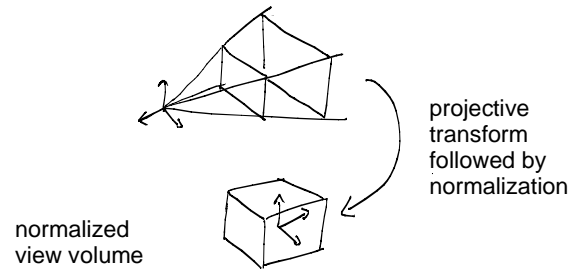


## Lecture 6

- clipping
- windowing and viewport
- scan conversion/ rasterization

## Last class



## Last lecture (clip coordinates):

A vertex  $(w_x, w_y, w_z, w)$

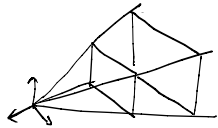
is in the

normalized view volume if:

$$w > 0$$

- $w_x \leq w$
- $w_y \leq w$
- $w_z \leq w$

## Terminology: clipping vs. culling

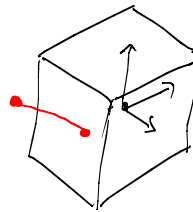


Any object that lies entirely outside the view volume doesn't need to be drawn. Such objects can "culled".

Any object that lies *partly* outside the view volume needs to be "clipped".

Today, "clipping" refers to both of these.

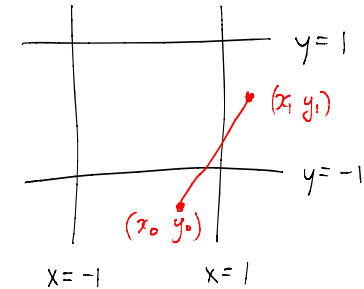
## 3D Line Clipping



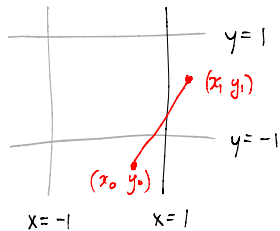
Q: Given endpoints  $(x_0, y_0, z_0)$ ,  $(x_1, y_1, z_0)$ , how to check if the **line segment** needs to be clipped ?

i.e. either discarded, or modified to lie in volume

## 2D Line Clipping (simpler to discuss)



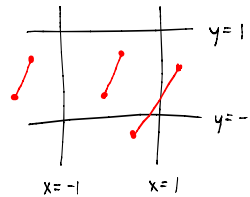
Q: Given endpoints  $(x_0, y_0)$ ,  $(x_1, y_1)$ , how to check if the **line segment** needs to be clipped ?



To check if a line segment intersects a boundary e.g.  $x=1$ , solve for  $t$ :

$$t(x_0, y_0) + (1-t)(x_1, y_1) = 1$$

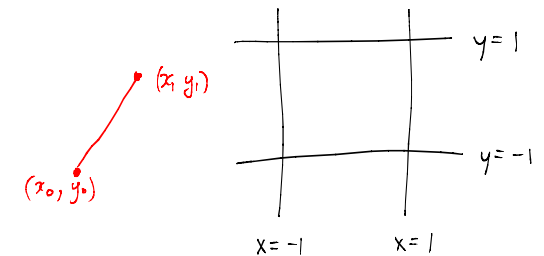
and check if  $0 \leq t \leq 1$ .



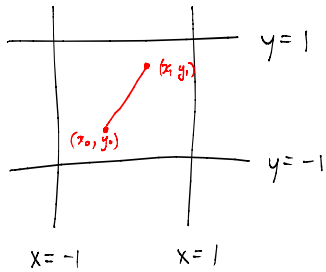
3 cases of interest: the line may be....

- entirely outside of view volume
- entirely in view volume
- partly in view volume

Q: Given endpoints  $(x_0, y_0)$ ,  $(x_1, y_1)$ , how to check if the **line segment** needs to be clipped ?



This line can be "**trivially rejected**" since the endpoint  $x$  values are both less than  $-1$ .

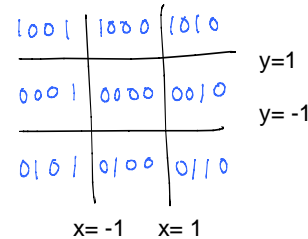


This line can be "trivially accepted" since the endpoint x and y values are all between -1 and 1.

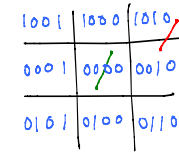
Cohen-Sutherland (1965) encoded the above rules :

$$\begin{aligned} b_3 &= y > 1 \\ b_2 &= y < -1 \\ b_1 &= x > 1 \\ b_0 &= x < -1 \end{aligned}$$

"outcode"  
 $b_3 b_2 b_1 b_0$



For each vertex, compute the outcode.



Trivially reject a line segment if

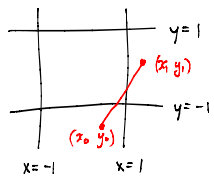
bitwiseAND ( \_\_\_\_\_ , \_\_\_\_\_ ) contains a 1.

Trivially accept a line segment if

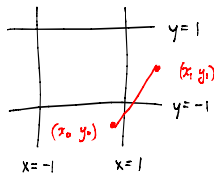
bitwiseOR ( \_\_\_\_\_ , \_\_\_\_\_ ) == 0000.

In both cases below, we can *neither* trivially accept nor reject.

Outcodes are the same in the two cases.

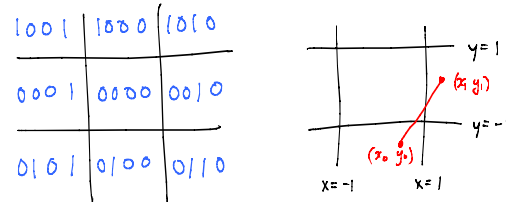


clipping required  
(line modification)



reject  
(non-trivial)

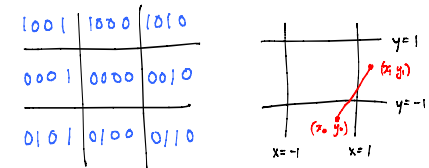
What if we cannot trivially accept or reject ?



Q: what is the logic condition for this general case ?

A: bitwiseXOR( \_\_\_\_\_ , \_\_\_\_\_ ) is

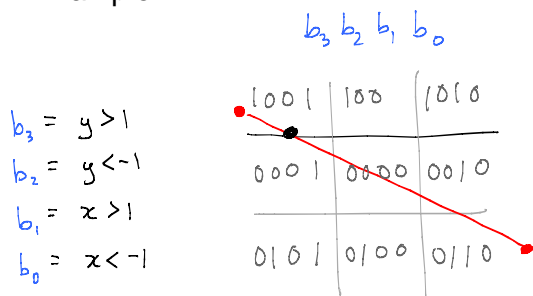
If we cannot trivially accept or reject, then the line must cross one of  $x=1$ ,  $x=-1$ ,  $y=1$ , or  $y=-1$ .



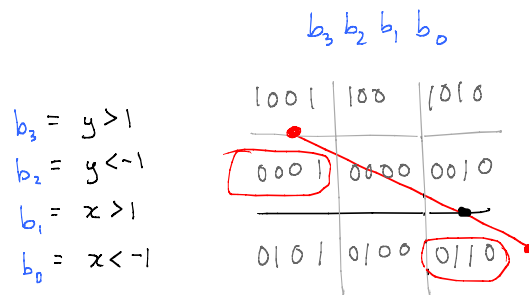
Cohen-Sutherland: consider the bits  $b_3$ ,  $b_2$ ,  $b_1$ ,  $b_0$  such that  $XOR(b, b') = 1$ .

Modify/clip the line segment to remove the offending part.

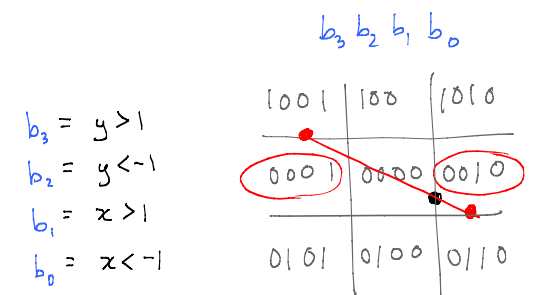
Example:



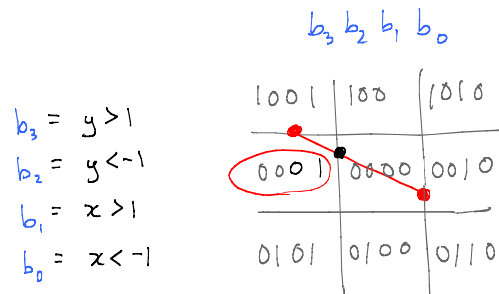
First clip line segment so that  $b_3 = 0$  for both outcodes.



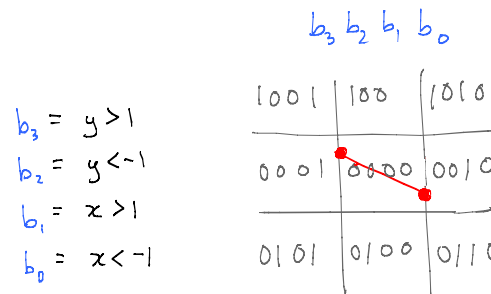
Then, clip line segment so that  $b_2 = 0$  for both outcodes.



Then, clip line segment so that  $b_1 = 0$  for both outcodes.

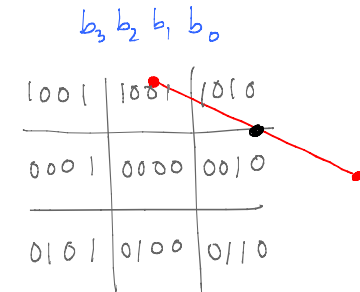


Then, clip line segment so that  $b_0 = 0$  for both outcodes.



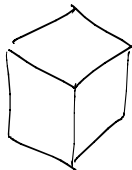
And we're done.... trivial accept !

Typically we don't need to do all four clips before trivially rejecting.



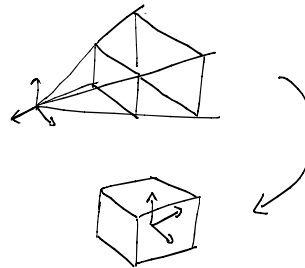
Cohen-Sutherland line clipping in 3D:  
(exactly the same idea but the outcodes have 6 bits)

$b_5 = z > 1$   
 $b_4 = z < -1$   
 $b_3 = y > 1$   
 $b_2 = y < -1$   
 $b_1 = x > 1$   
 $b_0 = x < -1$

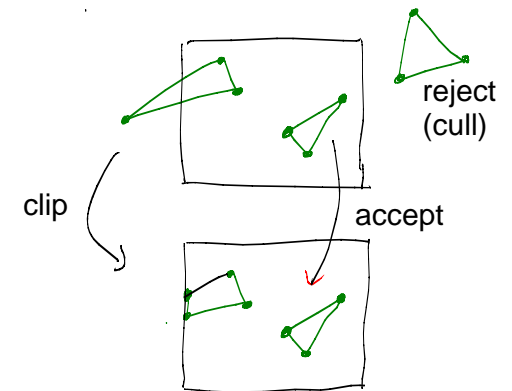


By the way.....

If we didn't do a projective transformation and map to normalized view volume, we could still compute outcodes and do line clipping, but it wouldn't be as easy.



Algorithms for clipping polygons (SKIP !)



Recall:

OpenGL clips in (4D) 'clip coordinates'

(w x, w y, w z, w)

not in (3D) 'normalized device coordinates'

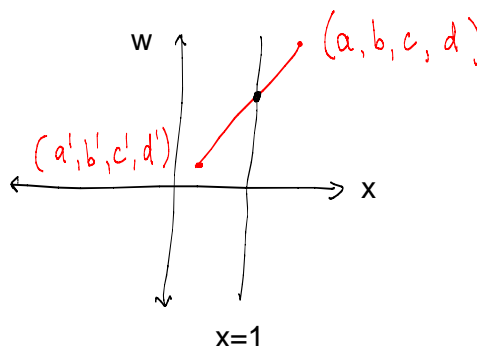
(x, y, z).

We can compute outcodes in clip coordinates easily.

But the line clipping is *tricky* in clip coordinates.  
Why?

Exercise (surprising):

Clipping based on 4D interpolation works !



Recall from lecture 2:

$$\begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \\ d \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} a' \\ b' \\ c' \\ d' \end{bmatrix} \neq \begin{bmatrix} a + a' \\ b + b' \\ c + c' \\ d + d' \end{bmatrix}$$

The above was an abuse of notation.  
It was meant to express that:

$$\begin{bmatrix} a/d \\ b/d \\ c/d \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} a'/d' \\ b'/d' \\ c'/d' \end{bmatrix} \neq \begin{bmatrix} (a+a')/(d+d') \\ (b+b')/(d+d') \\ (c+c')/(d+d') \end{bmatrix}$$

The issue for clipping is whether the following interpolation scheme can be used.

$$t \begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \\ d \end{bmatrix} + (1-t) \begin{bmatrix} a' \\ b' \\ c' \\ d' \end{bmatrix}$$

The answer is yes, but it requires some thought to see why.

## Lecture 6

clipping

windowing and viewport

scan conversion / rasterization

## What is a "window" ?

Two meanings:

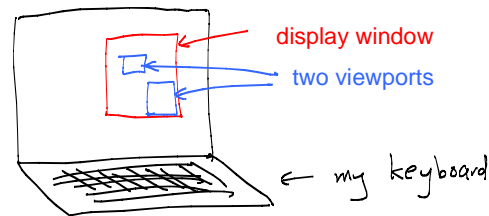
- region of display screen (pixels) that you can drag and resize.  
Also known as "display window".
- region of the near plane in camera coordinates.  
Also known as "viewing window".

```
glutCreateWindow("COMP557 A1")
glutInitWindowSize(int width, int height)
glutInitWindowPosition(int x, int y)
glutReshapeWindow(int width, int height)
glutPositionWindow(int x, int y)
```

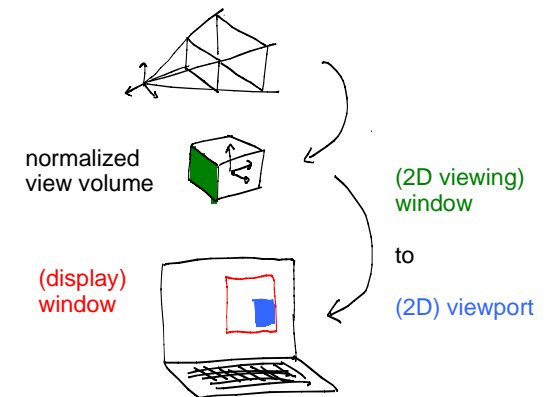
## What is a "viewport" ?

`glViewport(int x, int y, int width, int height)`

A viewport is a region within a display window.  
(The default viewport is the whole window.)



## "window to viewport" transformation



We've finally arrived at pixels!

How do we convert our floating point (continuous) primitives into integer locations (pixels) ?

## Lecture 6

clipping

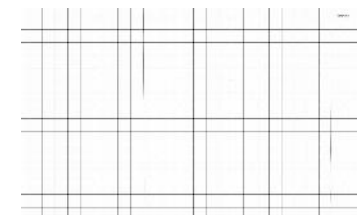
windowing and viewport

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## What is a pixel ?

Sometimes it is a point (intersection of grid lines).

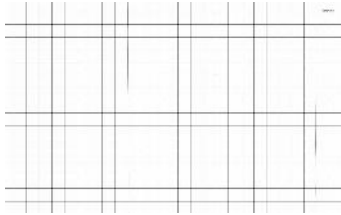
Sometimes it is a little square.



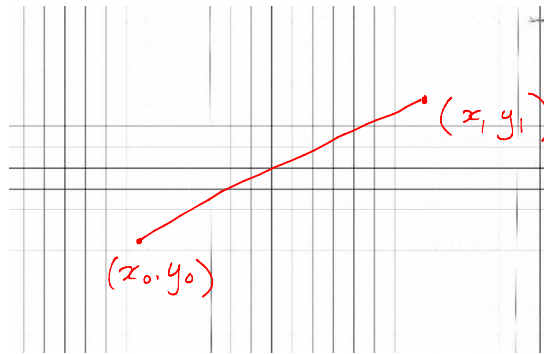
## "Scan Conversion" ("Rasterization")

- convert a continuous representation of an object such as a point, line segment, curve, triangle, etc into a discrete (pixel) representation on a pixel grid

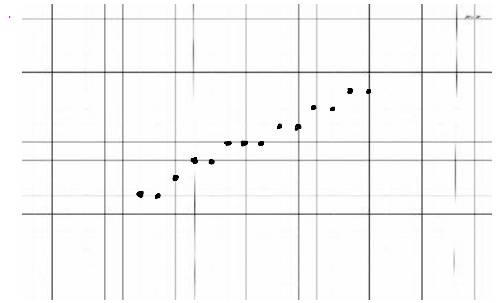
- why "scan" ?



## e.g. Scan Converting a Line Segment ?



The endpoints of the line segment may be floats.



In this illustration, pixels are intersections of grid lines (not little squares).

## Algorithm:

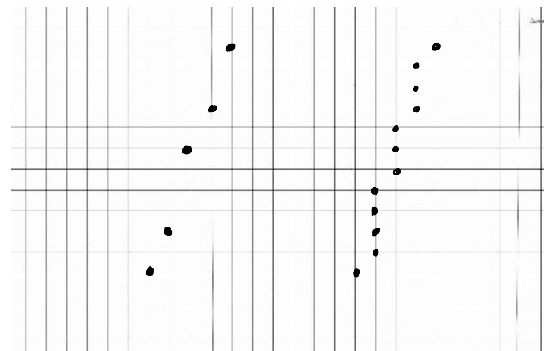
scan convert a line segment  
from  $(x_0, y_0)$  to  $(x_1, y_1)$

$m = (y_1 - y_0) / (x_1 - x_0)$  // slope of line  
 $y = y_0$

for  $x = \text{round}(x_0)$  to  $\text{round}(x_1)$

writepixel( $x, \text{Round}(y), \text{rgbValue}$ )  
 $y = y + m$

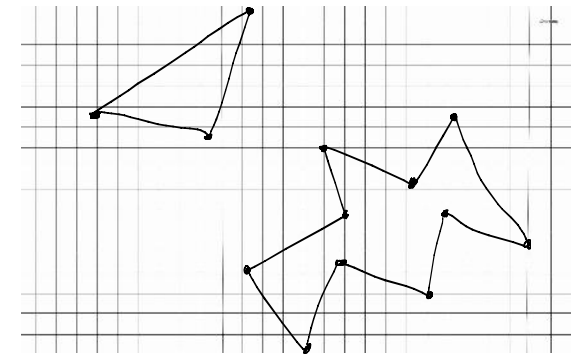
What if slope  $|m|$  is greater than 1 ?



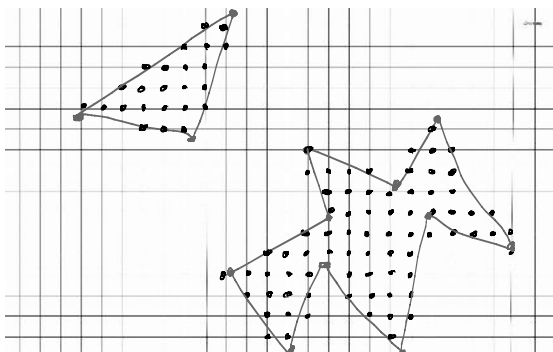
Iterating over  $x$   
leaves gaps (bad)

Iterating over  $y$   
fills gaps (good)

## Scan converting (filling) a Polygon



## Scan converting (filling) a Polygon



## Scan converting a polygon (Sketch only)

$y_{\min} = \text{round}(\text{min of } y \text{ values of vertices})$   
 $y_{\max} = \text{round}(\text{max of } y \text{ values of vertices})$

for  $y = y_{\min}$  to  $y_{\max}$

compute intersection of polygon edges with row  $y$

fill in pixels between adjacent pairs of edges

i.e.  $(x, y)$  to  $(x', y)$ ,  $(x'', y)$  to  $(x''', y)$ , ...  
where  $x < x' < x'' < x''' < \dots$