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# Clipping

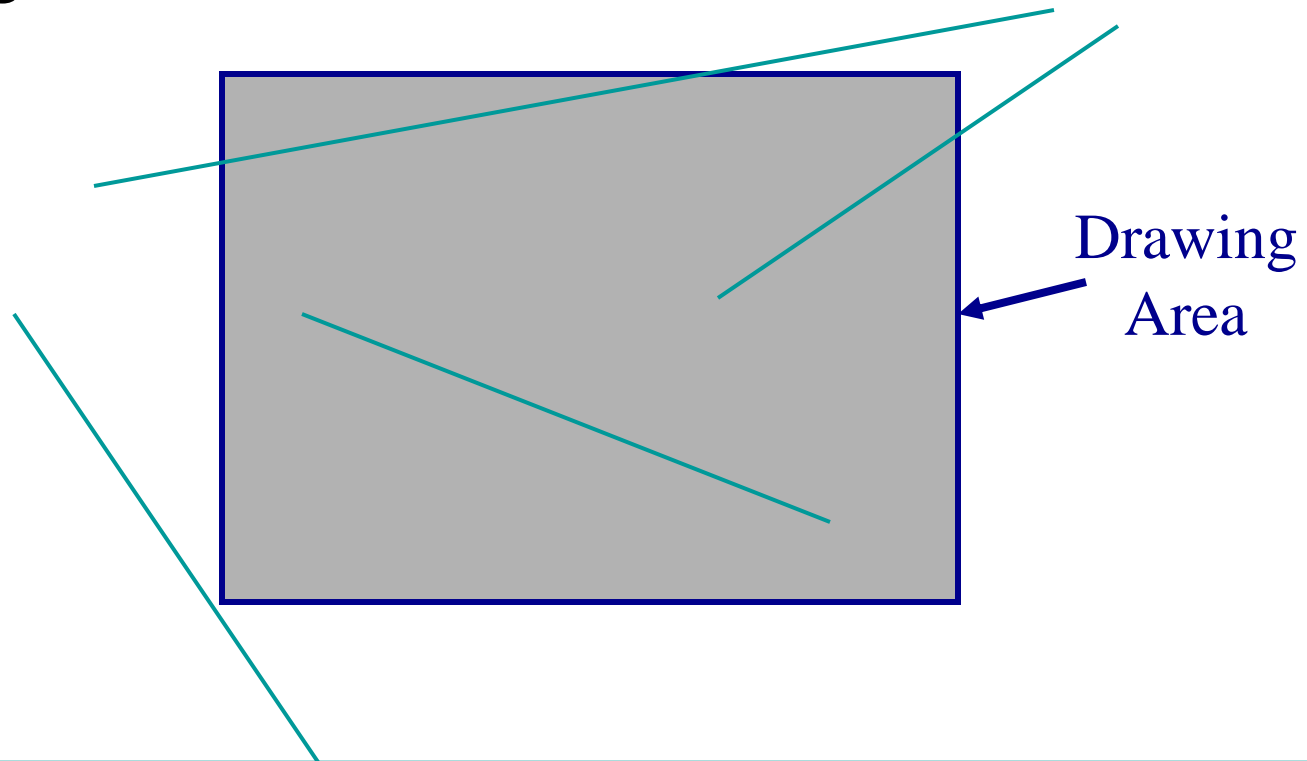
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# Line Clipping

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What happens when one or both endpoints of a line segment are not inside the specified drawing area?



# Line Clipping

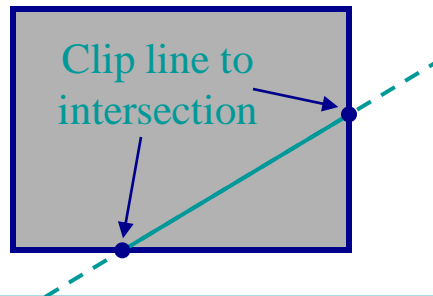
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- Strategies for clipping:

a) Check (in inner loop) if each point is inside → Works, but **slow**

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if (x ≥ xmin and x ≤ xmax and y ≥ ymin and y ≤ ymax)  
    drawPoint(x, y, c);
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b) Find intersection of line with boundary → Correct



# Line Clipping: Possible Configurations

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1. Both endpoints are inside the region (line **AB**)

- No clipping necessary

2. One endpoint in, one out (line **CD**)

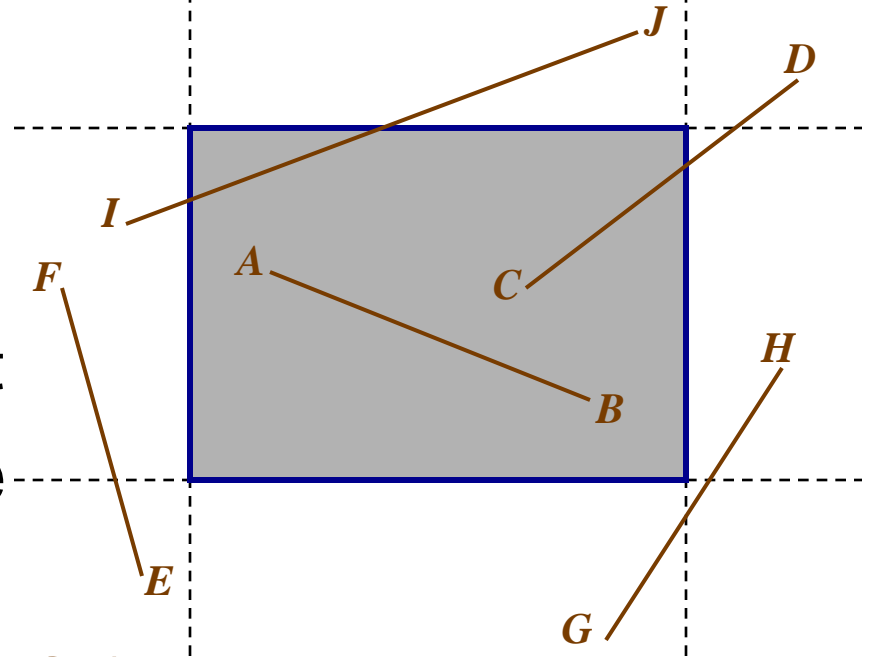
- Clip at intersection point

3. Both endpoints outside the region:

a. No intersection (lines **EF**, **GH**)

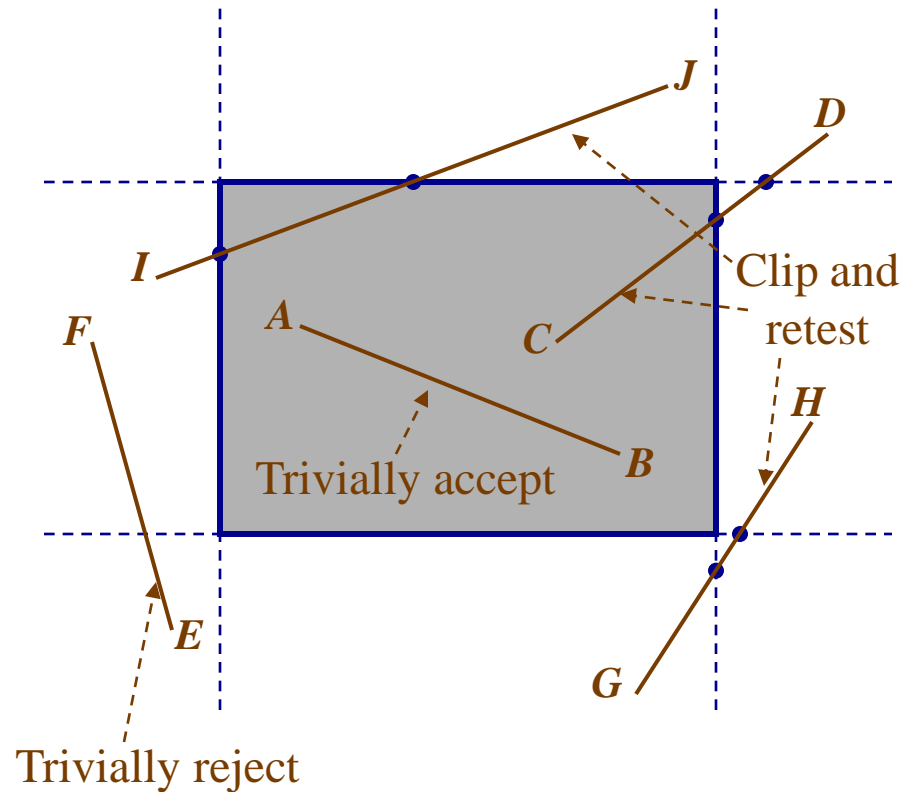
b. Line intersects the region (line **IJ**)

- Clip line at both intersection points



# Line Clipping: Cohen-Sutherland

- Basic algorithm:
  - Accept lines that have both endpoints inside the region.
  - Reject lines that have both endpoints less than  $x_{min}$  or  $y_{min}$  or greater than  $x_{max}$  or  $y_{max}$ .
  - Clip the remaining lines at a region boundary and repeat the previous steps on the clipped line segments.



# Cohen-Sutherland: Accept/Reject Tests

- Assign a 4-bit code to each endpoint  $c_0$ ,  $c_1$  based on its position:

- 1<sup>st</sup> bit (1000): if  $y > y_{max}$
- 2<sup>nd</sup> bit (0100): if  $y < y_{min}$
- 3<sup>rd</sup> bit (0010): if  $x > x_{max}$
- 4<sup>th</sup> bit (0001): if  $x < x_{min}$

- Test using bitwise functions

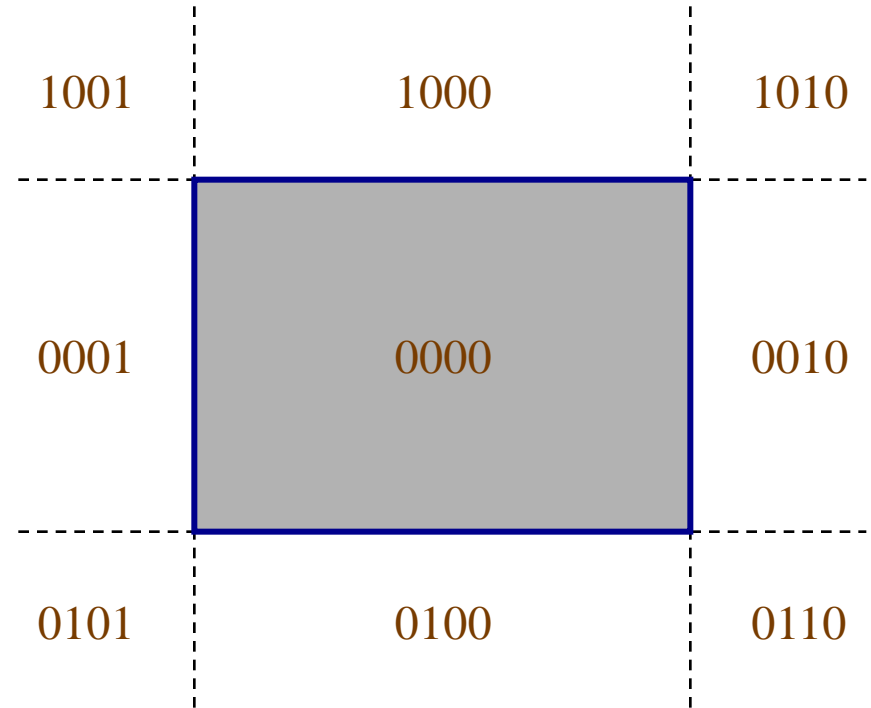
if  $c_0 \mid c_1 = 0000$

accept (draw)

else if  $c_0 \& c_1 \neq 0000$

reject (don't draw)

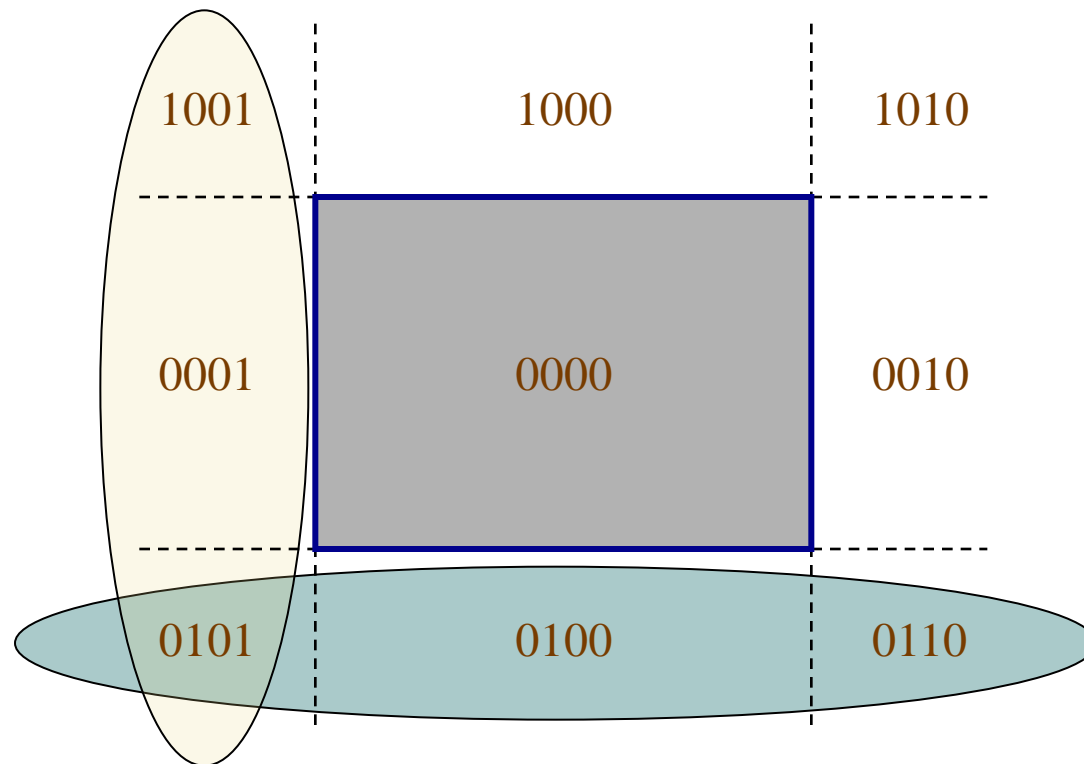
else clip and retest



# Cohen-Sutherland Accept/Reject

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- Accept/reject/redo all based on bit-wise Boolean ops.



# Cohen-Sutherland: Overview

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# Cohen-Sutherland: Line Clipping

Intersection algorithm:

if  $c_0 \neq 0000$  then  $c = c_0$ ;  
else  $c = c_1$ ;

$dx = x_1 - x_0$ ;  $dy = y_1 - y_0$

if  $c \& 1000$  //  $y_{max}$   
 $x = x_0 + dx * (y_{max} - y_0) / dy$ ;  $y = y_{max}$ ;

else if  $c \& 0100$  //  $y_{min}$   
 $x = x_0 + dx * (y_{min} - y_0) / dy$ ;  $y = y_{min}$ ;

else if  $c \& 0010$  //  $x_{max}$   
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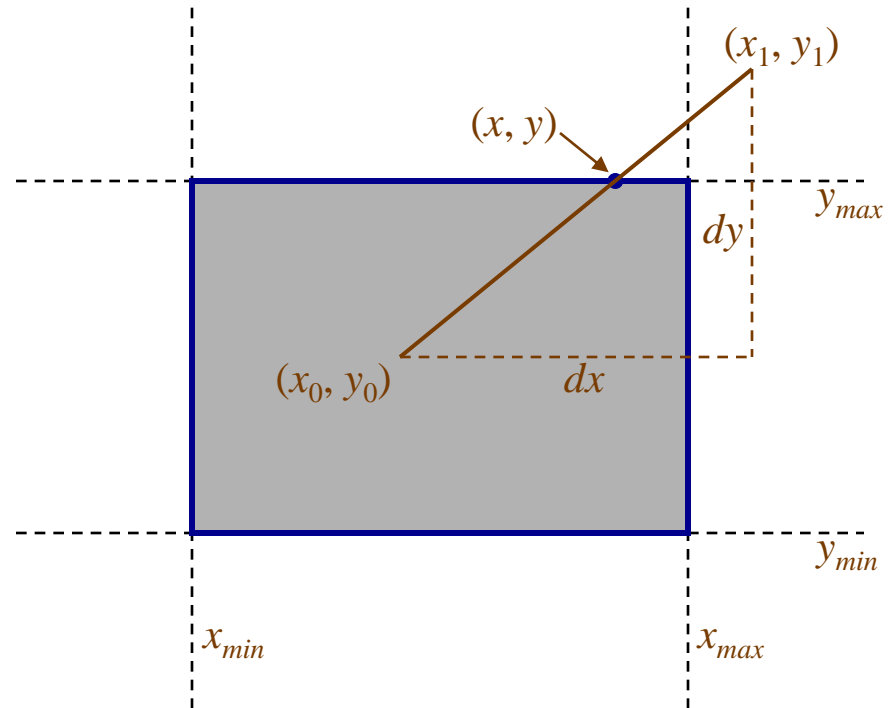
else //  $x_{min}$   
 $y = y_0 + dy * (x_{min} - x_0) / dx$ ;  $x = x_{min}$ ;

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$x_0 = x$ ;  $y_0 = y$ ;

else

$x_1 = x$ ;  $y_1 = y$ ;



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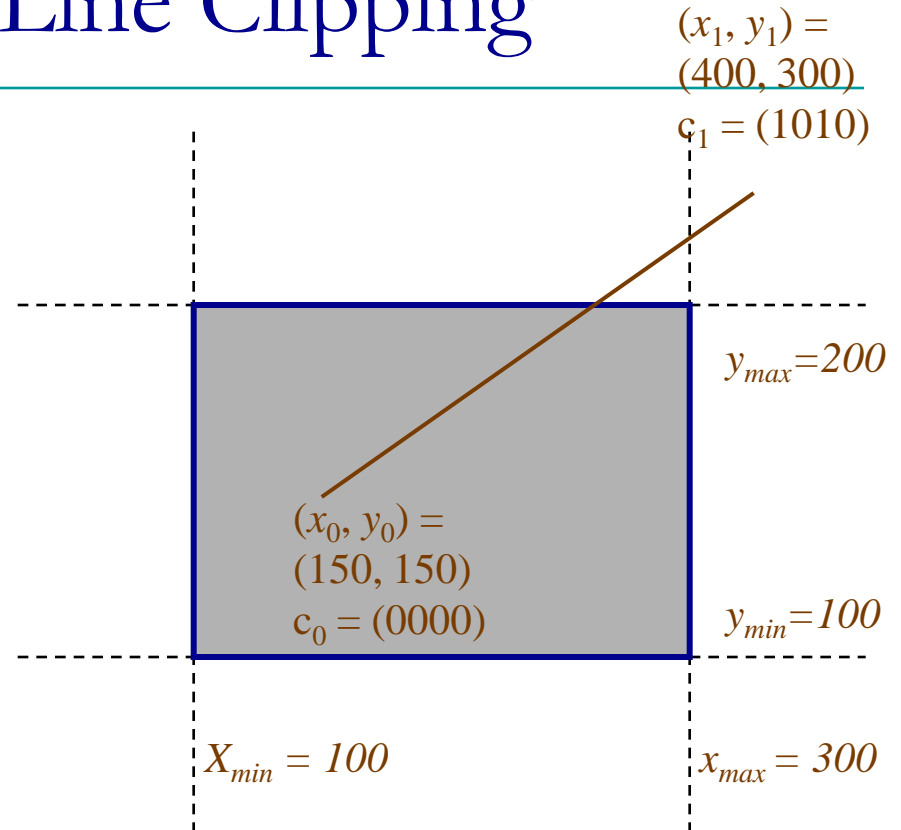
else //  $x_{min}$   
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c   dx   dy   x   y

# Cohen-Sutherland: Line Clipping

Intersection algorithm:

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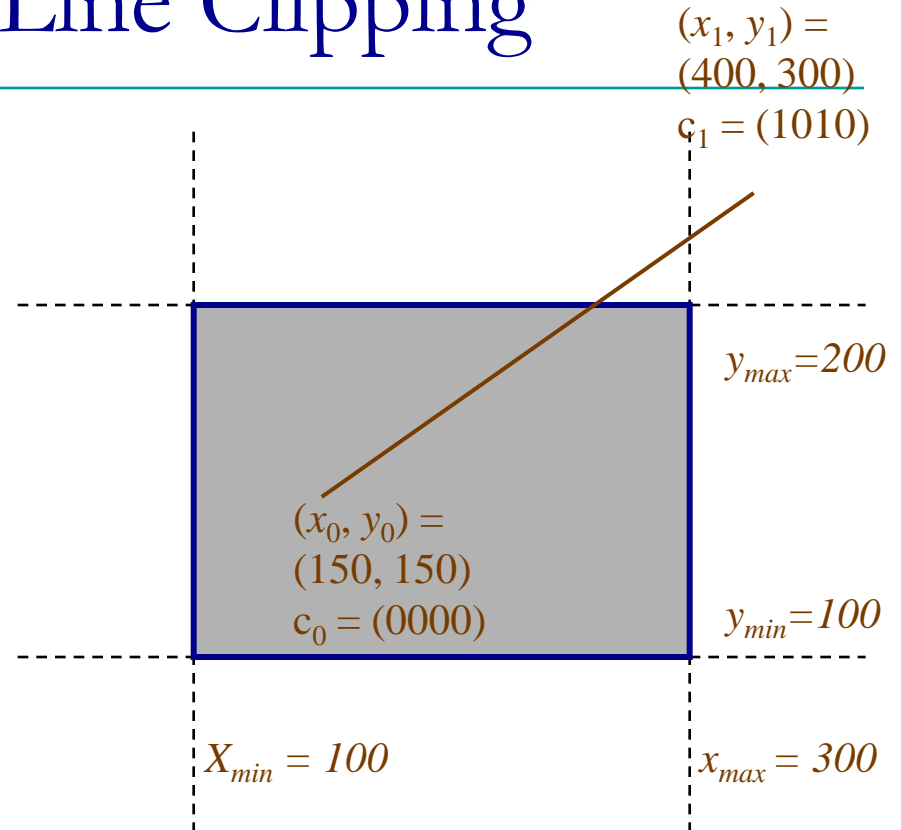
if  $c_0 \neq 0000$  then  $c = c_0$ ;
else
     $c = c_1$ ;
 $dx = x_1 - x_0$ ;  $dy = y_1 - y_0$ 
if  $c \& 1000$  //  $y_{max}$ 
     $x = x_0 + dx * (y_{max} - y_0) / dy$ ;  $y = y_{max}$ ;
else if  $c \& 0100$  //  $y_{min}$ 
     $x = x_0 + dx * (y_{min} - y_0) / dy$ ;  $y = y_{min}$ ;
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if  $c = c_0$ 
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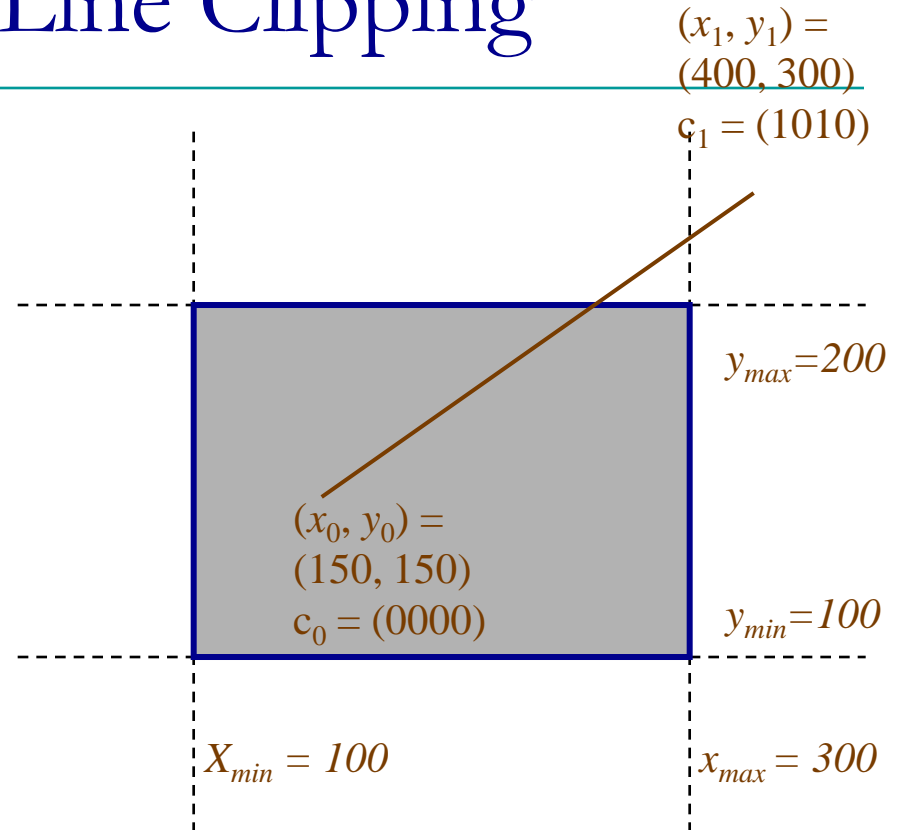
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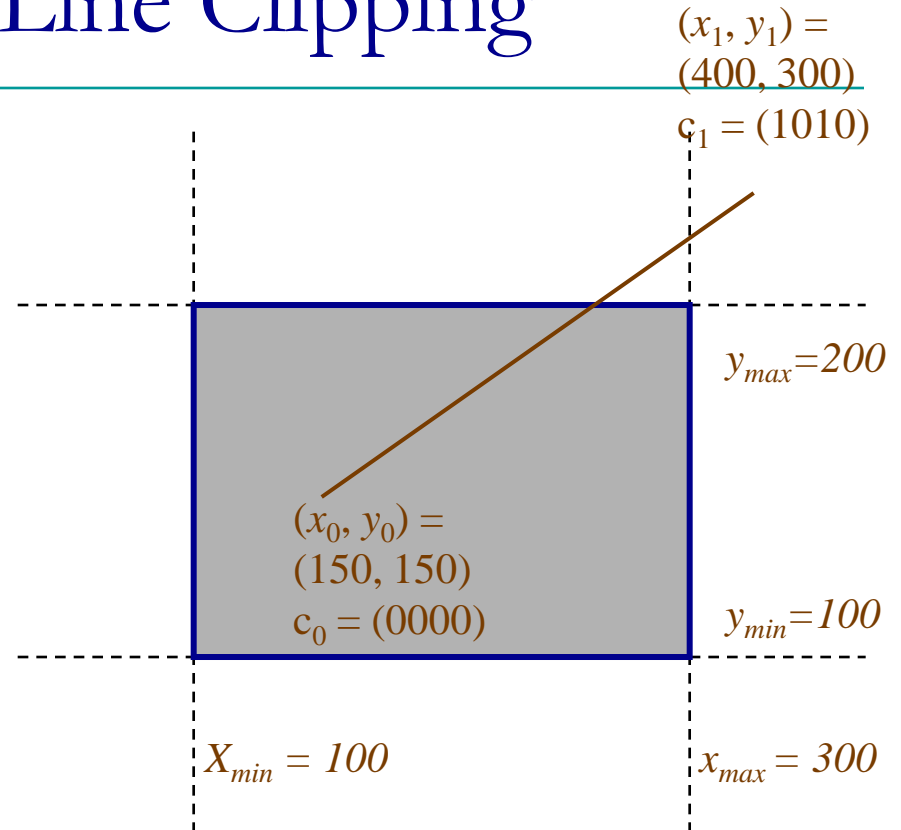
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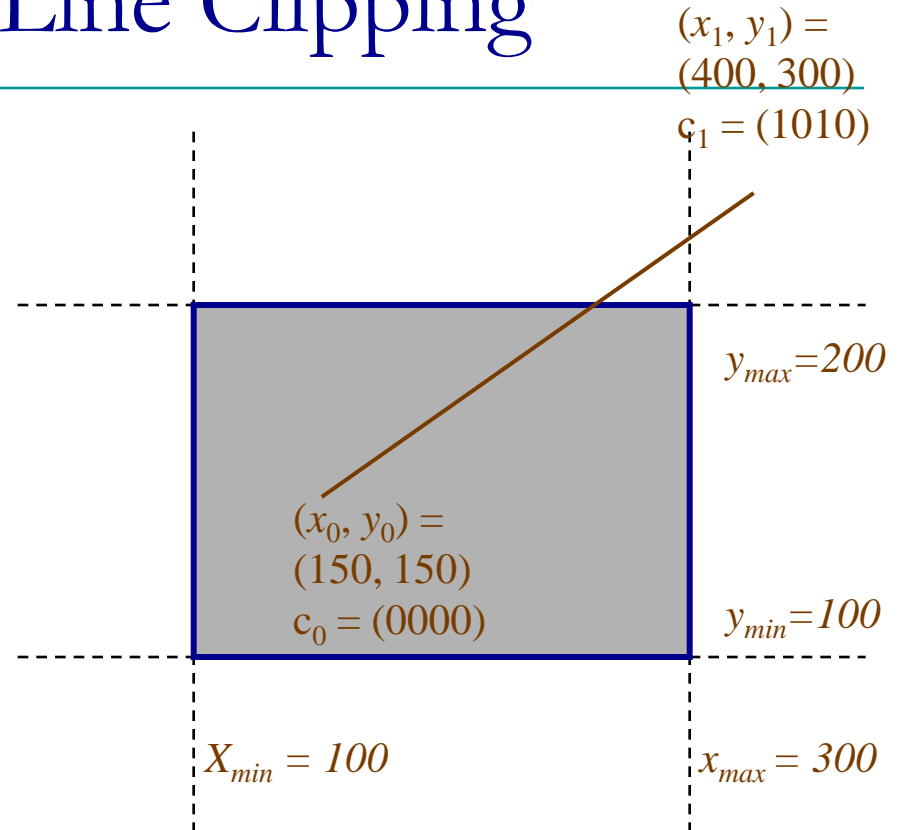
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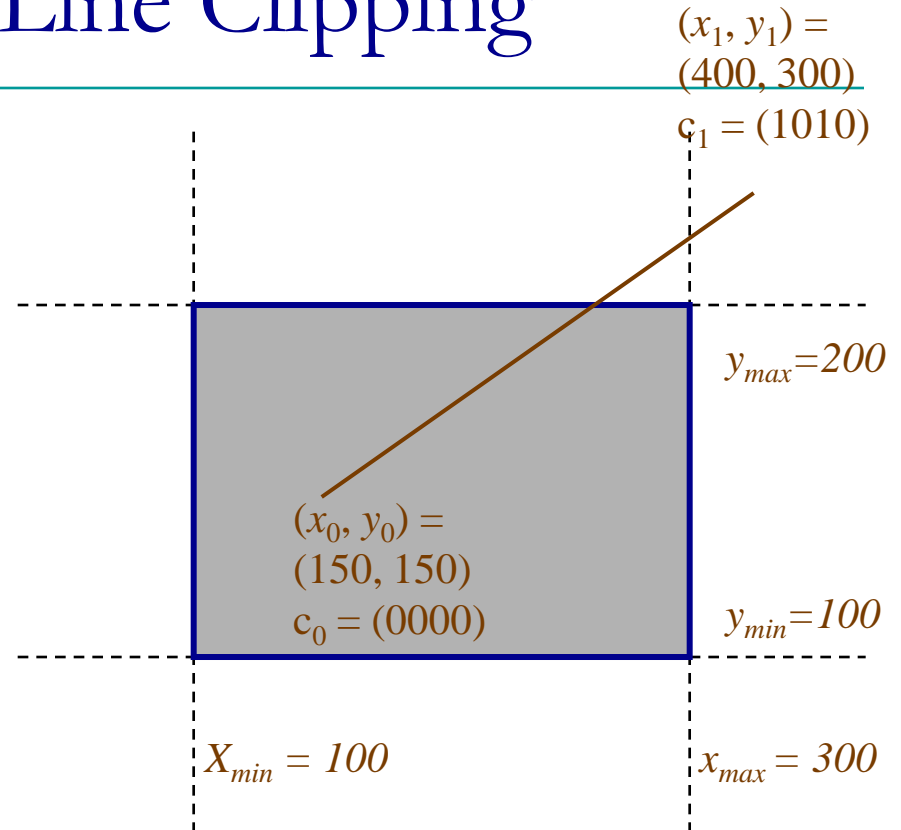
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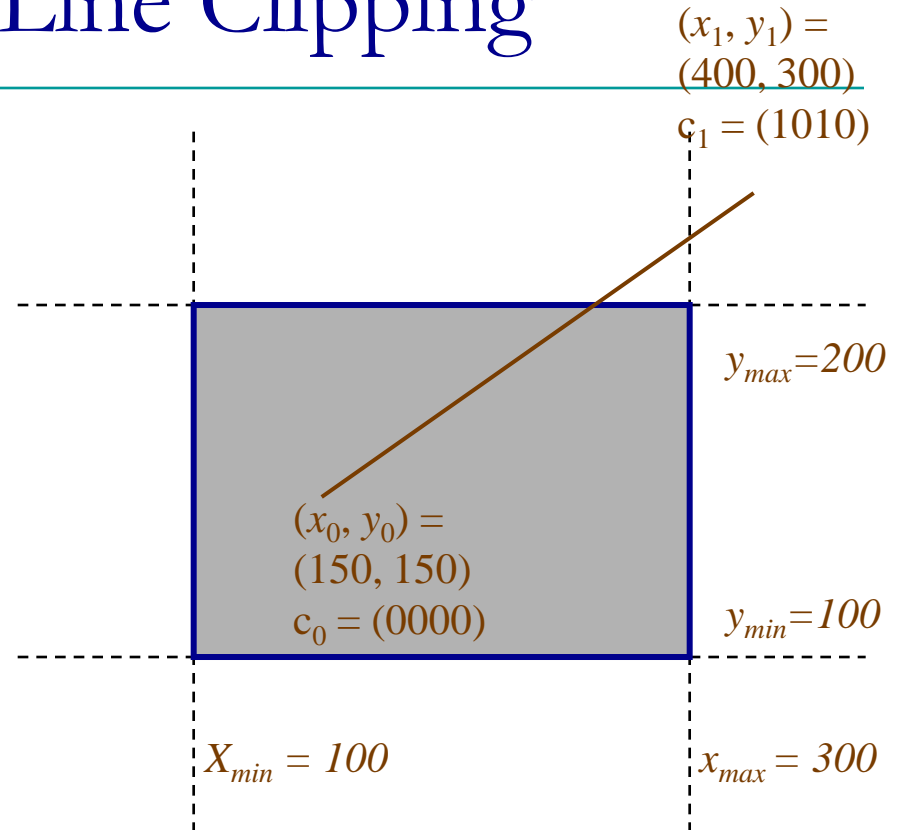
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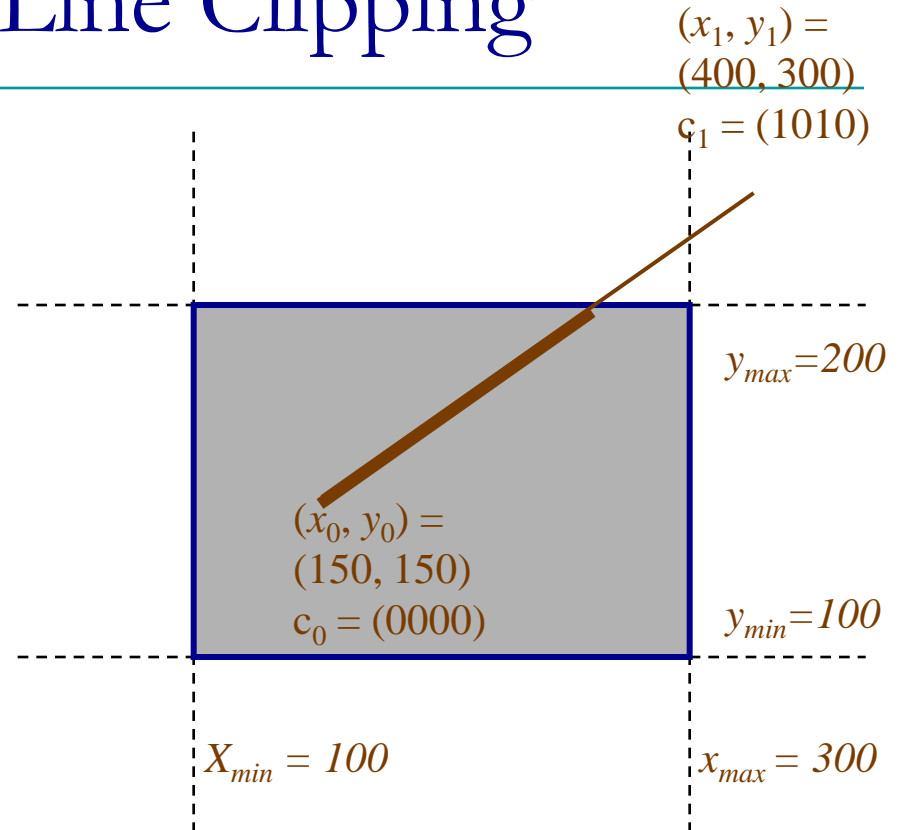
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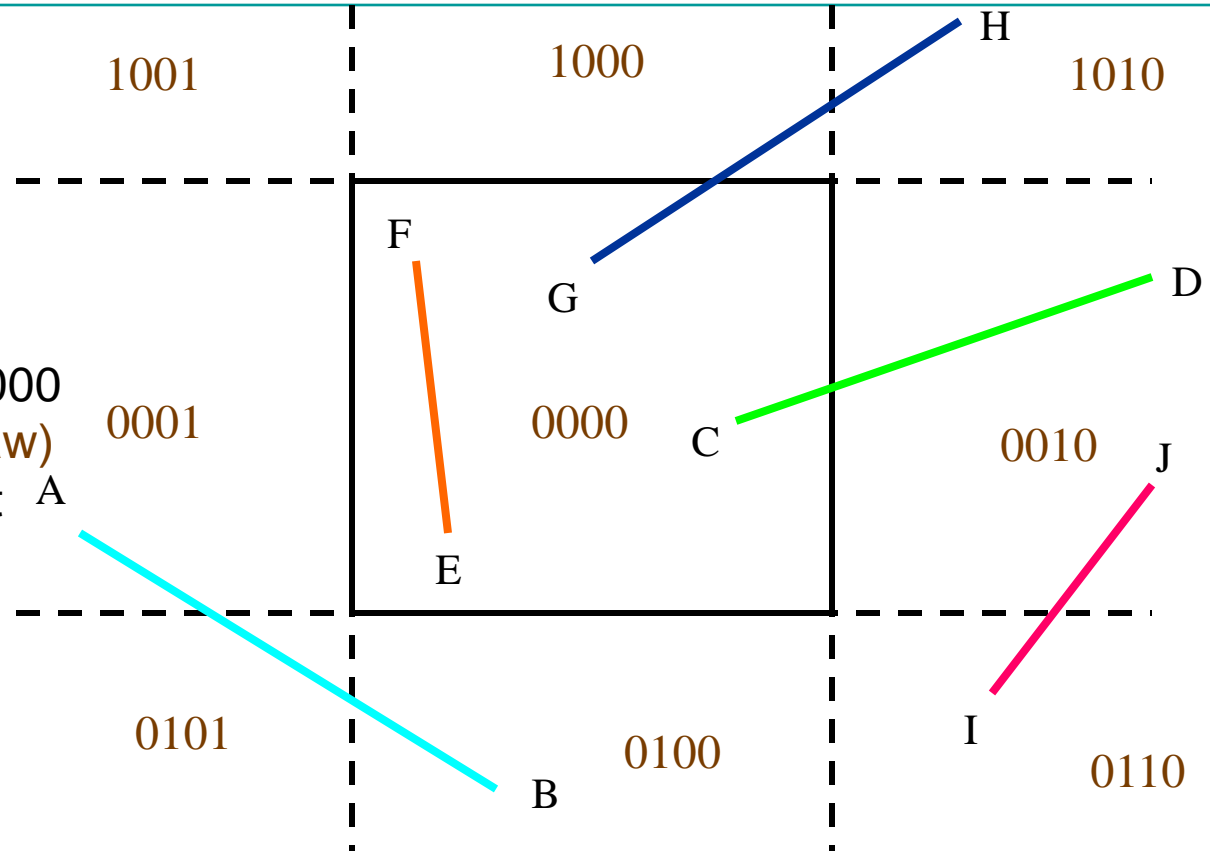
$x_1 = x$ ;  $y_1 = y$ ;



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# Cohen-Sutherland Line Clip Examples

if  $c0 \mid c1 = 0000$   
 accept (draw)  
 else if  $c0 \& c1 \neq 0000$   
 reject (don't draw)  
 else clip and retest



A 0001  
 B 0100  
 OR 0101  
 AND 0000  
**clip**

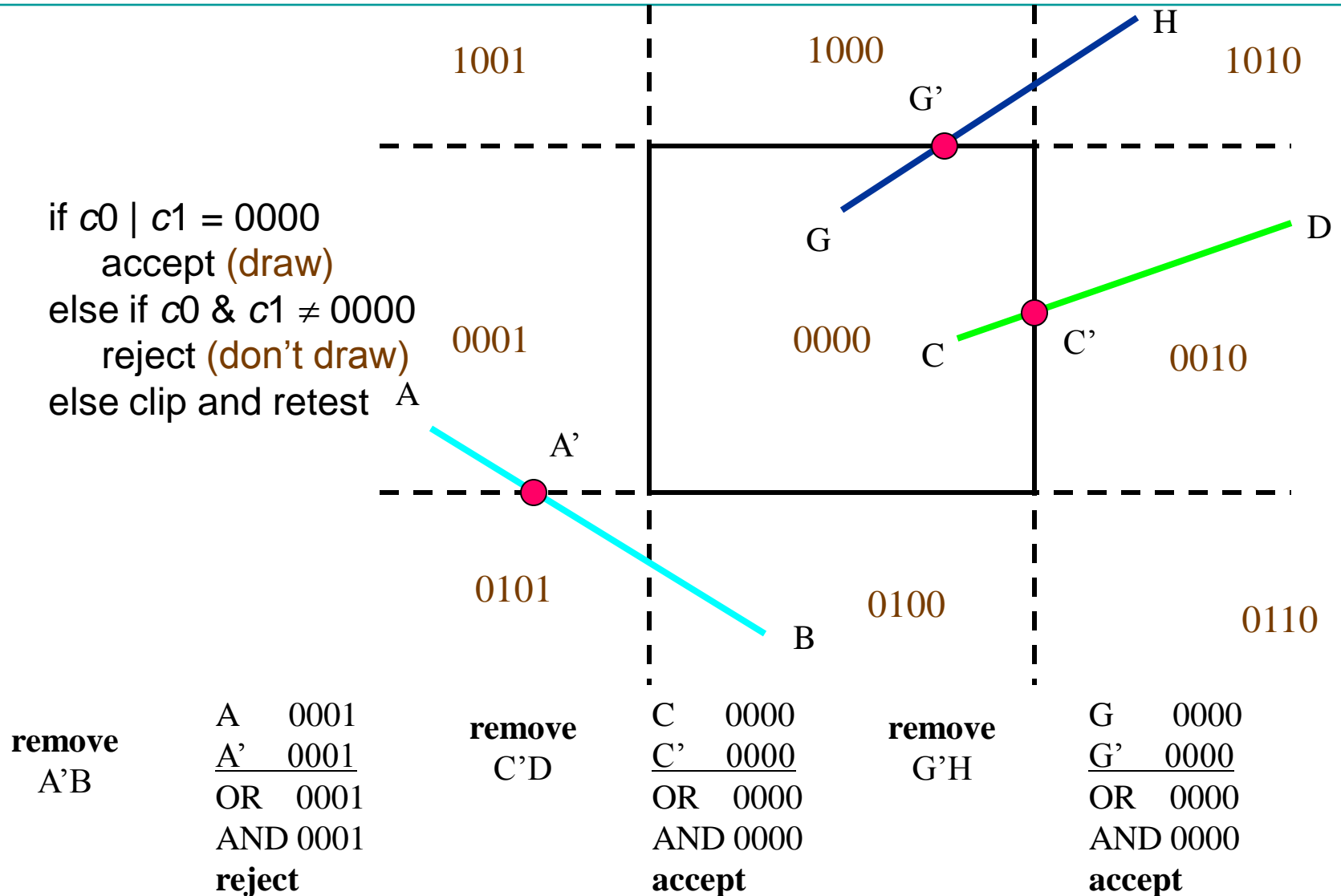
C 0000  
 D 0010  
 OR 0010  
 AND 0000  
**clip**

E 0000  
 F 0000  
 OR 0000  
 AND 0000  
**accept**

G 0000  
 H 1010  
 OR 1010  
 AND 0000  
**clip**

I 0110  
 J 0010  
 OR 0110  
 AND 0010  
**reject**

# Cohen-Sutherland Line Clip Examples



# Cohen-Sutherland: Summary

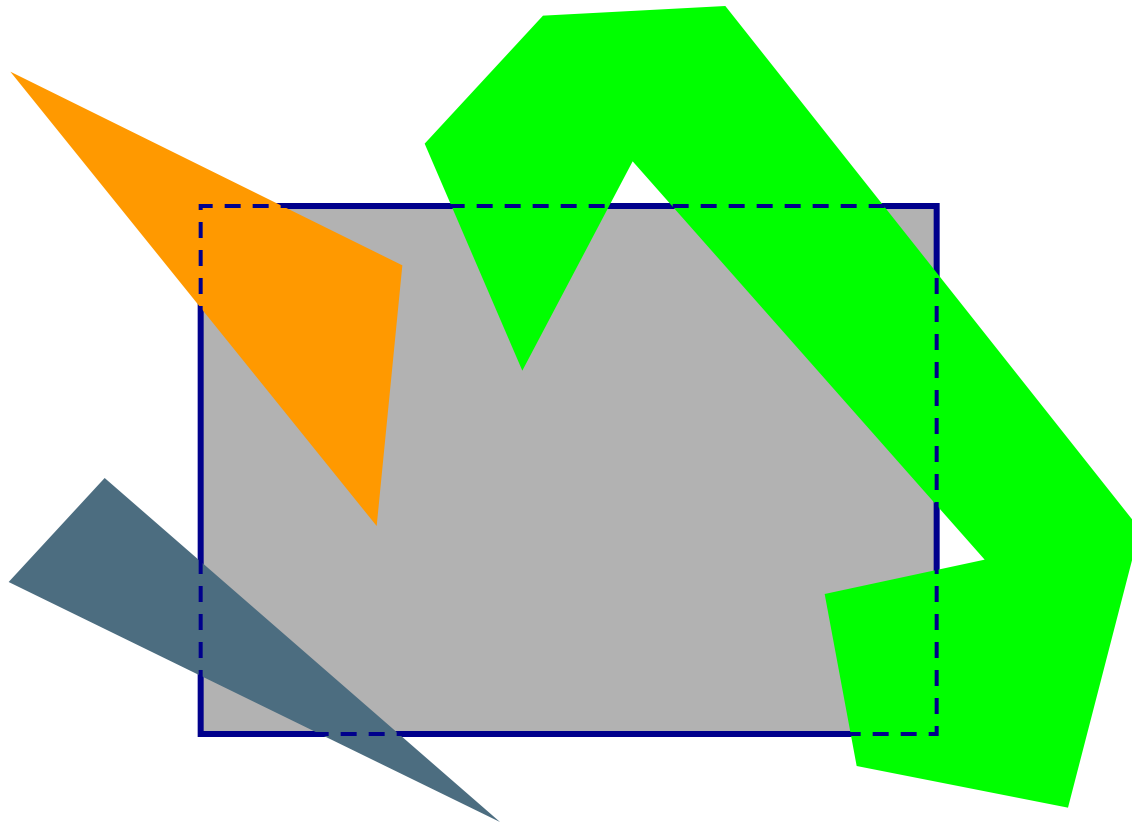
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# Polygon Clipping

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What about polygons?



# Polygon Clipping: Algorithm

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- Clip polygon to  $y_{min}$  and  $y_{max}$ :
  - Create empty output vertex list
  - Process input list  $(\mathbf{v}_0, \mathbf{v}_1, \dots, \mathbf{v}_n)$  where  $\mathbf{v}_0 = \mathbf{v}_n$
  - For each input vertex  $(\mathbf{v}_i \text{ where } 0 \leq i \leq n-1)$ :
    - If  $\mathbf{v}_i$  is inside region  $\rightarrow$  Add  $\mathbf{v}_i$  to output list.
    - If the line between  $\mathbf{v}_i$  and  $\mathbf{v}_{i+1}$  intersects clipping boundaries  $\rightarrow$  Add intersection point(s) to output list.
- Repeat: Clip to  $x_{min}$  and  $x_{max}$
- Post-process:
  - Remove degenerate sections that have collapsed to region boundary.

# Polygon Clipping: Example

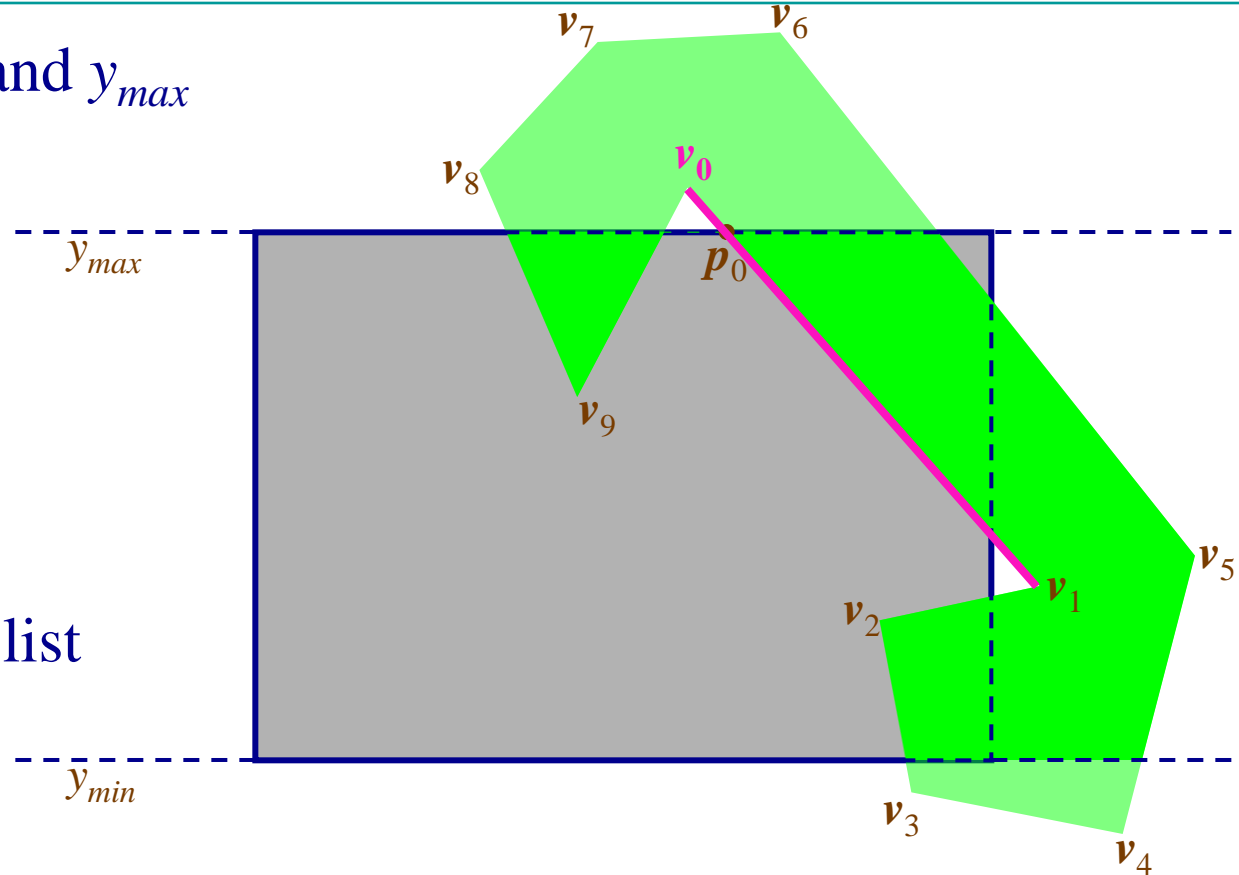
Clip first to  $y_{min}$  and  $y_{max}$

**vertex:**  $v_0$

Inside region: No

Line intersect  
boundary: Yes

Add  $p_0$  to output list



Input vertex list:  $(v_0, v_1, v_2, v_3, v_4, v_5, v_6, v_7, v_8, v_9)$

Output vertex list:  $p_0$

# Polygon Clipping: Example

Clip first to  $y_{min}$  and  $y_{max}$

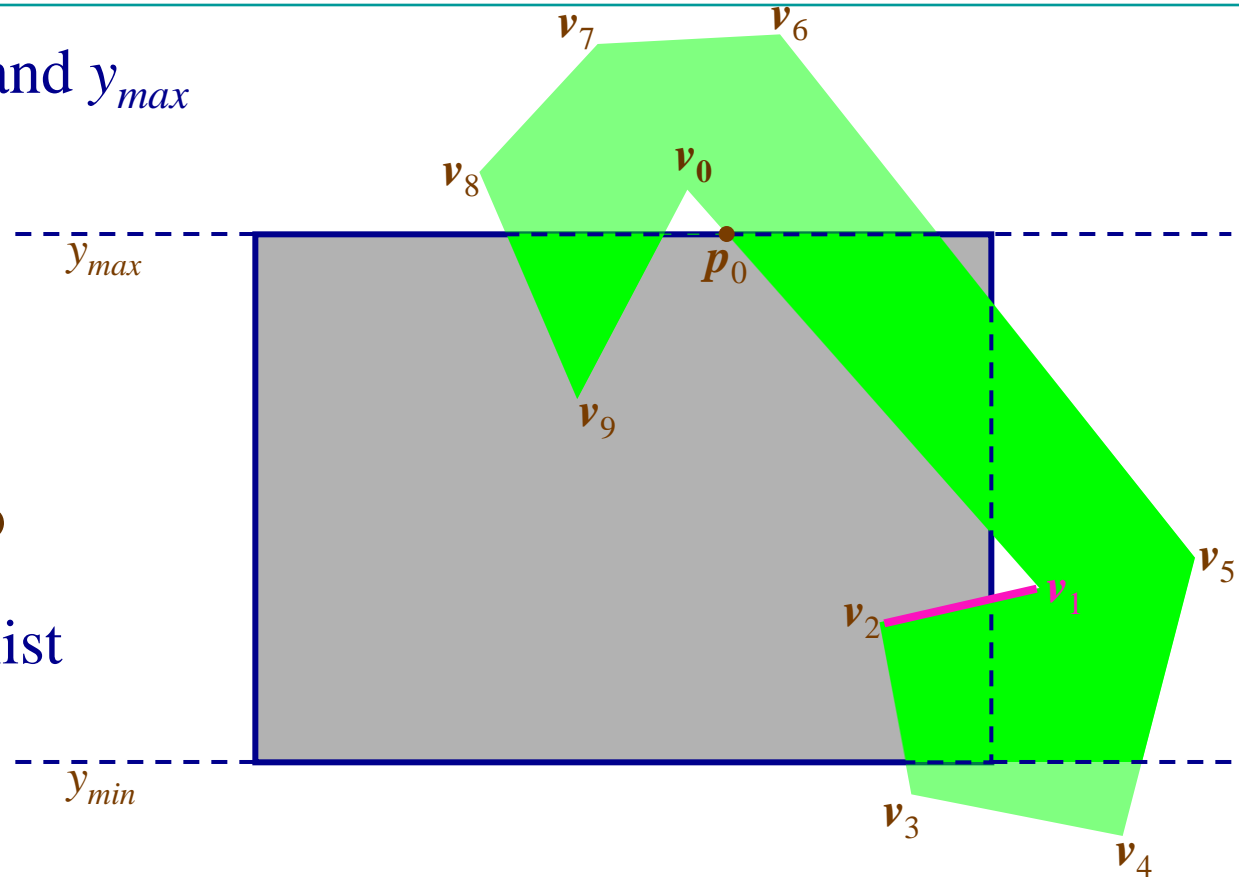
**vertex:  $v_1$**

inside region: **yes**

line intersect

boundary: **no**

add  $v_1$  to output list



Input vertex list:  $(v_0, v_1, v_2, v_3, v_4, v_5, v_6, v_7, v_8, v_9)$

Output vertex list:  $p_0, v_1$



# Polygon Clipping: Example

Clip first to  $y_{min}$  and  $y_{max}$

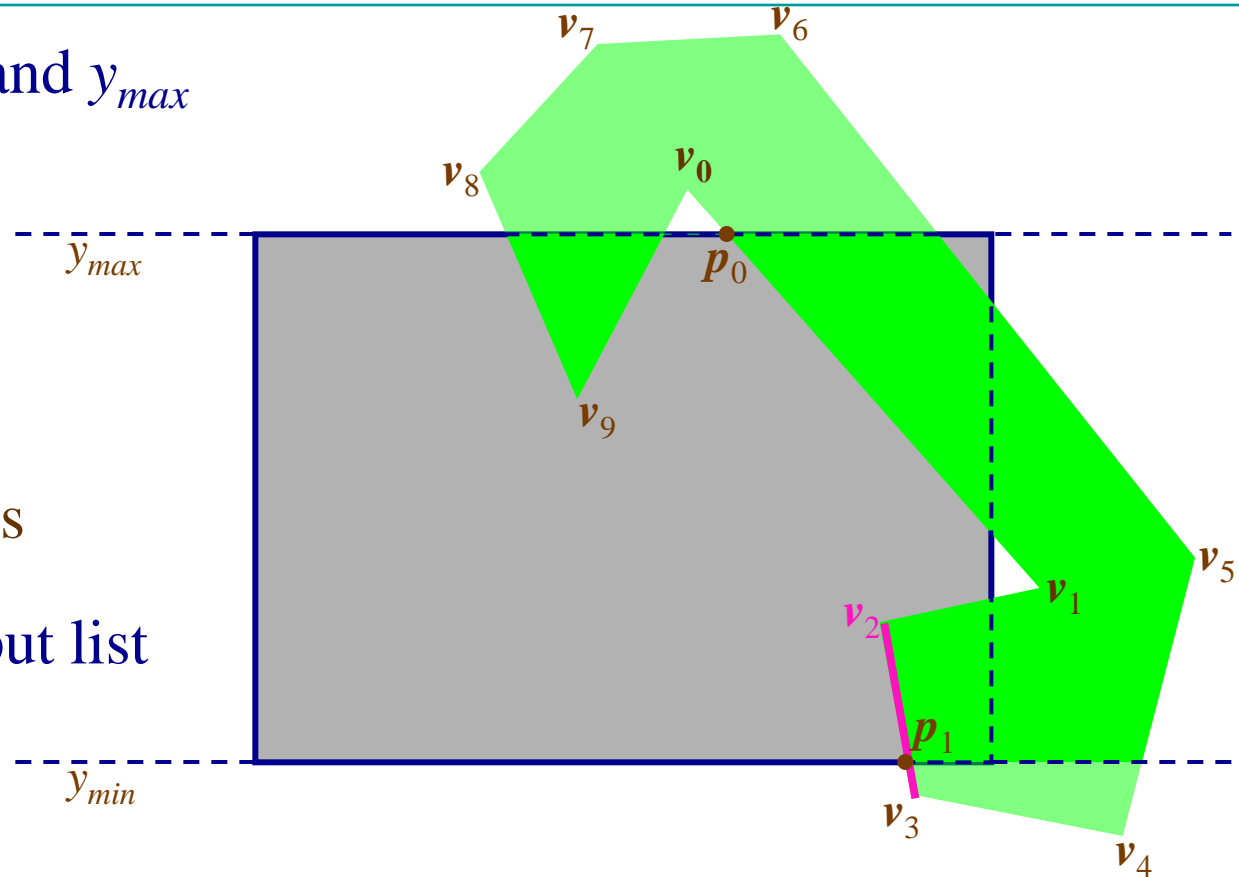
**vertex:**  $v_2$

inside region: yes

line intersect

boundary: yes

add  $v_2, p_1$  to output list



Input vertex list:  $(v_0, v_1, v_2, v_3, v_4, v_5, v_6, v_7, v_8, v_9)$

Output vertex list:  $p_0, v_1, v_2, p_1$

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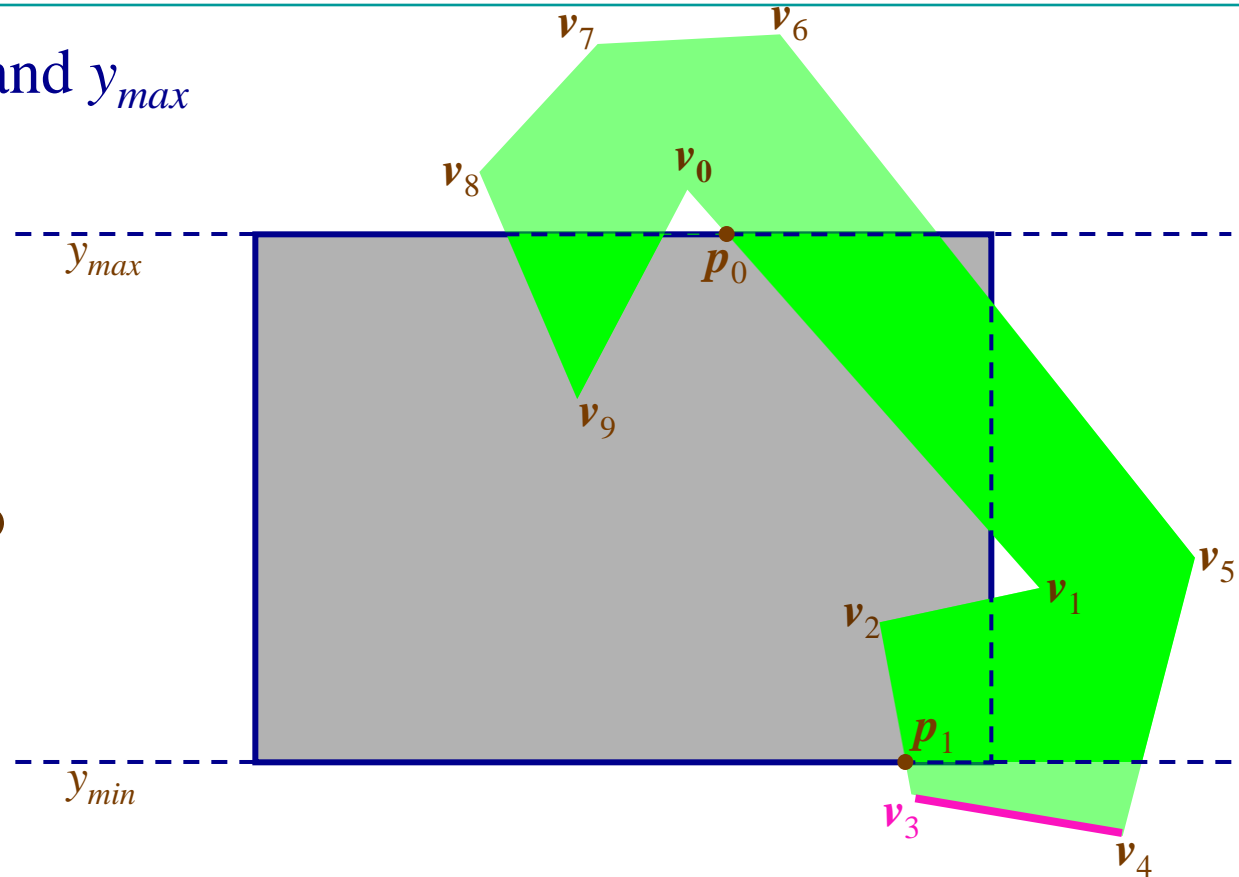
Clip first to  $y_{min}$  and  $y_{max}$

**vertex:**  $v_3$

inside region: no

line intersect

boundary: no



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# Polygon Clipping: Example

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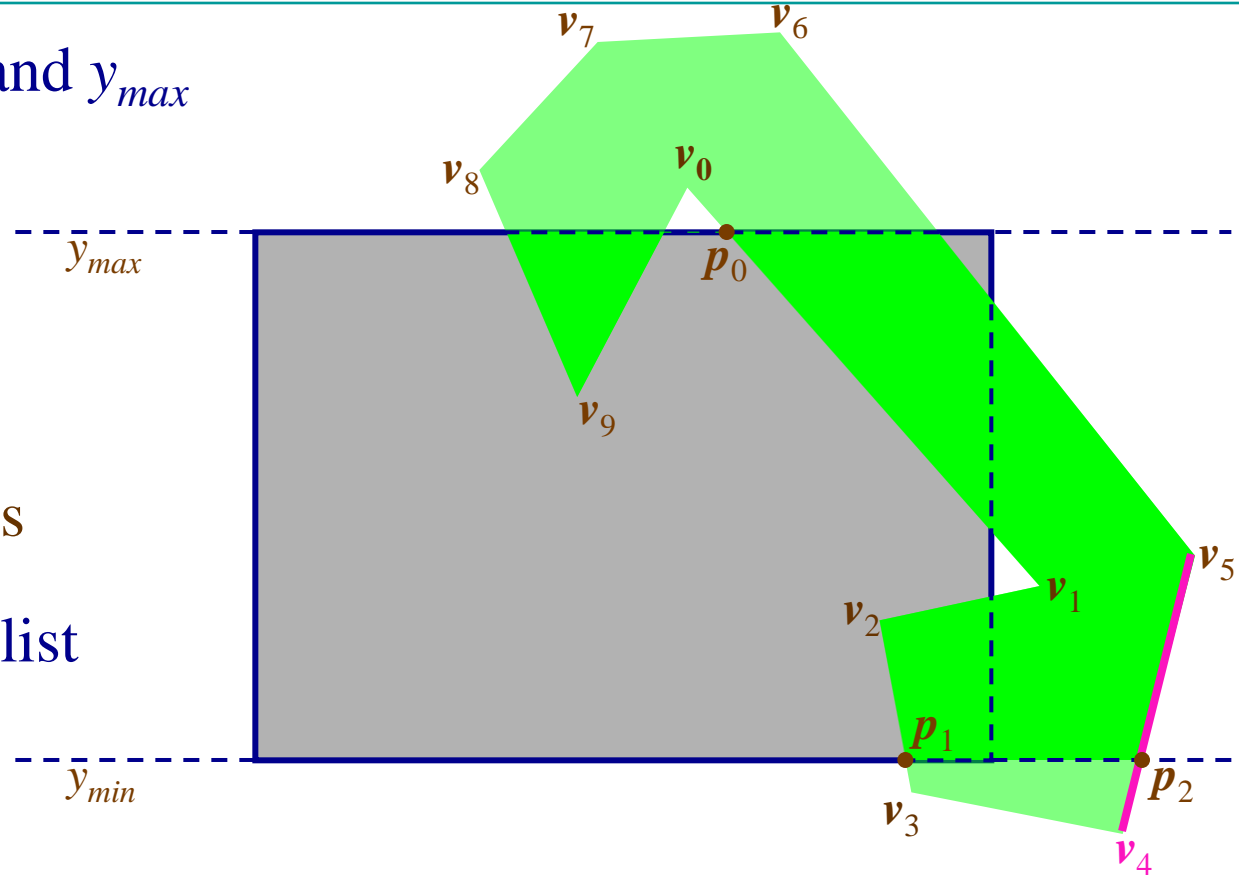
**vertex:**  $v_4$

inside region: no

line intersect

boundary: yes

add  $p_2$  to output list



Input vertex list:  $(v_0, v_1, v_2, v_3, v_4, v_5, v_6, v_7, v_8, v_9)$

Output vertex list:  $p_0, v_1, v_2, p_1, p_2$

# Polygon Clipping: Example

Clip first to  $y_{min}$  and  $y_{max}$

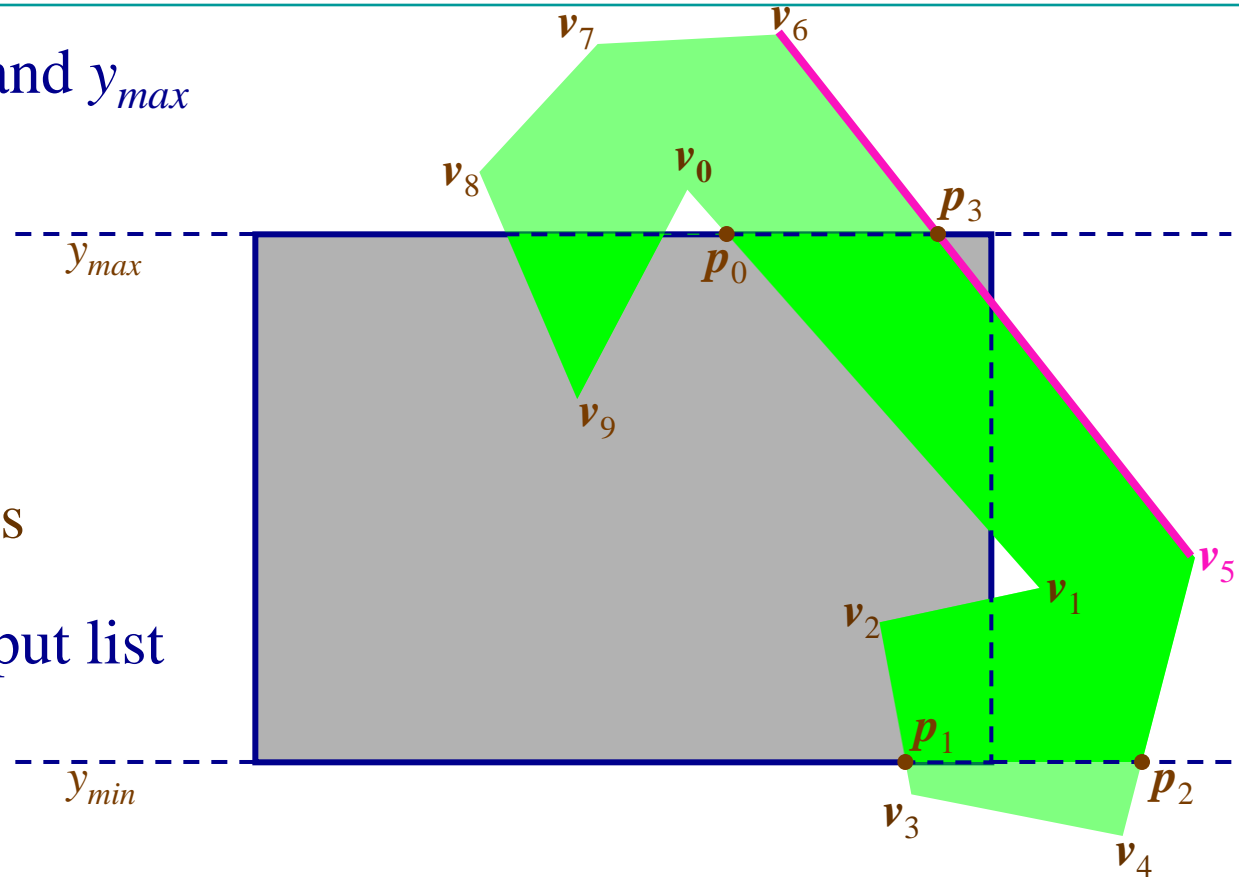
**vertex:**  $v_5$

inside region: yes

line intersect

boundary: yes

add  $v_5, p_3$  to output list



Input vertex list:  $(v_0, v_1, v_2, v_3, v_4, v_5, v_6, v_7, v_8, v_9)$

Output vertex list:  $p_0, v_1, v_2, p_1, p_2, v_5, p_3$

# Polygon Clipping: Example

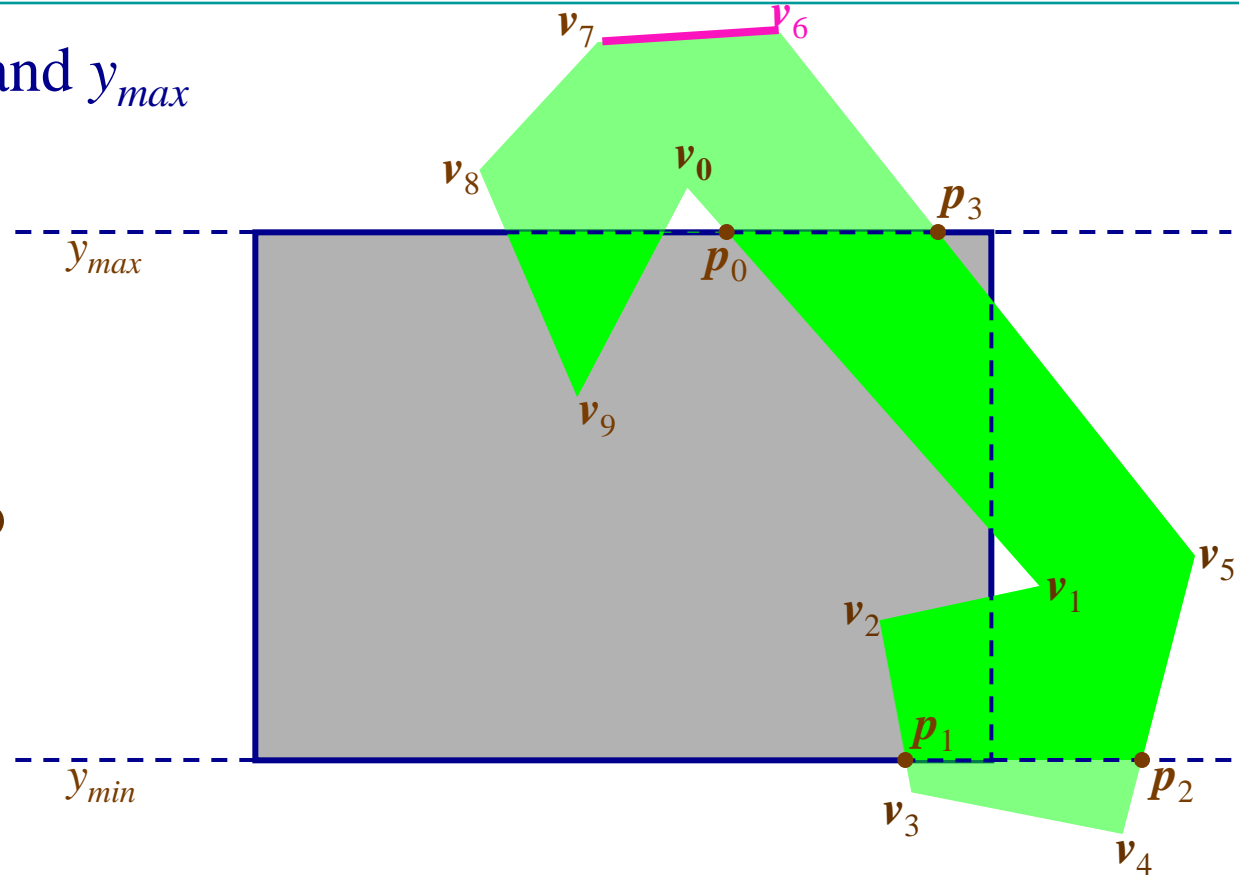
Clip first to  $y_{min}$  and  $y_{max}$

**vertex:**  $v_6$

inside region: no

line intersect

boundary: no



Input vertex list:  $(v_0, v_1, v_2, v_3, v_4, v_5, v_6, v_7, v_8, v_9)$

Output vertex list:  $p_0, v_1, v_2, p_1, p_2, v_5, p_3$

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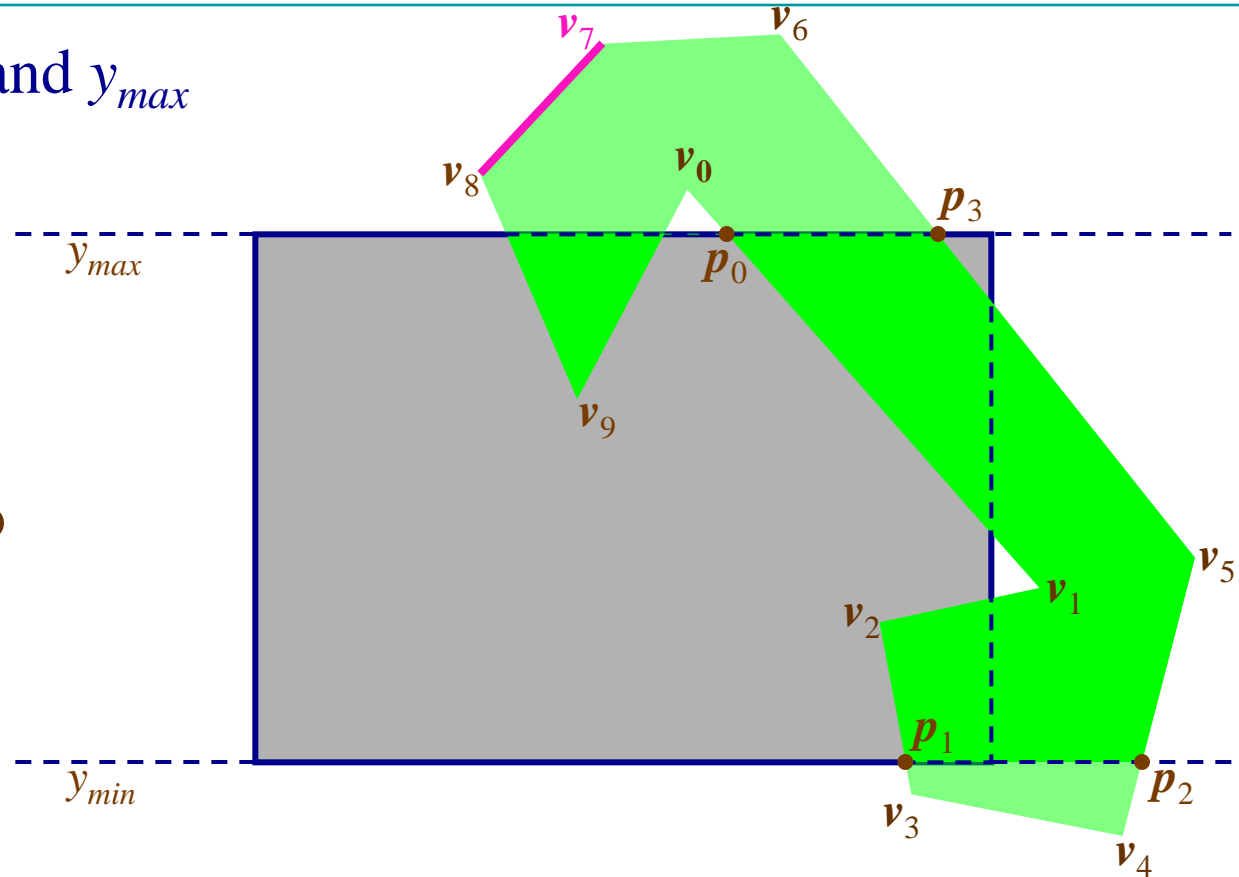
Clip first to  $y_{min}$  and  $y_{max}$

**vertex:**  $v_7$

inside region: **no**

line intersect

boundary: **no**



Input vertex list:  $(v_0, v_1, v_2, v_3, v_4, v_5, v_6, v_7, v_8, v_9)$

Output vertex list:  $p_0, v_1, v_2, p_1, p_2, v_5, p_3$

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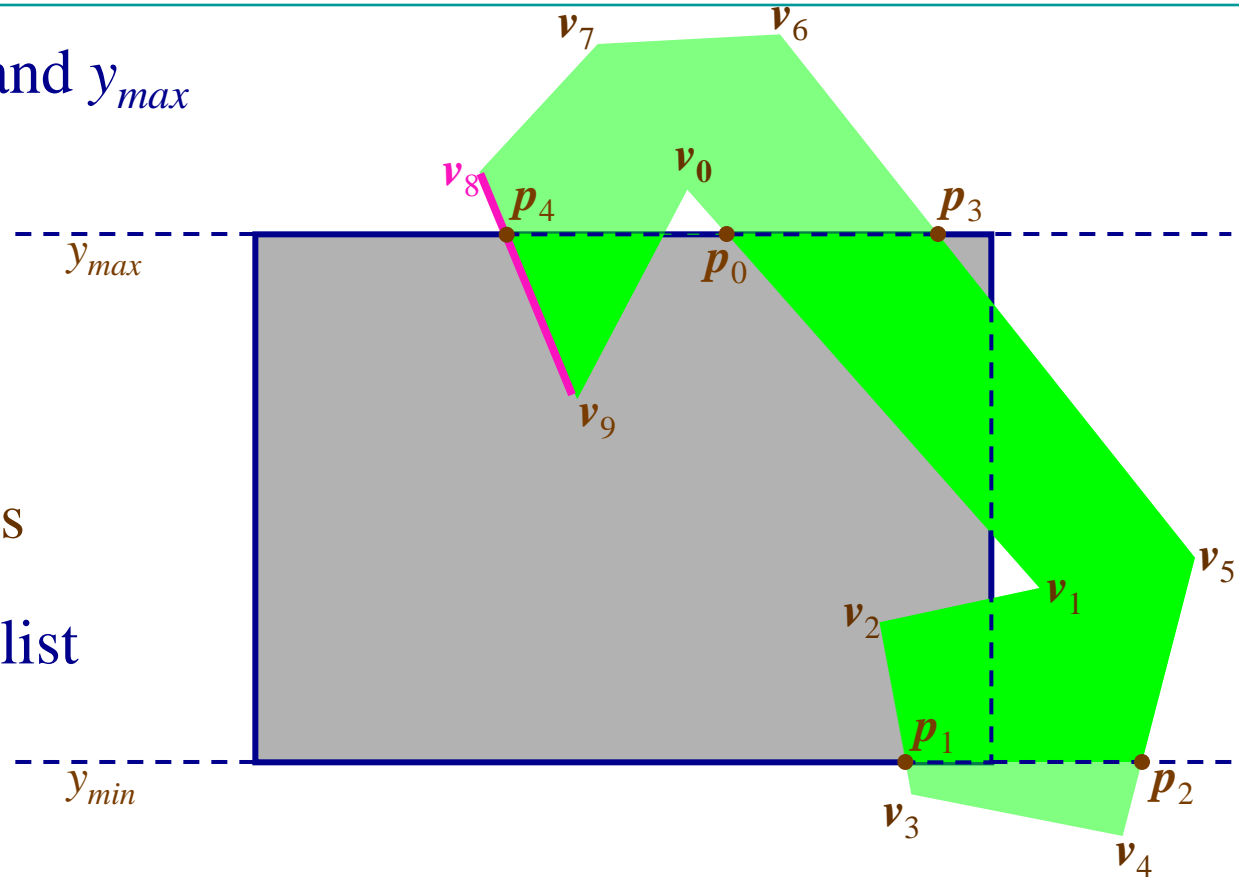
**vertex:**  $v_8$

inside region: no

line intersect

boundary: yes

add  $p_4$  to output list



Input vertex list:  $(v_0, v_1, v_2, v_3, v_4, v_5, v_6, v_7, v_8, v_9)$

Output vertex list:  $p_0, v_1, v_2, p_1, p_2, v_5, p_3, p_4$

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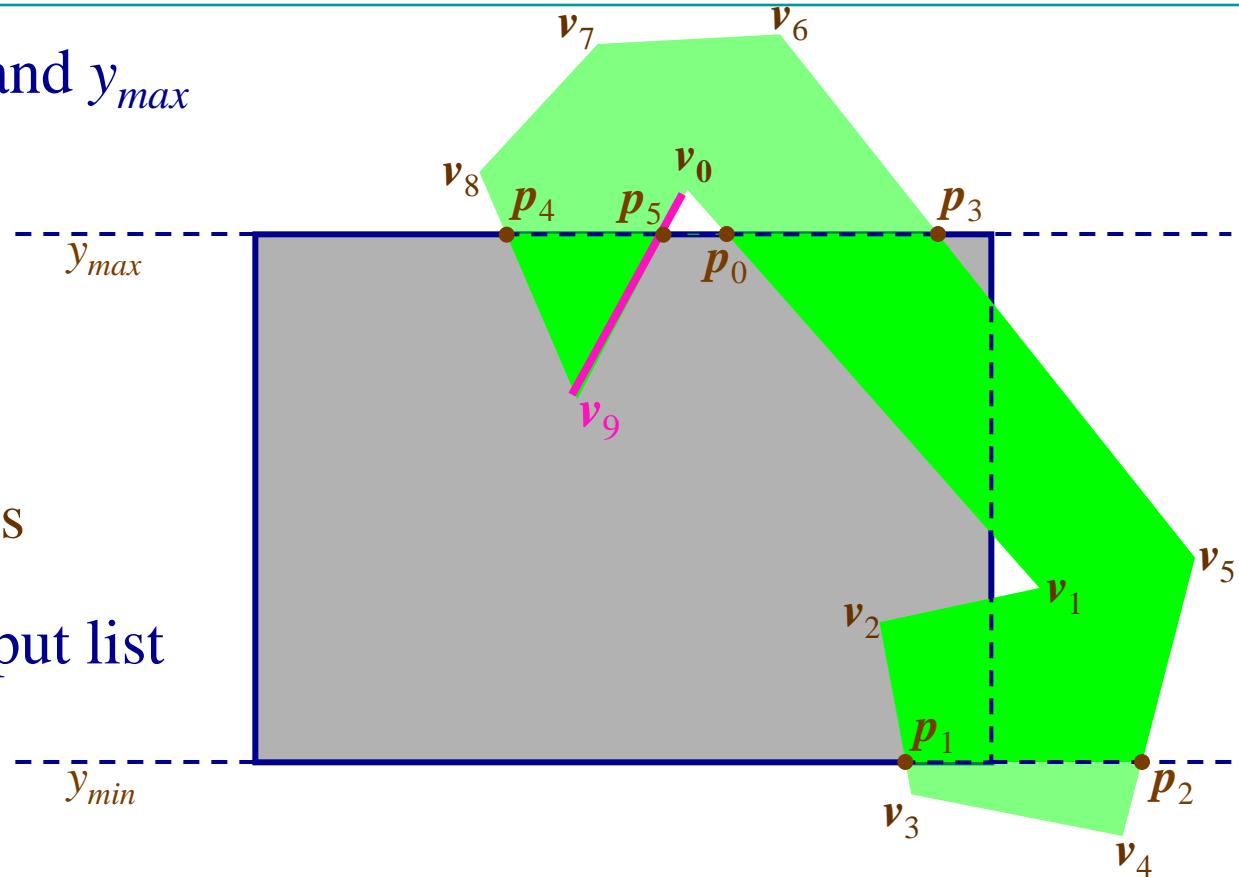
**vertex:  $v_9$**

inside region: yes

line intersect

boundary: yes

add  $v_9, p_5$  to output list



Input vertex list:  $(v_0, v_1, v_2, v_3, v_4, v_5, v_6, v_7, v_8, v_9)$

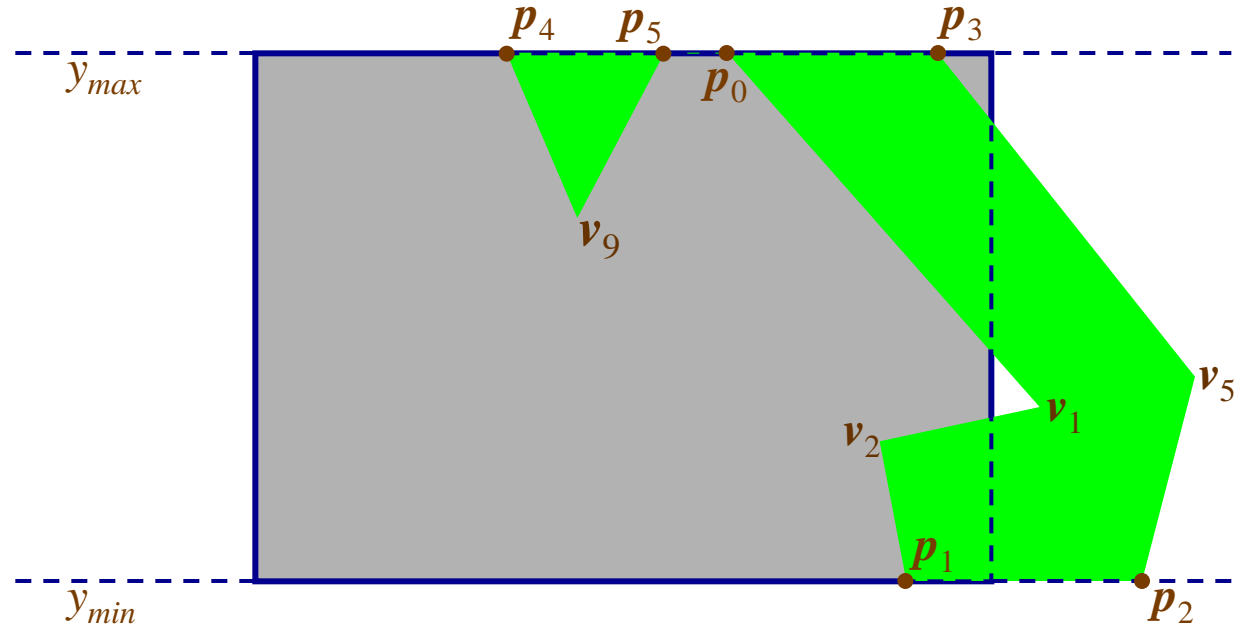
Output vertex list:  $p_0, v_1, v_2, p_1, p_2, v_5, p_3, p_4, v_9, p_5$



# Polygon Clipping: Example

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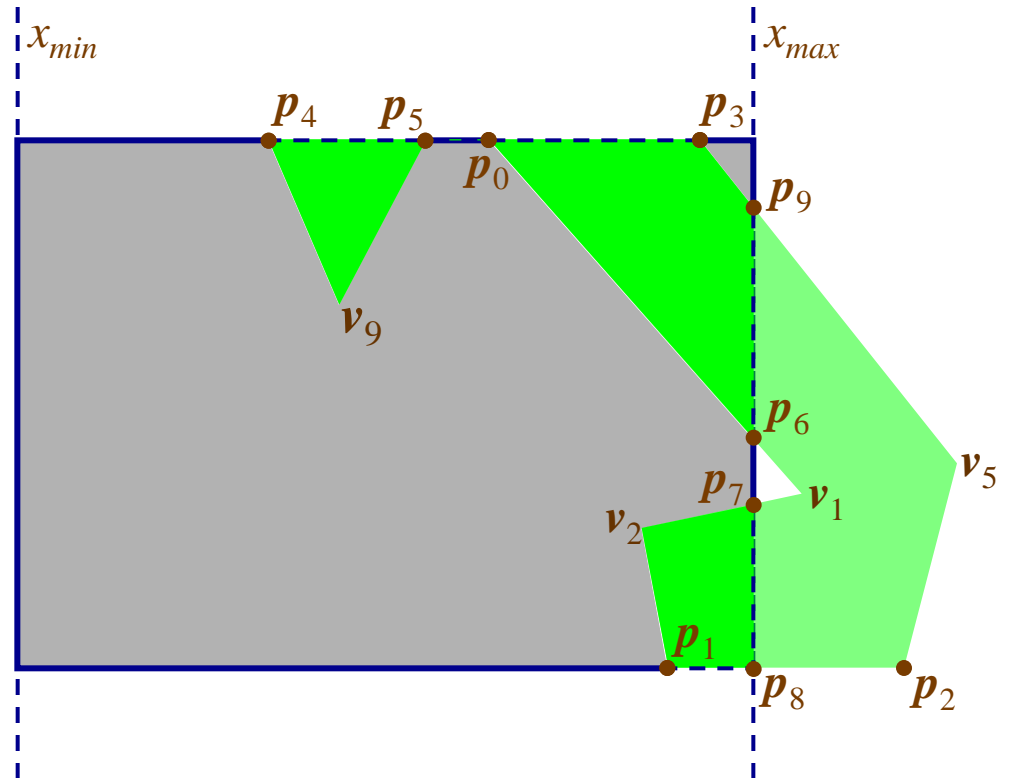
This gives us a new polygon



with vertices:  $(p_0, v_1, v_2, p_1, p_2, v_5, p_3, p_4, v_9, p_5)$

# Polygon Clipping: Example (cont.)

Now clip to  $x_{min}$  and  $x_{max}$

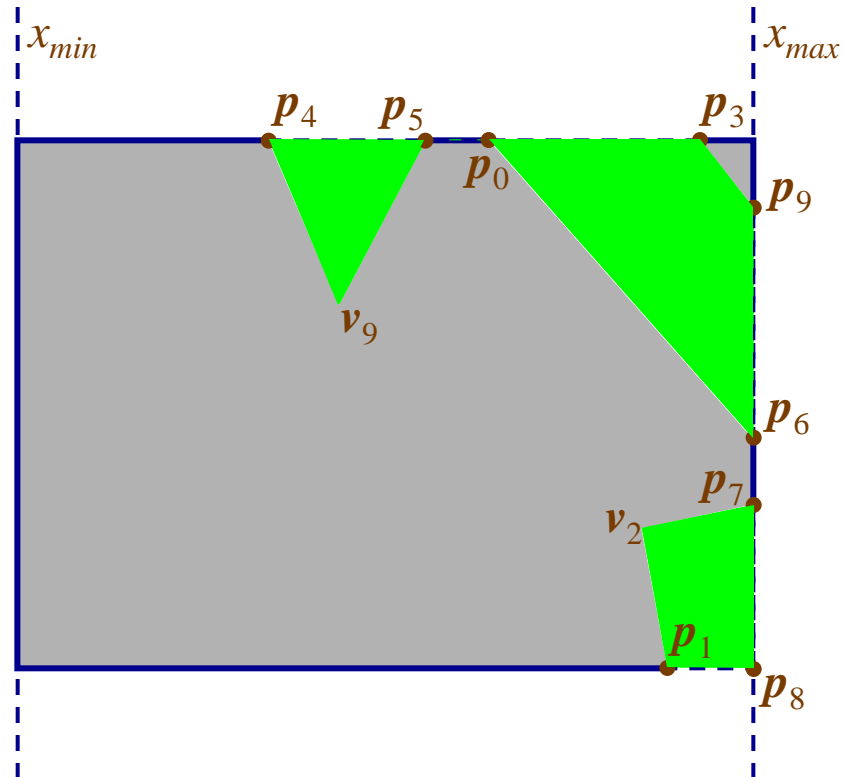


Input vertex list:  $(p_0, v_1, v_2, p_1, p_2, v_5, p_3, p_4, v_9, p_5)$

Output vertex list:  $(p_0, p_6, p_7, v_2, p_1, p_8, p_9, p_3, p_4, v_9, p_5)$

# Polygon Clipping: Example (cont.)

Now post-process



Output vertex list:  $(p_0, p_6, p_7, v_2, p_1, p_8, p_9, p_3, p_4, v_9, p_5)$

Post-process:  $(p_0, p_6, p_9, p_3,)$  and  $(p_7, v_2, p_1, p_8)$  and  $(v_4, v_9, p_5)$