

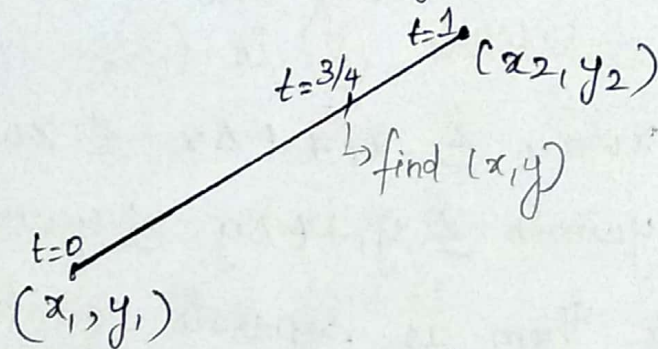
# Liang Barsky Line Clipping Algorithm

- Use Parametric equation of the line
- Consider line  $(x_1, y_1)$  to  $(x_2, y_2)$

Consider  $t$  (time) : range from 0 to 1.

At start of the line  $(x_1, y_1)$ ,  $t=0$

At end of the line  $(x_2, y_2)$ ,  $t=1$



Consider the line is at  $3/4$  between 0 and 1.

At  $3/4^{\text{th}}$  of line path,  $t = 3/4$ .

The location is,

$$x = 1/4 x_1 + 3/4 x_2$$

$$y = 1/4 y_1 + 3/4 y_2$$

still we want to  
travel  $1/4$  from  $x_1$   
& have crossed  $3/4^{\text{th}}$   
of  $x_2$

∴ In general,

If time is  $t$ ,

$$x = (1-t)x_1 + tx_2$$

$$y = (1-t)y_1 + ty_2$$

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From ①,

$$x = x_1 - tx_1 + tx_2$$

$$= x_1 + t(x_2 - x_1)$$

$$x = x_1 + t\Delta x$$

location of  $x$  at time  $t$ ,  
in between  $(x_1, y_1)$  to  $(x_2, y_2)$

Similarly,  $y = y_1 - ty_1 + ty_2$

$$y = y_1 + t\Delta y$$



∴ Parametric line equation is,

$$\begin{cases} x = x_1 + t\Delta x \\ y = y_1 + t\Delta y \end{cases} \rightarrow (2)$$

Algorithm derivation:-

$$\begin{cases} x_{wmin} \leq x \leq x_{wmax} \\ y_{wmin} \leq y \leq y_{wmax} \end{cases} \rightarrow (3)$$

Substitute (2) in (3),

$$x_{wmin} \leq x_1 + t\Delta x \leq x_{wmax}$$

$$y_{wmin} \leq y_1 + t\Delta y \leq y_{wmax}$$

Write them as separate equation,

$x_{wmin} \leq x_1 + t\Delta x$ $\Rightarrow -t\Delta x \leq x_1 - x_{wmin}$	$\text{  y,}$ $y_{wmin} \leq y_1 + t\Delta y$ $-t\Delta y \leq y_1 - y_{wmin}$
$x_1 + t\Delta x \leq x_{wmax}$ $\Rightarrow t\Delta x \leq x_{wmax} - x_1$	$\text{  y,}$ $y_1 + t\Delta y \leq y_{wmax}$ $\Rightarrow t\Delta y \leq y_{wmax} - y_1$

Similarly, generally, we can write as,

$$tP_k \leq q_k \quad [k = 1, 2, 3, 4] \rightarrow 4 \text{ different equations}$$

$$P_1 = -\Delta x$$

$$q_1 = x_1 - x_{wmin}$$

$$P_2 = \Delta x$$

$$q_2 = x_{wmax} - x_1$$

$$P_3 = -\Delta y$$

$$q_3 = y_1 - y_{wmin}$$

$$P_4 = \Delta y$$

$$q_4 = y_{wmax} - y_1$$

Now we have to identify whether the line is inside/outside (or) partially inside/outside



## Algorithm:

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Step 1: Get the endpoints of line  $(x_1, y_1)$  to  $(x_2, y_2)$

Step 2: Find  $\Delta x, \Delta y, P_1, P_2, P_3, P_4, q_1, q_2, q_3, q_4$ .

Step 3: Assign  $t_1 = 0, t_2 = 1$

(i) if  $P_k = 0$ , then the line is ||el to the window.  
( $k=1, 2, 3, 4$ )

if  $q_k < 0$ , then the line is outside the window.  
( $k=1, 2, 3, 4$ )

(ii) if  $P_k = 0$  &  $q_k > 0$ , then the line is inside the window.

(iii) For non-zero value of  $P_k$ , (line is Partially inside & Partially outside)  
if  $P_k < 0$  then find  $t_1$   
(line proceeds from outside to inside)

$$t_1 = \text{Max}(0, q_k/P_k)$$

else  $P_k > 0$  then find  $t_2$   
(line proceeds from inside to outside)

$$t_2 = \text{Min}(1, q_k/P_k)$$

if  $t_1 > t_2$  then line is completely outside - reject

else  
find new set of  $(x, y)$  if  $t_1, t_2$  is changed.

$$\begin{aligned} x &= x_1 + t \Delta x \\ y &= y_1 + t \Delta y \end{aligned}$$



Example:

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Consider the window size from 5 to 9.

clip the following line:

(4, 12) and (8, 8)

(6, 6) and (8, 6)

(3, 17) and (4, 1)

Soln:

Given  $x_{wmin} = y_{wmin} = 5,$

$x_{wmax} = y_{wmax} = 9.$

① (4, 12) and (8, 8):

$$\Delta x = x_2 - x_1 = 8 - 4 = 4$$

$$\Delta y = y_2 - y_1 = 8 - 12 = -4$$

$$P_1 = -\Delta x = -4$$

$$P_2 = \Delta x = 4$$

$$P_3 = -\Delta y = 4$$

$$P_4 = \Delta y = -4$$

$$q_1 = 4 - 5 = -1$$

$$q_2 = 9 - 4 = 5$$

$$q_3 = 12 - 5 = 7$$

$$q_4 = 9 - 12 = -3$$

Initial value of  $t_1 = 0, t_2 = 1.$

$P_1 \& P_4 < 0$  (choose corresponding  $q_k$ )  
(here  $q_1 \& q_4$ )

$$\therefore t_1 = \text{Max}(0, q_k/P_k) \\ = \text{Max}(0, -1/-4, -3/-4) = \text{Max}(0, 1/4, 3/4) \\ \therefore \boxed{t_1 = 3/4}$$



(5)

$$\therefore t_1 = 3/4$$

$\Rightarrow$  The line starting point is outside the window, at  $3/4$  of time, it crosses the window.

$P_2, P_3 > 0$ , (choose corresponding  $q_2$  &  $q_3$ )

$$t_2 = \min(1, q_2/P_2, q_3/P_3)$$

$$= \min(1, 5/4, 7/4)$$

$\therefore t_2 = 1$   $\Rightarrow$  The line ending pt is inside the window.

$t_1$  value alone is changed,

$$x = x_1 + t_1 \Delta x$$

$$= 4 + 3/4 \cdot 4$$

$$x = 7$$

$$y = y_1 + t_1 \Delta y$$

$$= 12 + 3/4 (-4)$$

$$y = 9$$

$\therefore$  New point is  $(7, 9)$  to  $(8, 8)$

If  $t_2$  is changed, then use,

$$x = x_1 + t_2 \Delta x \quad // x \text{ or } x_2$$

$$y = y_1 + t_2 \Delta y \quad // y \text{ or } y_2$$

Line L2:

$(6, 6)$  and  $(8, 6)$   
 $x_1, y_1$        $x_2, y_2$

$$\Delta x = 2 \quad \Delta y = 0$$

$$P_1 = -2 \quad q_1 = 6 - 5 = 1$$

$$P_2 = 2 \quad q_2 = 9 - 6 = 3$$

$$P_3 = -0 \quad q_3 = 6 - 5 = 1$$

$$P_4 = 0 \quad q_4 = 9 - 6 = 3$$

$$P = 0 \text{ \& } q \geq 0$$

$\therefore$  Line is Vel & the line is inside the clipping window.