

PERSPECTIVE PROJECTIONS + RASTERIZER PIPELINE

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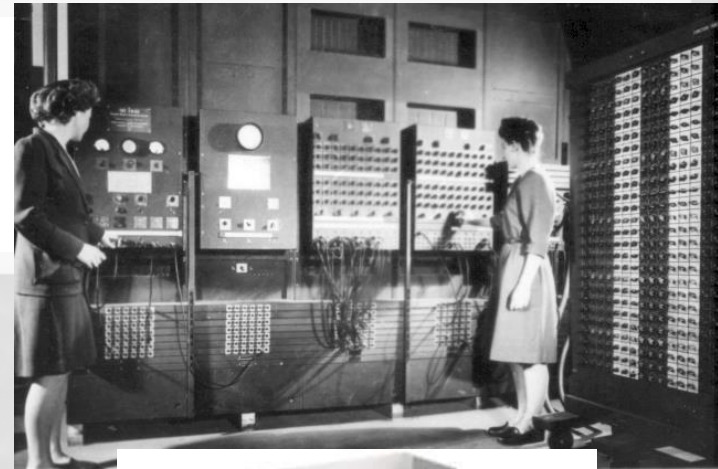
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OVERVIEW

- Lab8: Wireframe Rasterizer
 - No notion of camera
 - Orthogonal Projection
 - No filled polygons
 - No lighting
 - Just the first phase in the rasterizer **pipeline**.
- Lab9 attempts to add some / all these.
- Slides marked with a * are more likely to be on the final...

GPU HISTORY

- From ca. 1960 – 1980:
 - Workstation software-only rendering
- Ca. 1980 - 2000
 - PC's + [later] Accelerated Graphics cards
 - Fixed-function pipeline
 - Ca. 1990 = OpenGL
 - Single-core GPU's??? [check this]
- Ca. 2000 – 2006
 - Programmable shader GPU's
 - GeForce 3 (PC, Xbox [original])
 - Still Single core??? [check this too]
- Ca. 2006 – present
 - General purpose GPU's
 - GeForce 8
 - Many, many cores.
- All 4 generations use the same math
 - Just expose it differently.
 - Later generations aren't better – just faster.



* RASTERIZATION PIPELINE

- Meshes => Pixels
 - A mesh is a collection of vertices.
 - $\text{Vertex} * \text{transformMatrix} = \text{Vertex}'$
 - Vertex' is in a new **space**.
 - So far we've explored:
 - Model Space
 - World Space
 - The transform matrix essentially converts from one space to another.
 - The rasterizer is a long sequence of matrix transforms.

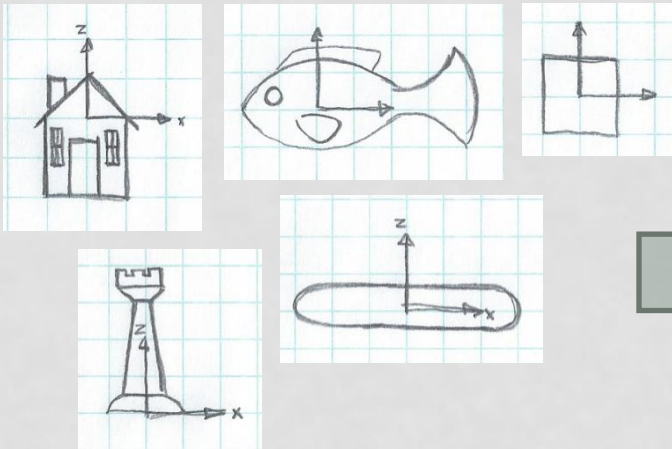
*VRASTERIZATION PIPELINE, CONT.

- Major Spaces
 - **Model Space**: as the model appears relative to blender / maya axes.
 - **Camera Space**: objects are all relative to the rendering camera.
 - **Projection / Clip Space**:
 - Perspective Projection + **Homogeneous Divide**
 - Orthogonal Projection
 - Isometric Projection
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 - **Screen Space**: pixels (with depth)
- ***We go from one space to the next with a matrix.***
 - Note: The matrices I'm giving you are for a left-handed system.

* MODEL \Rightarrow WORLD

- This is what we were doing in Lab8
- This could be accomplished with a scene graph or a single (possibly concatenated) matrix.

Model Spaces



$$M \Rightarrow W_{\text{cube1}}$$

$$M \Rightarrow W_{\text{cube2}}$$

$$M \Rightarrow W_{\text{house}}$$

$$M \Rightarrow W_{\text{fish}}$$

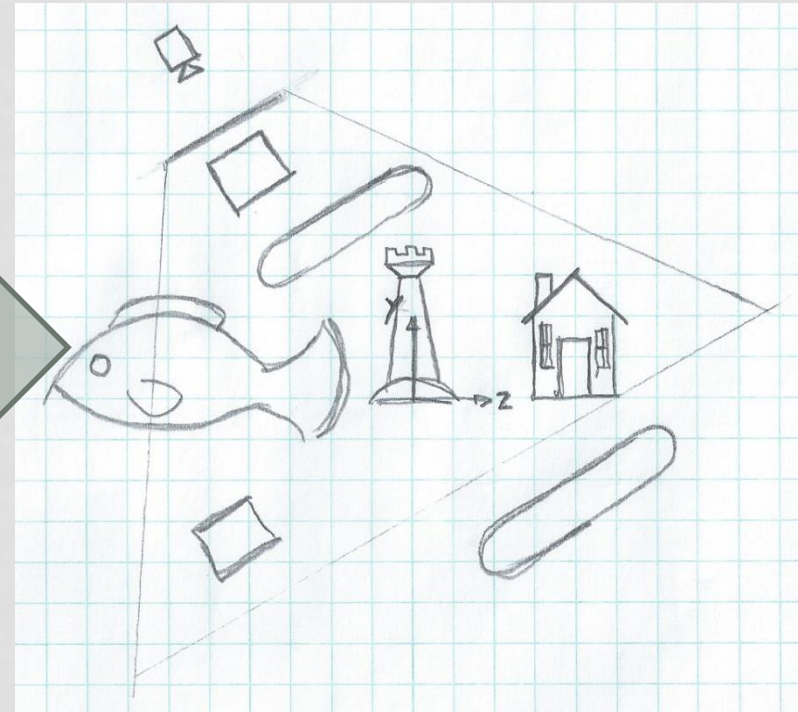
$$M \Rightarrow W_{\text{rook}}$$

$$M \Rightarrow W_{\text{disc1}}$$

$$M \Rightarrow W_{\text{disc2}}$$

Matrices

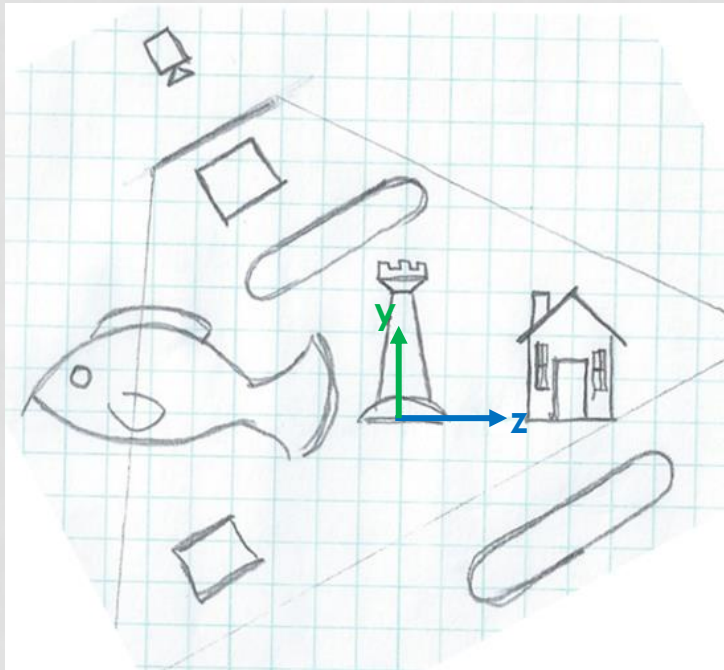
World Space



* WORLD => VIEW

- Move everything so camera is at the origin and aligned with world axes.
- View / Camera space are the same thing.

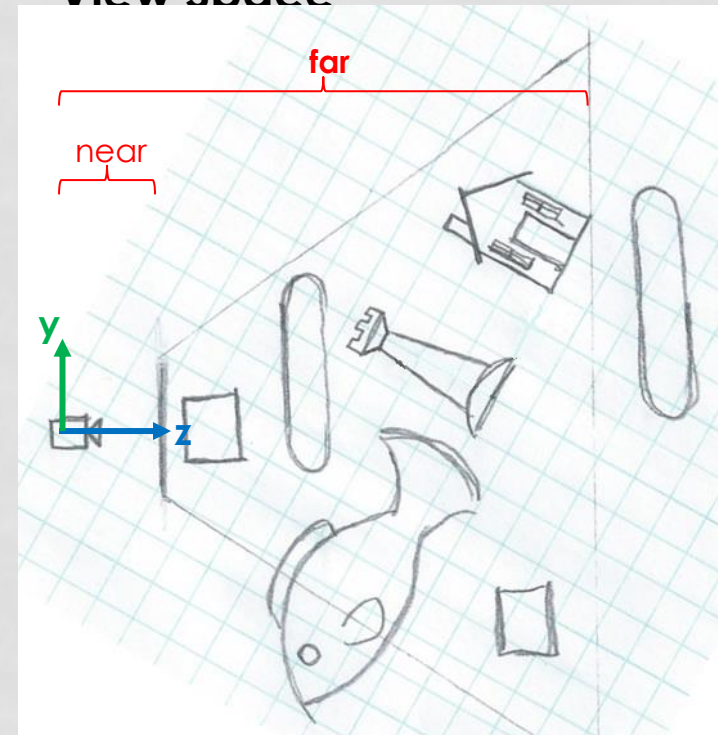
World Space



W=>V

viewplane_height {

View Space



WORLD => VIEW, CONT.

- Now, to construct the W=>V matrix...
 - T = Translate (enough to make camera at origin)
 - R = Rotate (to align the camera axes with world axes)
 - Q = Rotate world axes to camera axes

$$Q = \begin{bmatrix} \widehat{camX}_x & \widehat{camX}_y & \widehat{camX}_z & 0 \\ \widehat{camY}_x & \widehat{camY}_y & \widehat{camY}_z & 0 \\ \widehat{camZ}_x & \widehat{camZ}_y & \widehat{camZ}_z & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

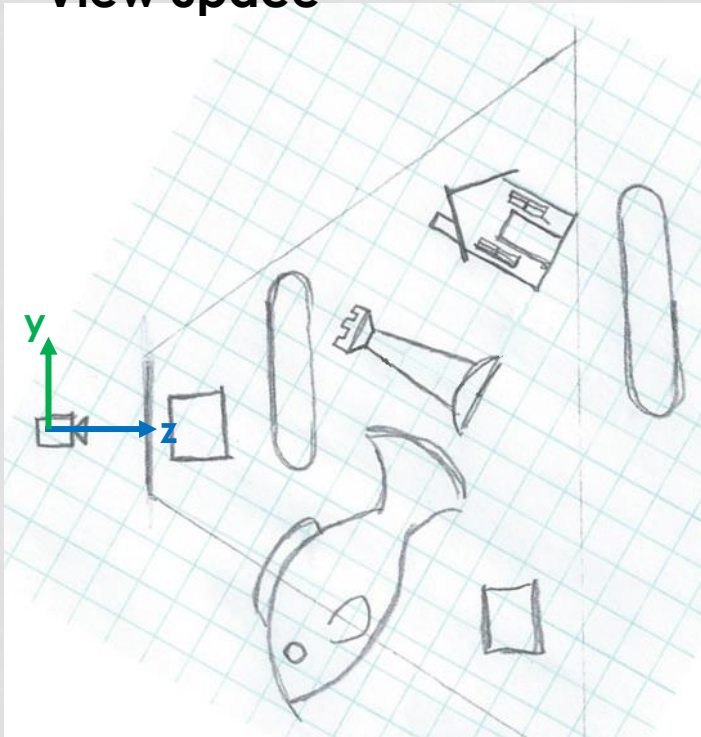
- R is just Q^T
- Side-note: R is the inverse of Q. Since Q is an orthonormal matrix, the transpose is a matrix
 - Ortho = all columns (or rows) are unit-length vectors
 - Normal = all columns (or rows) are perpendicular.

VIEW => PROJECTION

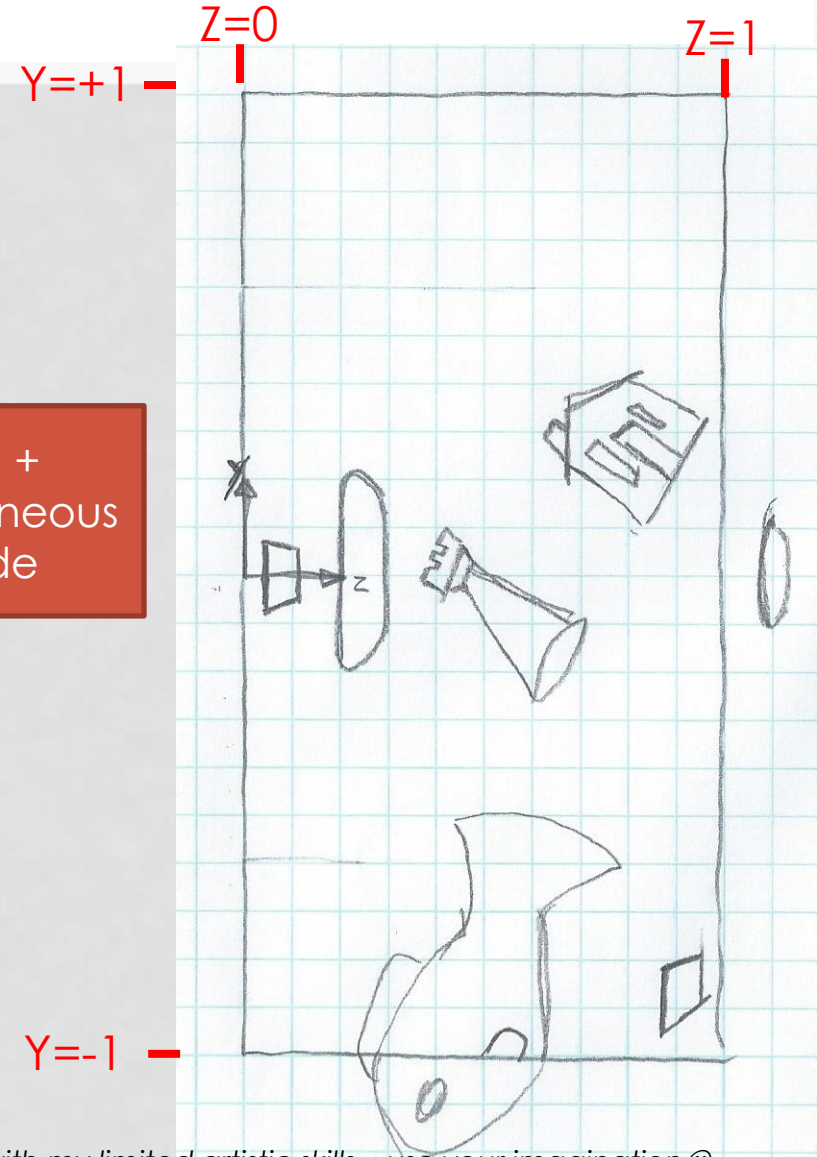
- I'm going to focus on Perspective Projection
- Goal: Introduce the perspective effect
 - Farther away objects look smaller
- We do this by compressing the **view frustum** into a cube, along with all objects in the world.
- This is the one (and only) thing we can't do with a matrix alone.
- Normally we'd clip out invisible geometry
 - That's why this space is sometimes called **clip space**.

* VIEW => PROJECTION, CONT.

View Space



$V \Rightarrow P$ +
homogeneous
-divide



VIEW => PROJECTION, CONT.

- Here is the V => P matrix:
 - I'd like to show you the derivation, but no time...

$$V2P = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{2 * near}{vpw} & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{2 * near}{vph} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \frac{far}{far - near} & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & -\frac{far * near}{far - near} & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

- After the transformation, the w component of points will be equal to the z component in view space.
- We need to divide all elements by w
 - This finishes the perspective transformation
 - And re-sets the w component to 1.

CLIPPING

- In a real rasterizer, we could clip polygons outside the clip space.
 - That's why what I call Perspective Space is sometimes called Clip Space.
- We'll take a simpler (slower) approach...

* CLIP => SCREEN

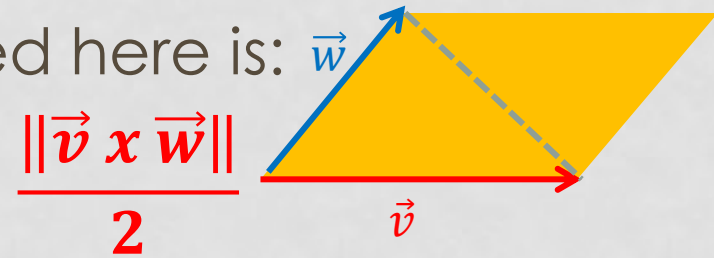
- Converts clip-space coordinates into screen-space.
- The x/y values are most important...
- ...but the z-value is still important
 - For knowing what's in front of what
 - Useful in the rasterization stage (next)
- Main idea:
 - S = Scale in x / y direction to match screen dim.
 - T = Translate such that origin is at window origin
 - $\text{Clip2Screen} = S * T$

POLYGON RASTERIZATION

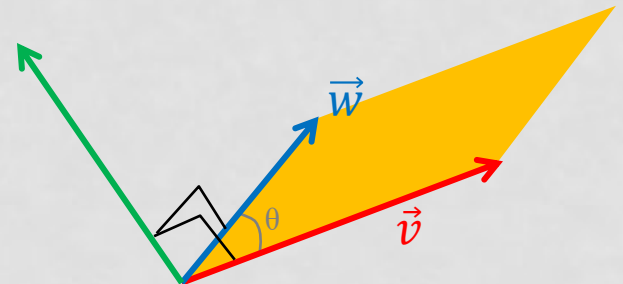
- The pipeline is finished
 - We have a set of polygons in screen space.
 - We now need to fill in pixel colors.
- I'm going to show you the simplest (imo) rasterization technique.
- It's based on areas of triangles...

*AREA OF TRIANGLE (IN 3D)

- A cross product property: $\|\vec{v} \times \vec{w}\| = \|\vec{v}\| \|\vec{w}\| \sin(\theta)$
- Imagine a parallelogram with sides \vec{v} and \vec{w}
- Recall: area of a parallelogram is base * height
- So...the area is $\|\vec{v}\| * (\|\vec{w}\| \sin(\theta))$
- Which is just $\|\vec{v} \times \vec{w}\|$
- The area of the triangle indicated here is:



the parallelogram viewed along the green arrow



* BARYCENTRIC COORDINATES

- If you did the bonus on Lab5, this may look familiar.
- Suppose you are given:
 - 3 points (\vec{A} , \vec{B} , and \vec{C}) that make a triangle (none are equal)
 - A single point \vec{P}
 - For this problem, assume \vec{P} lies upon the plane defined by the 3 points.
 - Determining this would make a good final exam problem...
- We want to determine if \vec{P} is within the triangle or not.

* BARYCENTRIC COORDINATES, CONT.

1. Compute the area of the triangle

$$\text{area}(ABC) = \frac{\|(\vec{C} - \vec{A}) \times (\vec{B} - \vec{A})\|}{2}$$

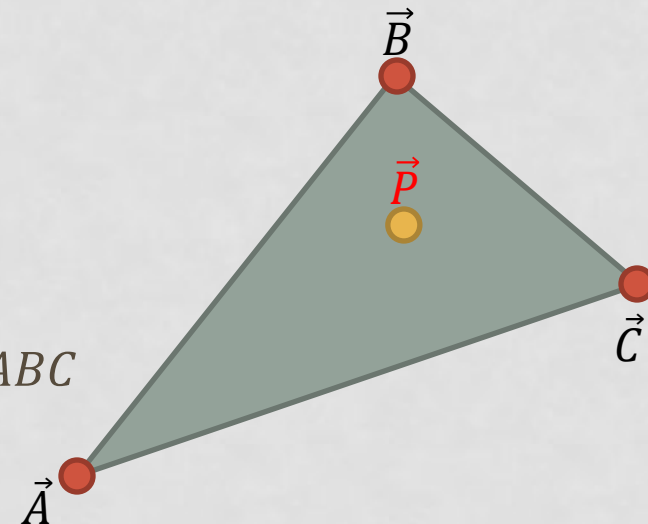
2. \vec{P} is within the triangle iff:

$$\text{area}(ABC) - \varepsilon \leq \text{area}(PBC) + \text{area}(PAC) + \text{area}(PAB) \leq \text{area}(ABC) + \varepsilon$$

$\varepsilon \approx 0.00001$

3. The barycentric coordinates are:

- $\text{bary}_A = \frac{\text{area}(PBC)}{\text{area}(ABC)}$
- $\text{bary}_B = \frac{\text{area}(PAC)}{\text{area}(ABC)}$
- $\text{bary}_C = \frac{\text{area}(PAB)}{\text{area}(ABC)}$
- Note: $\text{bary}_A + \text{bary}_B + \text{bary}_C \approx 1.0$ if P within ABC

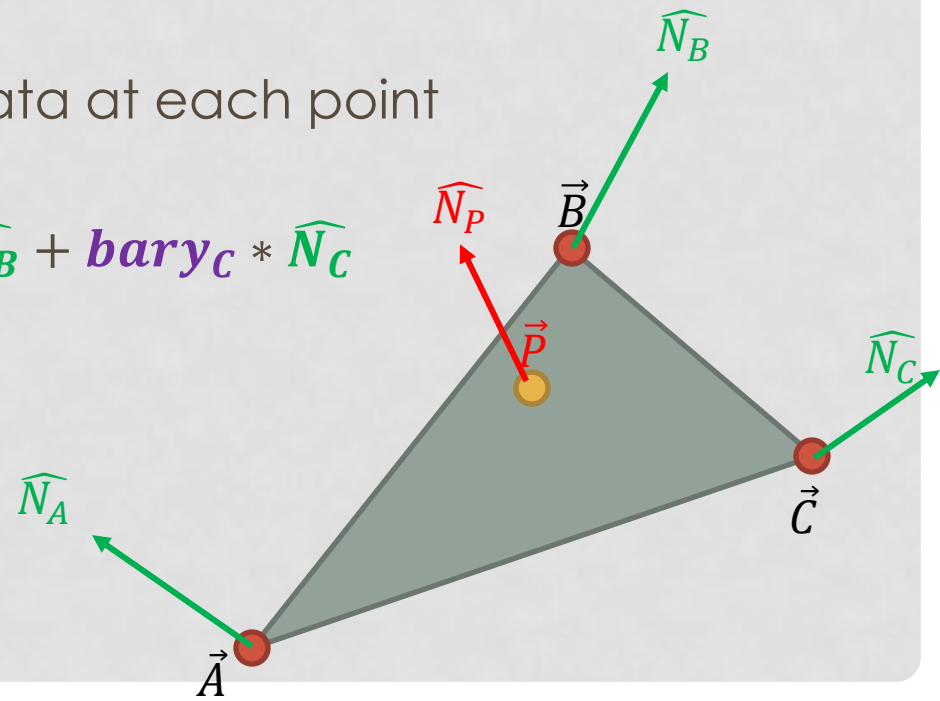


* BARYCENTRIC COORDINATES, CONT.

- Barycentric coordinates aren't just useful for hit-detection (as they were within the raytracer)
- They can be used as **weight values** for interpolating data.
- Example: normals

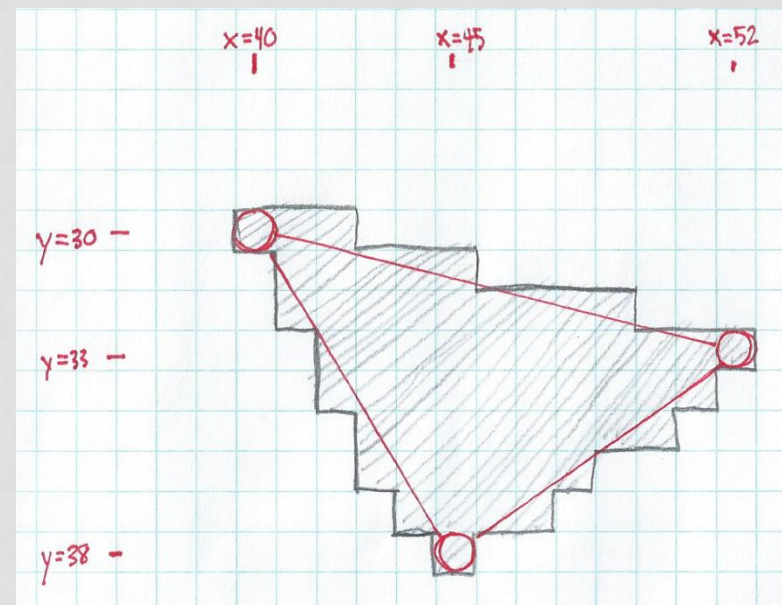
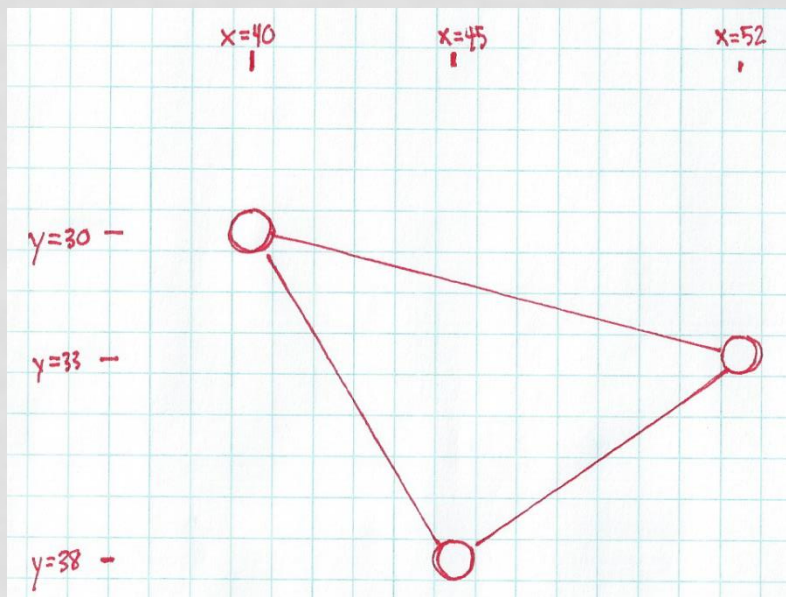
- Suppose we have normal data at each point
 - Hint: vn lines in the obj file.

- $\widehat{N}_P = \text{bary}_A * \widehat{N}_A + \text{bary}_B * \widehat{N}_B + \text{bary}_C * \widehat{N}_C$



TRIANGLE RASTERIZATION

- We can also use barycentric coordinates for triangle rasterization.
 - Bounding box to limit candidate pixels
 - Test each internal pixel (as P) against the barycentric test.



A LOOK FORWARD TO ETGG2801

- You *might* touch on these detail again
 - More thoroughly☺
- You definitely will be exposed to:
 - OpenGL
 - Matrix-based (but sort of hidden)
 - Shader-based
 - We don't use the "old-school" pipeline here
 - It's still very much alive in the guts of OpenGL, though.
 - Shaders = mini-programs to control:
 - Lighting
 - Geometry distortions
 - Skeletal animation
 - FSAA
 - ...
 - Bindings in Python / C / Java / etc.
- The class is fast-paced
- Summer project?
 - <http://www.opengl-tutorial.org/> [C-based]
 - <http://pyopengl.sourceforge.net/context/tutorials/index.html> [Python-based]
 - Something else – use your google-fu!

THE END OF ETGG1803!!!

- (Almost😊) Just get through finals week.
- It's been a pleasure – I appreciate all your hard work this semester!!