g. dino.dat)
 - Polygons
 - Curves
 - Text





Clipping 2D Line Segments

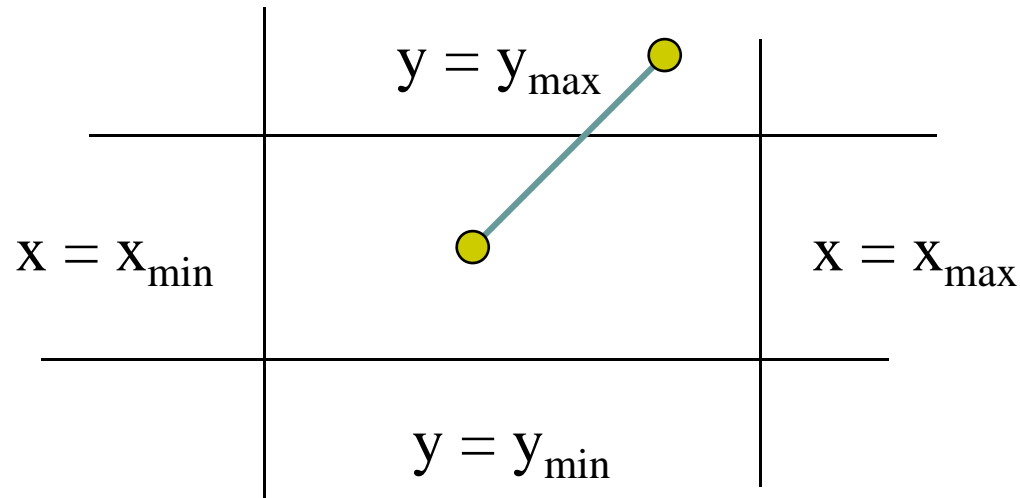
- **Brute force approach:** compute intersections with all sides of clipping window
 - Inefficient: one division per intersection



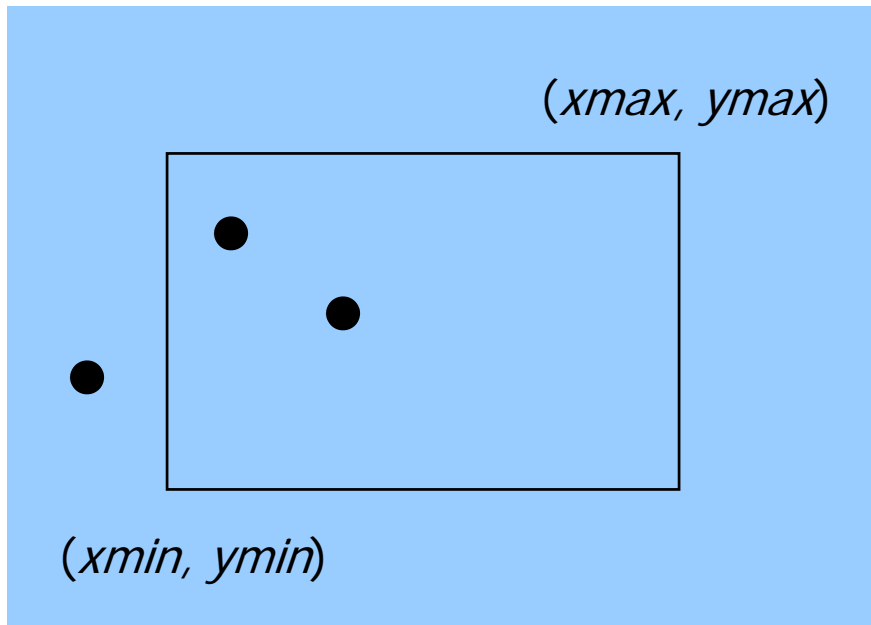


2D Clipping

- **Better Idea:** eliminate as many cases as possible without computing intersections
- Cohen-Sutherland Clipping algorithm



Clipping Points

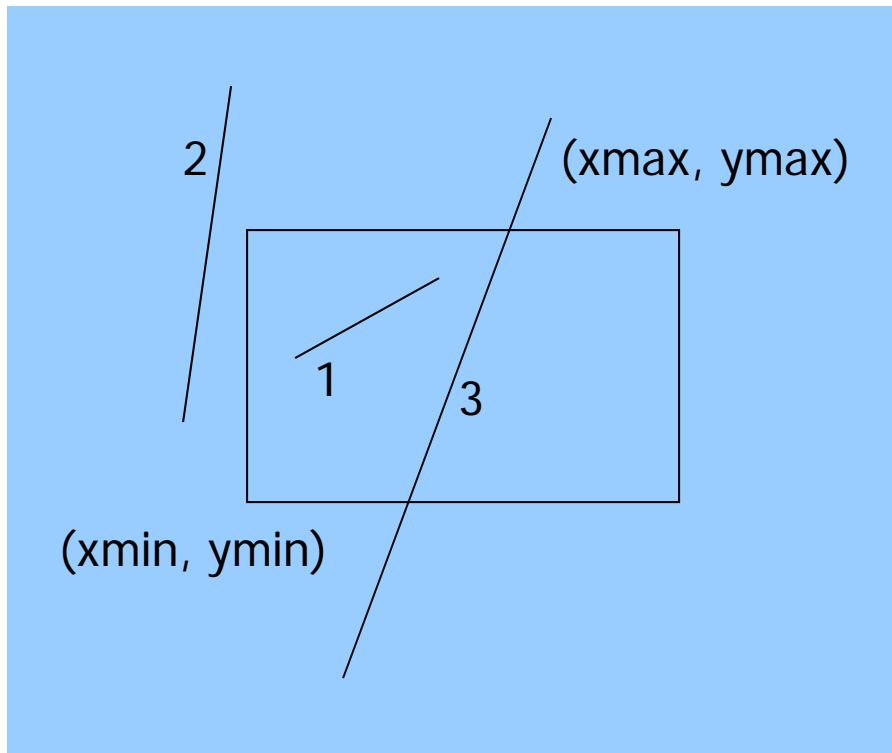


Determine whether a point (x,y) is inside or outside of the world window?

If $(x_{min} \leq x \leq x_{max})$
and $(y_{min} \leq y \leq y_{max})$

then the point (x,y) is inside
else the point is outside

Clipping Lines



3 cases:

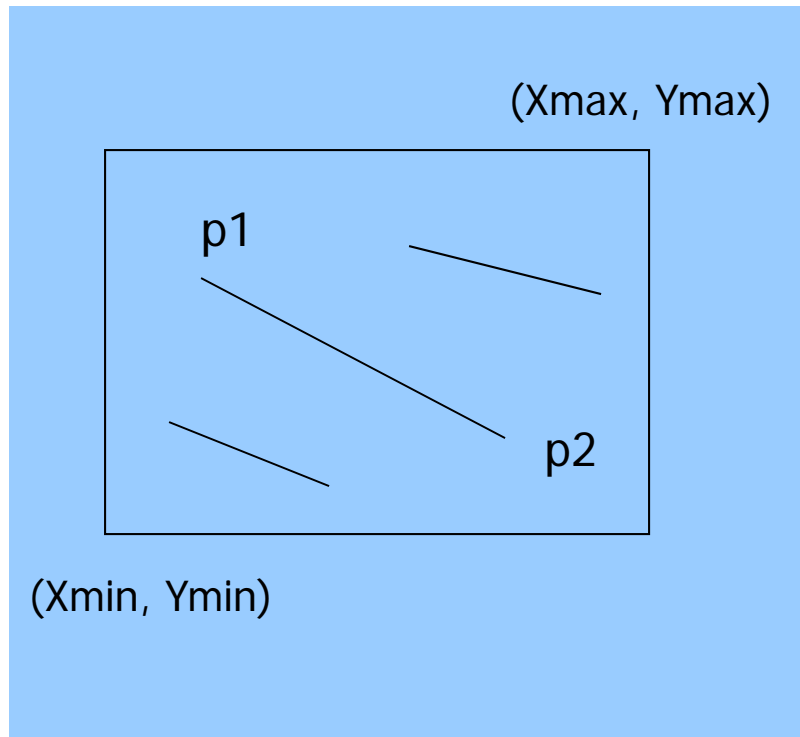
Case 1: All of line in

Case 2: All of line out

Case 3: Part in, part out



Clipping Lines: Trivial Accept



Case 1: All of line in
Test line endpoints:

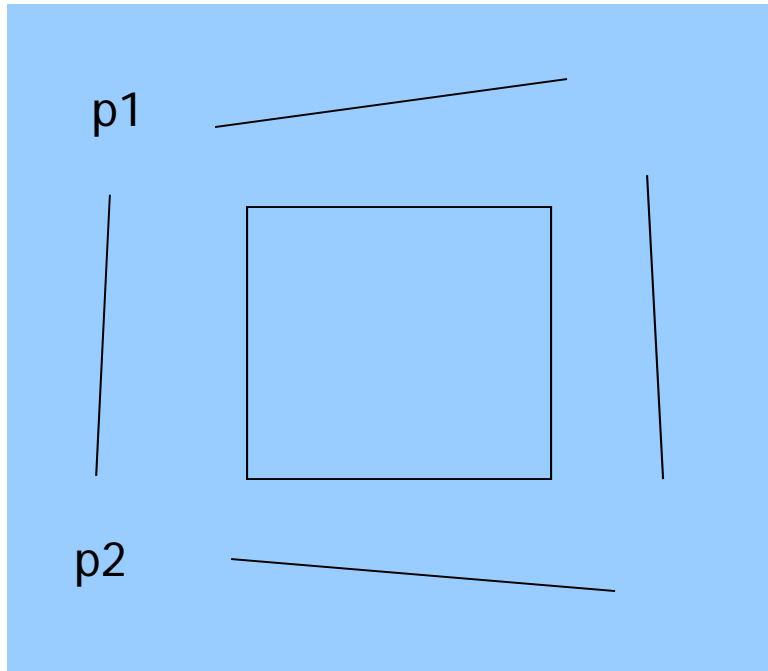
$$Xmin \leq P1.x, P2.x \leq Xmax \text{ and} \\ Ymin \leq P1.y, P2.y \leq Ymax$$

Note: simply comparing x,y values of
endpoints to x,y values of rectangle

Result: trivially accept.
Draw line in completely



Clipping Lines: Trivial Reject



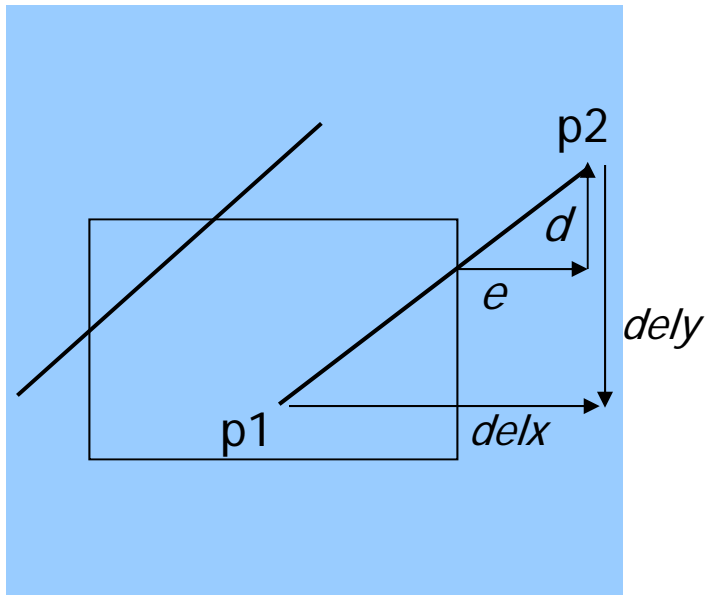
Case 2: All of line out
Test line endpoints:

- $p1.x, p2.x \leq Xmin$ OR
- $p1.x, p2.x \geq Xmax$ OR
- $p1.y, p2.y \leq ymin$ OR
- $p1.y, p2.y \geq ymax$

Note: simply comparing x,y values of endpoints to x,y values of rectangle

Result: trivially reject.
Don't draw line in

Clipping Lines: Non-Trivial Cases



Case 3: Part in, part out

Two variations:

One point in, other out

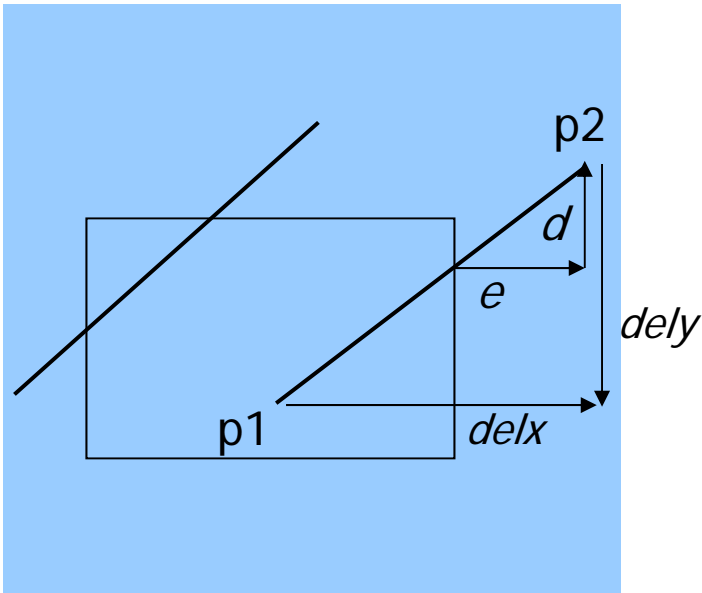
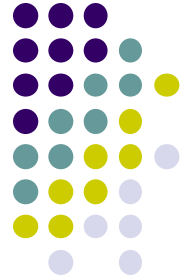
Both points out, but part of line cuts through viewport

Need to find inside segments

Use similar triangles to figure out length of inside segments

$$\frac{d}{dely} = \frac{e}{delx}$$

Clipping Lines: Calculation example



If chopping window has
(left, right, bottom, top) = (30, 220, 50, 240),
what happens when the following lines are
chopped?

(a) p1 = (40,140), p2 = (100, 200)

(b) p1 = (20,10), p2 = (20, 200)

(c) p1 = (100,180), p2 = (200, 250)

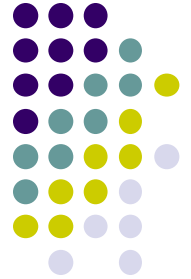
$$\frac{d}{dely} = \frac{e}{delx}$$

Cohen-Sutherland pseudocode (Hill)



```
int clipSegment(Point2& p1, Point2& p2, RealRect W)
{
    do{
        if(trivial accept) return 1; // whole line survives
        if(trivial reject) return 0; // no portion survives
        // now chop
        if(p1 is outside)
            // find surviving segment
            {
                if(p1 is to the left) chop against left edge
                else if(p1 is to the right) chop against right edge
                else if(p1 is below) chop against the bottom edge
                else if(p1 is above) chop against the top edge
            }
    }
```


Cohen-Sutherland pseudocode (Hill)



```
else // p2 is outside
    // find surviving segment
    {
        if(p2 is to the left) chop against left edge
        else if(p2 is to right) chop against right edge
        else if(p2 is below) chop against the bottom edge
        else if(p2 is above) chop against the top edge
    }
}while(1);
}
```

Using Outcodes to Speed Up Comparisons



- Encode each endpoint into outcode (what quadrant)

$b_0b_1b_2b_3$

$b_0 = 1$ if $y > y_{\max}$, 0 otherwise
 $b_1 = 1$ if $y < y_{\min}$, 0 otherwise
 $b_2 = 1$ if $x > x_{\max}$, 0 otherwise
 $b_3 = 1$ if $x < x_{\min}$, 0 otherwise

1001	1000	1010	$y = y_{\max}$
0001	0000	0010	
0101	0100	0110	$y = y_{\min}$
	$x = x_{\min}$	$x = x_{\max}$	

- Outcodes divide space into 9 regions
- Trivial accept/reject becomes bit-wise comparison



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