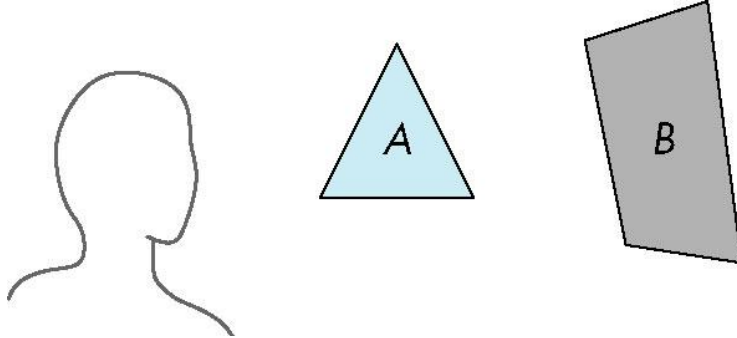


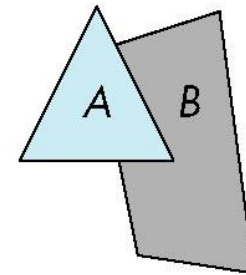


Painter's HSR Algorithm

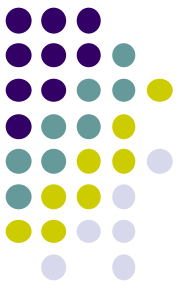
- Render polygons farthest to nearest
- Similar to painter layers oil paint



Viewer sees B behind A



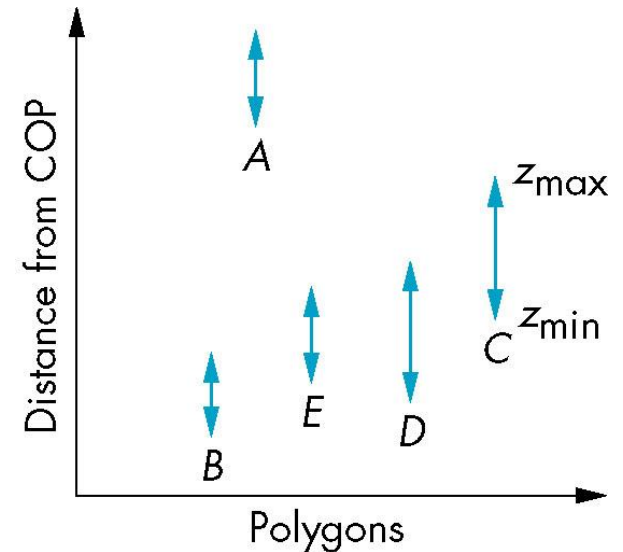
Render B then A



Depth Sort

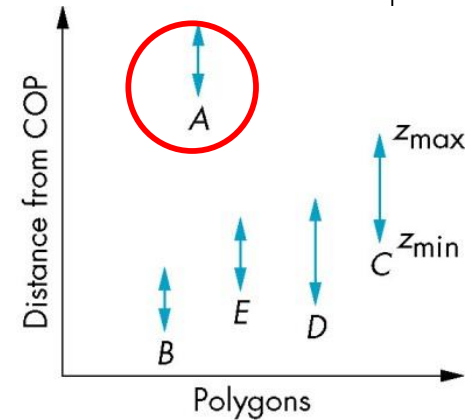
- Requires sorting polygons (based on depth)
 - $O(n \log n)$ complexity to sort n polygon depths
 - Not every polygon is clearly in front or behind other polygons

Polygons sorted by distance from COP

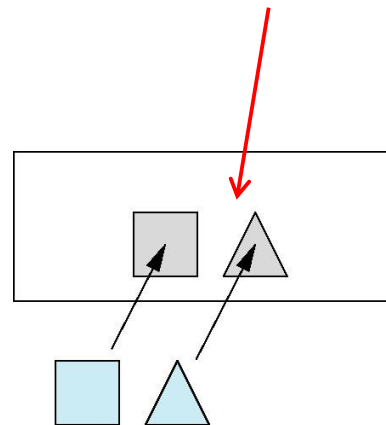


Easy Cases

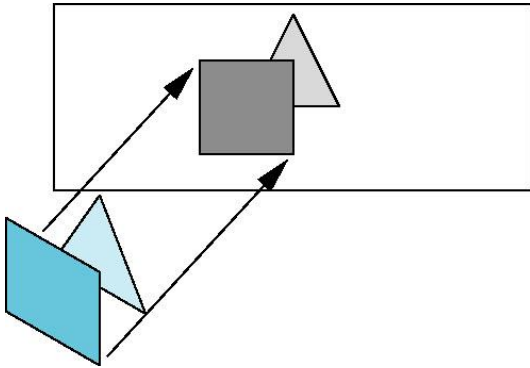
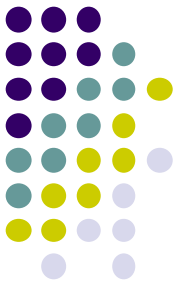
- Case a: A lies behind all polygons



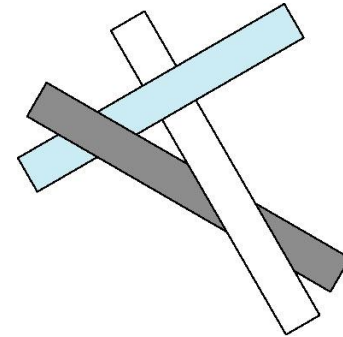
- Case b: Polygons overlap in z but **not** in x or y



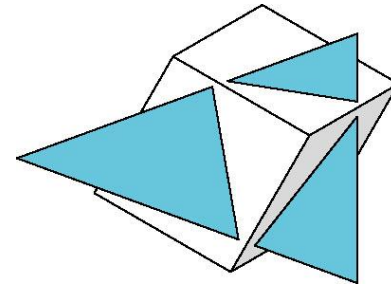
Hard Cases



Overlap in (x,y) and z ranges



cyclic overlap

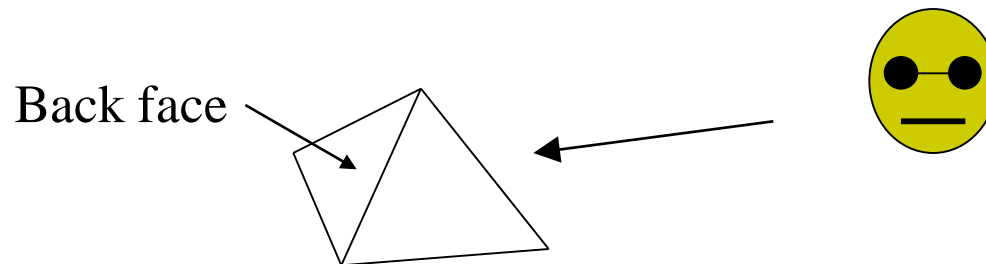


penetration



Back Face Culling

- **Back faces:** faces of opaque object that are “pointing away” from viewer
- **Back face culling:** do not draw back faces (saves resources)

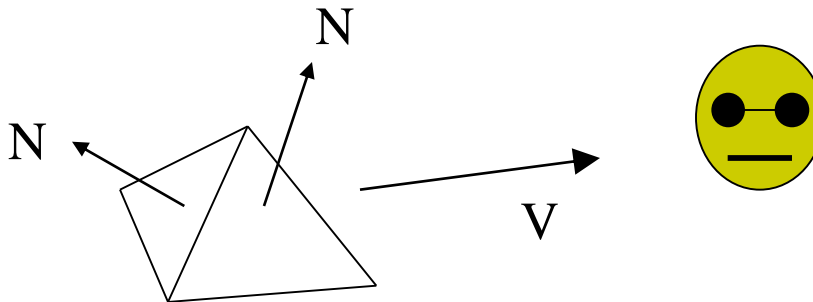


- How to detect back faces?



Back Face Culling

- Goal: Test if a face F is is backface
- How? Form vectors
 - View vector, V
 - Normal N to face F



Backface test: F is backface if $N \cdot V < 0$ why??



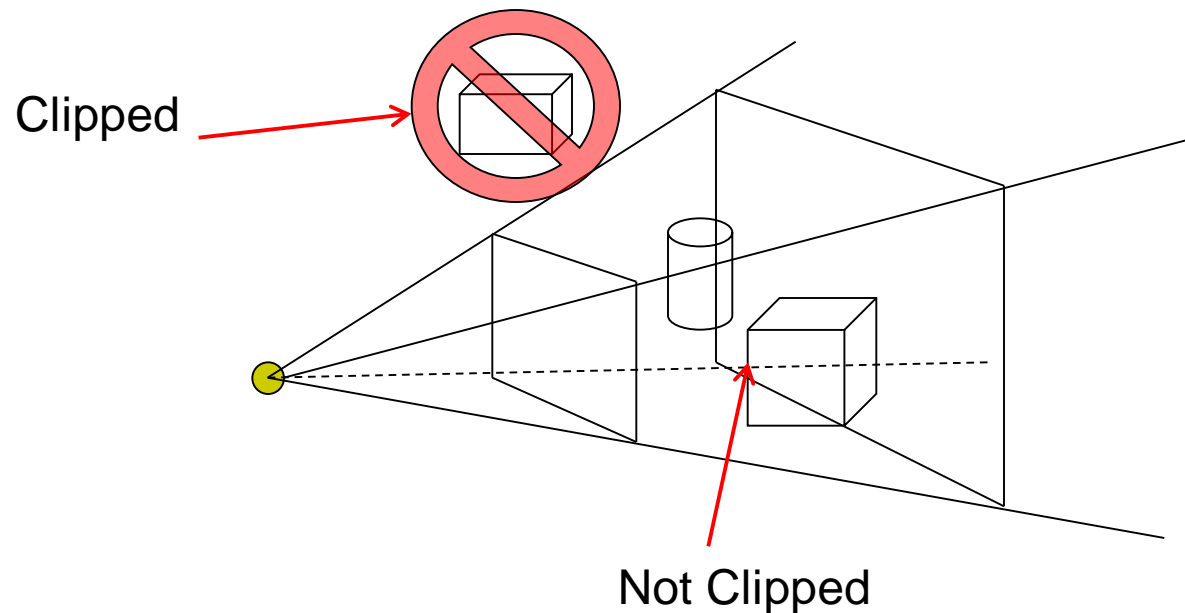
Back Face Culling: Draw mesh front faces

```
void drawFrontFaces( )  
{  
    for(int f = 0;f < numFaces; f++)  
    {  
        if(isBackFace(f, ....) continue; ← if N.V < 0  
        glDrawArrays(GL_POLYGON, 0, N);  
    }  
}
```



View-Frustum Culling

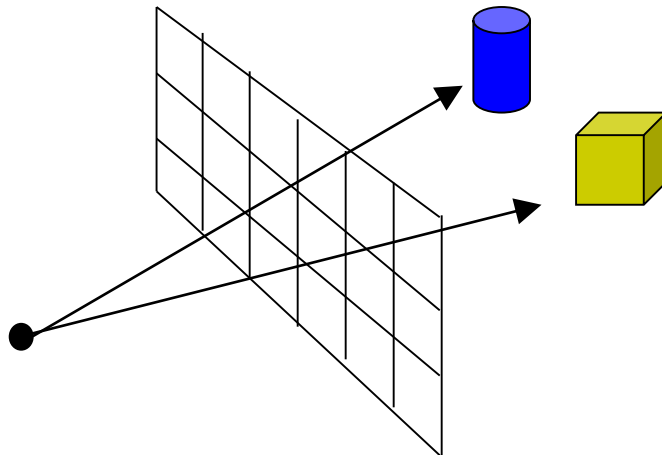
- **Goal:** Remove objects outside view frustum
- Done by 3D clipping algorithm (e.g. Liang-Barsky)



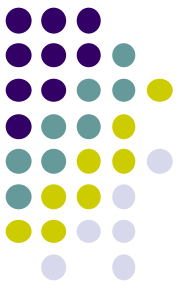


Ray Tracing

- Ray tracing is another image space method
- Ray tracing: Cast a ray from eye through each pixel into world.
- Ray tracing algorithm figures out: what object seen in direction through given pixel?



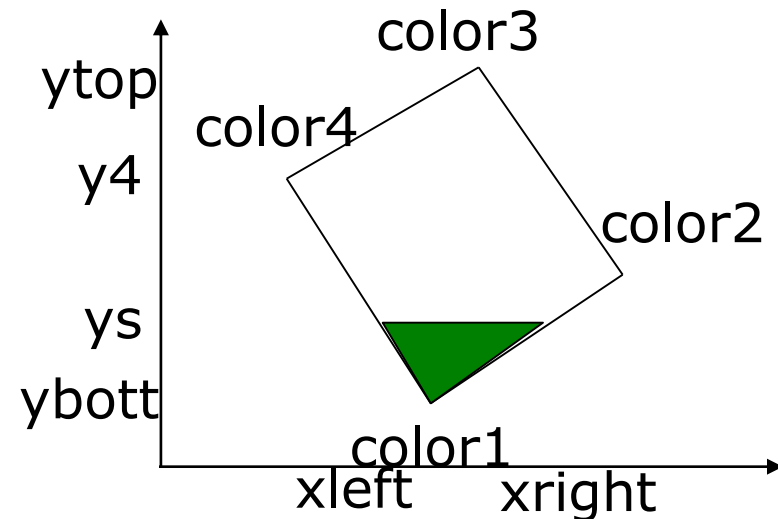
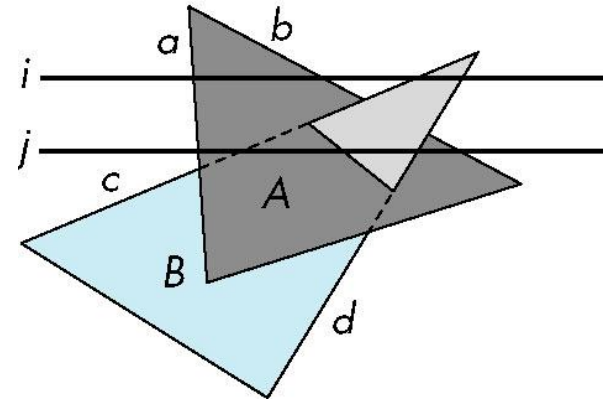
Topic of grad class



Combined z-buffer and Gouraud Shading (Hill)

- Can combine shading and hsr through scan line algorithm

```
for(int y = ybott; y <= ytop; y++) // for each scan line
{
    for(each polygon){
        find xleft and xright
        find dleft, dright, and dinc
        find colorleft and colorright, and colorinc
        for(int x = xleft, c = colorleft, d = dleft; x <= xright;
            x++, c+= colorinc, d+= dinc)
        {
            if(d < d[x][y])
            {
                put c into the pixel at (x, y)
                d[x][y] = d; // update closest depth
            }
        }
    }
}
```

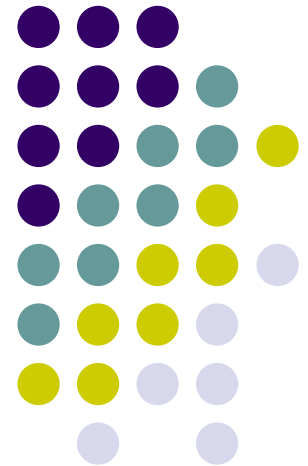


Computer Graphics (CS 4731)

Lecture 22: Rasterization: Line Drawing

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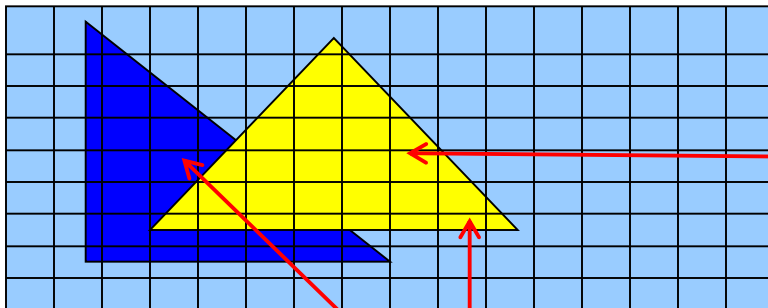
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Rasterization

- Rasterization generates set of **fragments**
- Implemented by graphics hardware
- Rasterization algorithms for primitives (e.g lines, circles, triangles, polygons)



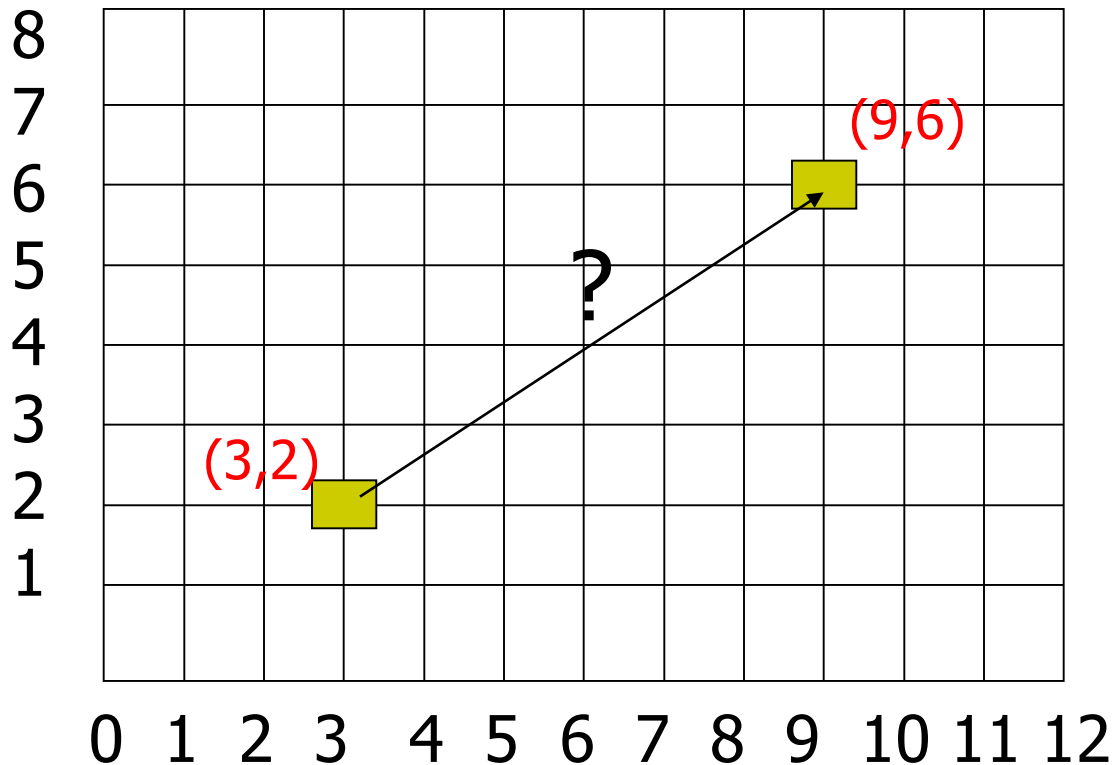
Fragments

**Rasterization: Determine Pixels
(fragments) each primitive covers**



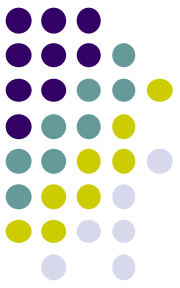
Line drawing algorithm

- Programmer specifies (x,y) of end pixels
- Need algorithm to determine pixels on line path



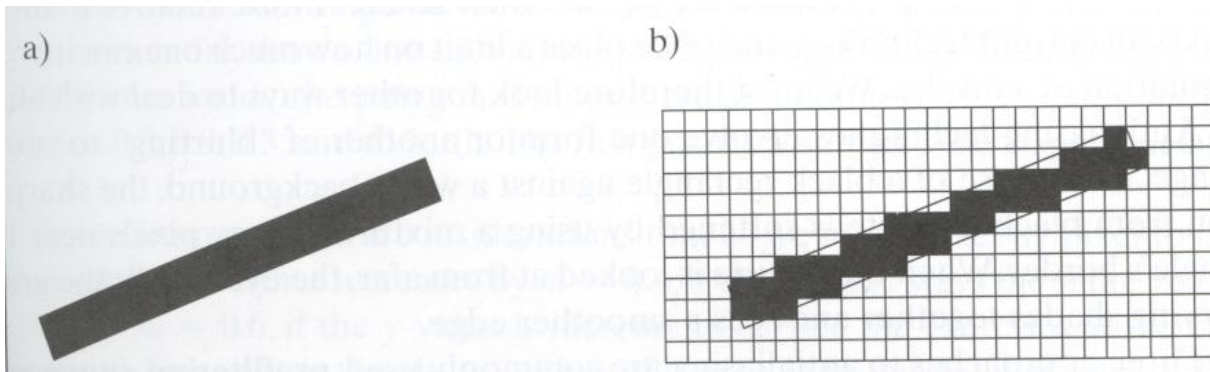
Line: $(3,2) \rightarrow (9,6)$

Which intermediate pixels to turn on?



Line drawing algorithm

- Pixel (x,y) values constrained to integer values
- Computed intermediate values may be floats
- Rounding may be required. E.g. $(10.48, 20.51)$ rounded to $(10, 21)$
- Rounded pixel value is off actual line path (jaggy!!)
- Sloped lines end up having jaggies
- Vertical, horizontal lines, no jaggies





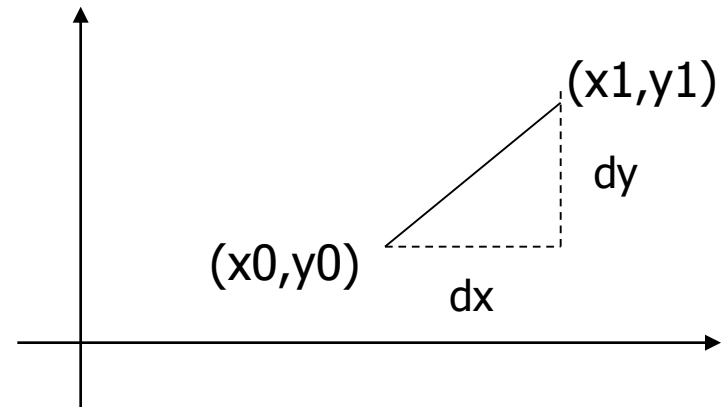
Line Drawing Algorithm

- Slope-intercept line equation

- $y = mx + b$
- Given 2 end points (x_0, y_0) , (x_1, y_1) , how to compute m and b ?

$$m = \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{y_1 - y_0}{x_1 - x_0}$$

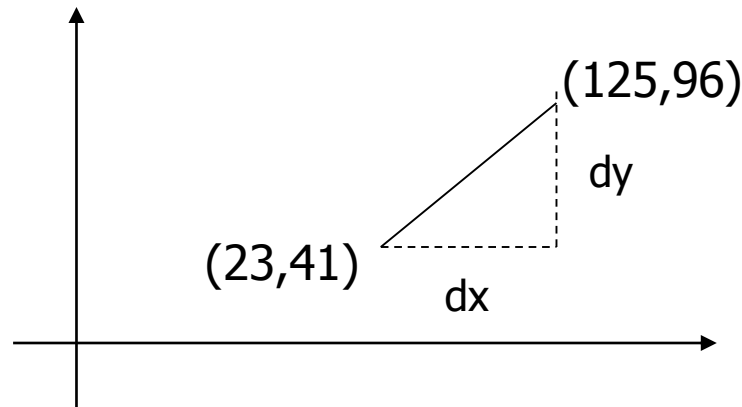
$$y_0 = m * x_0 + b$$
$$\Rightarrow b = y_0 - m * x_0$$



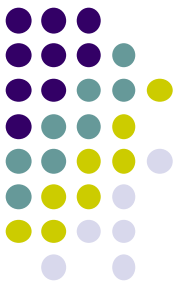


Line Drawing Algorithm

- Numerical example of finding slope m :
 - $(A_x, A_y) = (23, 41), (B_x, B_y) = (125, 96)$

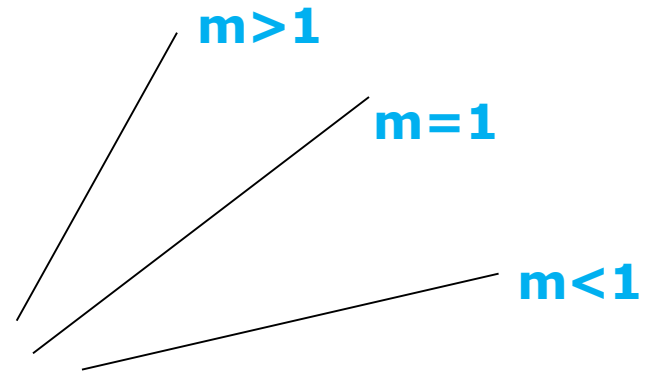
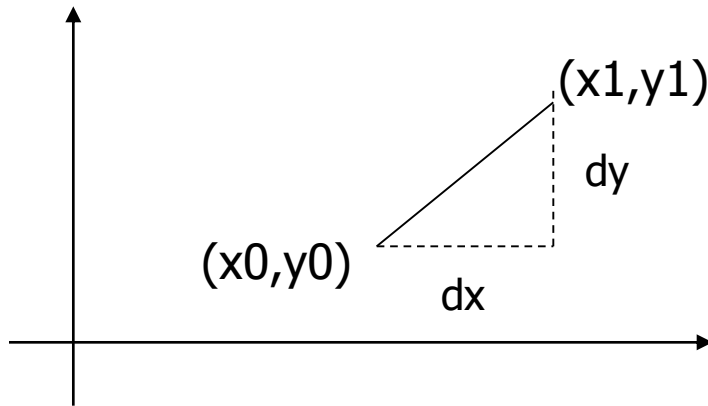


$$m = \frac{B_y - A_y}{B_x - A_x} = \frac{96 - 41}{125 - 23} = \frac{55}{102} = 0.5392$$



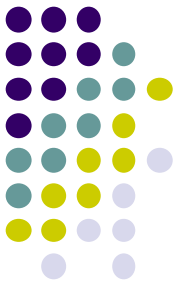
Digital Differential Analyzer (DDA): Line Drawing Algorithm

Consider slope of line, m :



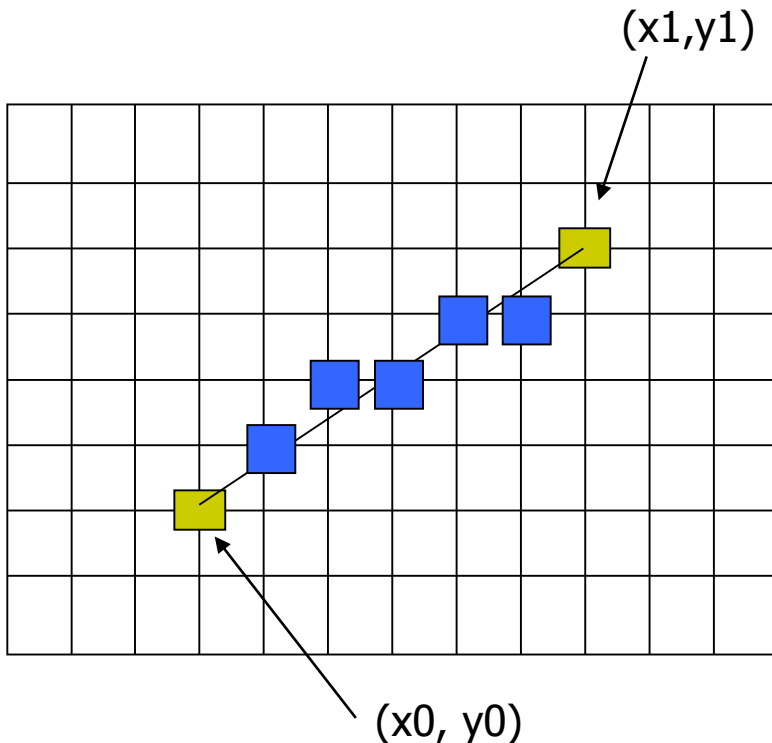
- Step through line, starting at (x_0, y_0)
- **Case a: ($m < 1$)** x incrementing faster
 - Step in $x=1$ increments, compute y (a fraction) and round
- **Case b: ($m > 1$)** y incrementing faster
 - Step in $y=1$ increments, compute x (a fraction) and round

DDA Line Drawing Algorithm (Case a: $m < 1$)



$$m = \frac{\Delta y}{\Delta x} = \frac{y_{k+1} - y_k}{x_{k+1} - x_k} = \frac{y_{k+1} - y_k}{1}$$

$$\Rightarrow y_{k+1} = y_k + m$$



$x = x_0$ $y = y_0$

Illuminate pixel $(x, \text{round}(y))$

$x = x + 1$ $y = y + m$

Illuminate pixel $(x, \text{round}(y))$

$x = x + 1$ $y = y + m$

Illuminate pixel $(x, \text{round}(y))$

...

Until $x == x_1$

Example, if first end point is $(0,0)$

Example, if $m = 0.2$

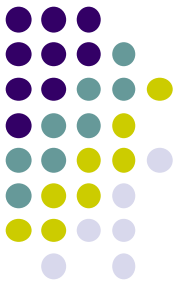
Step 1: $x = 1, y = 0.2 \Rightarrow$ shade $(1,0)$

Step 2: $x = 2, y = 0.4 \Rightarrow$ shade $(2, 0)$

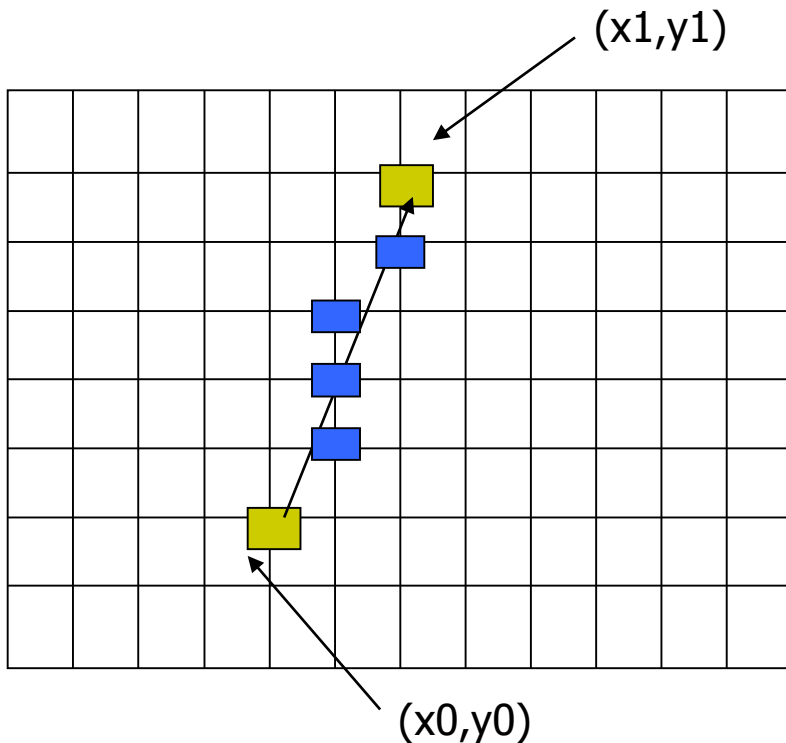
Step 3: $x = 3, y = 0.6 \Rightarrow$ shade $(3, 1)$

... etc

DDA Line Drawing Algorithm (Case b: $m > 1$)



$$m = \frac{\Delta y}{\Delta x} = \frac{y_{k+1} - y_k}{x_{k+1} - x_k} = \frac{1}{x_{k+1} - x_k}$$
$$\Rightarrow x_{k+1} = x_k + \frac{1}{m}$$



$x = x_0$

$y = y_0$

Illuminate pixel (round(x), y)

$y = y + 1$

$x = x + 1/m$

Illuminate pixel (round(x), y)

$y = y + 1$

$x = x + 1/m$

Illuminate pixel (round(x), y)

...

Until $y == y_1$

Example, if first end point is (0,0)

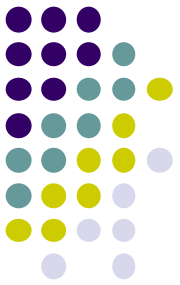
if $1/m = 0.2$

Step 1: $y = 1$, $x = 0.2 \Rightarrow$ shade (0,1)

Step 2: $y = 2$, $x = 0.4 \Rightarrow$ shade (0, 2)

Step 3: $y = 3$, $x = 0.6 \Rightarrow$ shade (1, 3)

... etc

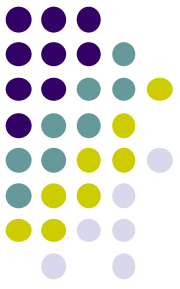


DDA Line Drawing Algorithm Pseudocode

```
compute m;
if m < 1:
{
    float y = y0;          // initial value
    for(int x = x0; x <= x1; x++, y += m)
        setPixel(x, round(y));
}
else // m > 1
{
    float x = x0;          // initial value
    for(int y = y0; y <= y1; y++, x += 1/m)
        setPixel(round(x), y);
}
```

- **Note:** `setPixel(x, y)` writes current color into pixel in column `x` and row `y` in frame buffer

Line Drawing Algorithm Drawbacks



- DDA is the simplest line drawing algorithm
 - Not very efficient
 - Round operation is expensive
- Optimized algorithms typically used.
 - Integer DDA
 - E.g. Bresenham algorithm
- Bresenham algorithm
 - Incremental algorithm: current value uses previous value
 - Integers only: avoid floating point arithmetic
 - Several versions of algorithm: we'll describe midpoint version of algorithm



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