

# Line Characterizations - 2

- Parametric:  $P(t) = (1-t) P_0 + t P_1$   
where,  $P(0) = P_0$ ;  $P(1) = P_1$
- Intersection of 2 planes
- Shortest path between 2 points
- *Convex hull* of 2 discrete points

# Line Characterizations

- Explicit:  $y = mx + B$
- Implicit:  $F(x, y) = ax + by + c = 0$
- Constant slope:  $\frac{\Delta y}{\Delta x} = k$
- Constant derivative:  $f'(x) = k$

# Discrete Lines

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- Lines vs. Line Segments
- What is a discrete line segment?
  - This is a relatively recent problem
  - How to generate a discrete line?

# “Good” Discrete Line - 1

- No gaps in adjacent pixels
- Pixels close to ideal line
- Consistent choices; same pixels in same situations

# “Good” Discrete Line - 2

- Smooth looking
- Even brightness in all orientations
- Same line for  $P_0 P_1$  as for  $P_1 P_0$
- Double pixels stacked up?

# Incremental Fn Eval

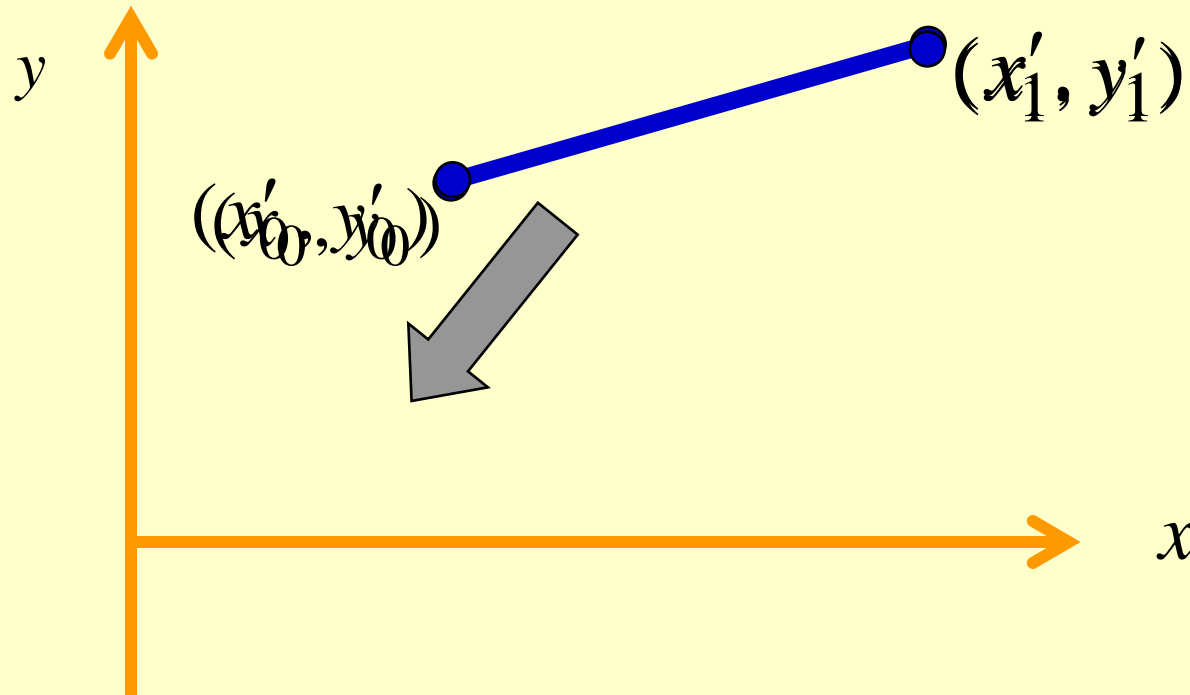
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- Recall  $f(x_{i+1}) = f(x_i) + \Delta(x_i)$
- Characteristics
  - Fast
  - Cumulative Error
- Need to define  $f(x_o)$

# Meeting Bresenham Criteria

- $m = 0; \quad m = 1 \Rightarrow$  trivial cases
- $(x_0, y_0) \neq (0, 0) \Rightarrow$  translate
- $0 > m > -1 \Rightarrow$  flip about  $x$ -axis
- $m > 1 \Rightarrow$  flip about  $x = y$

# Case 1: Translate to Origin





# Case 0: Trivial Situations

- $m = 0 \Rightarrow$  horizontal line
- $m = 1 \Rightarrow$  line  $y = x$
- Do not need Bresenham

# Case 1: Translate to Origin

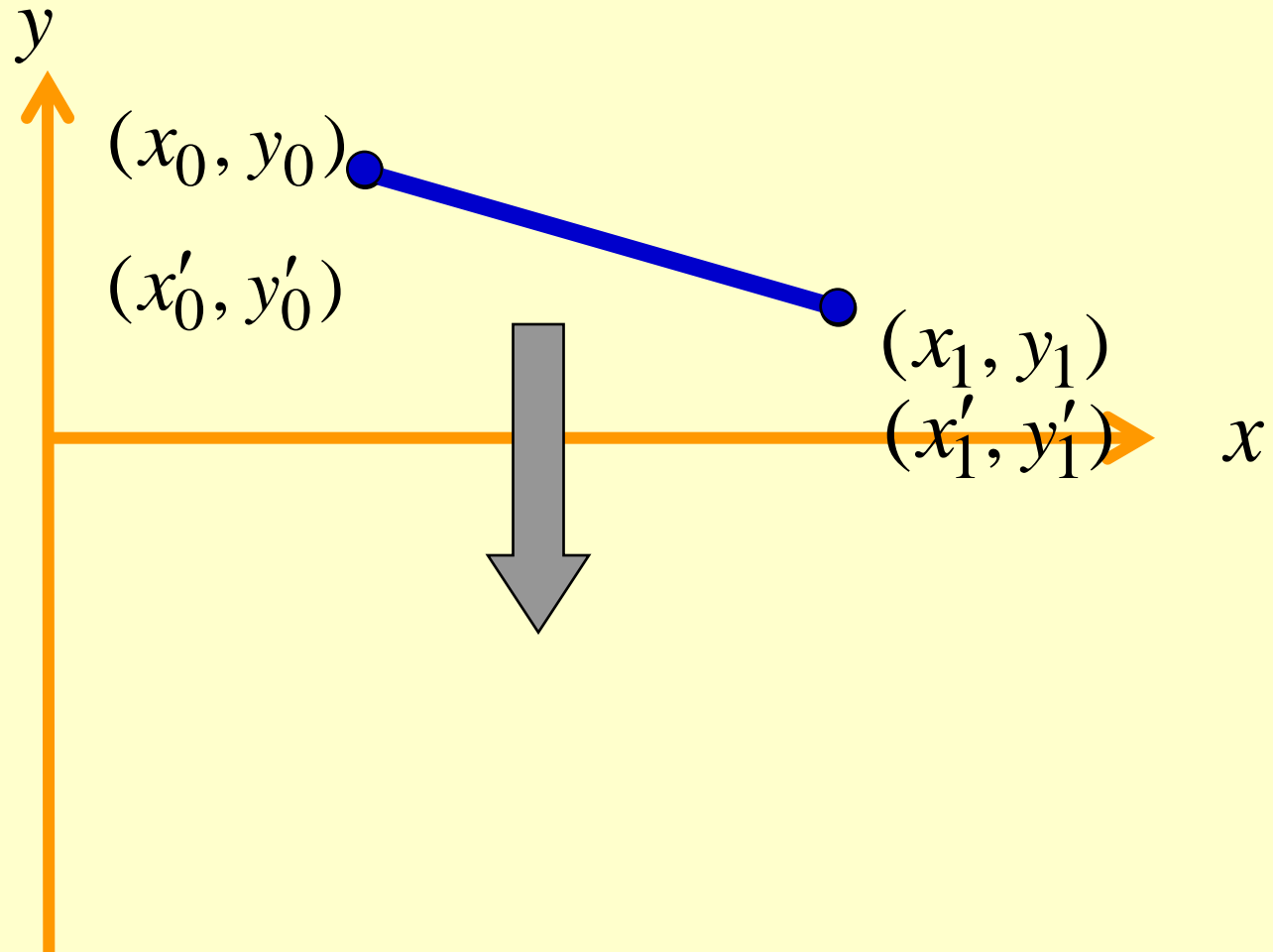
- Move  $(x_0, y_0)$  to the origin

$$(x'_0, y'_0) = (0,0);$$

$$(x'_1, y'_1) = (x_1 - x_0, y_1 - y_0)$$

- Need only consider lines emanating from the origin.

# Case 2: Flip about $x$ -axis



## Case 2: Flip about $x$ -axis

- Suppose,  $0 > m > -1$ ,
- Flip about  $x$ -axis ( $y' = -y$ ) :

$$(x'_0, y'_0) = (x_0, -y_0);$$

$$(x'_1, y'_1) = (x_1, -y_1)$$

# How do slopes relate?

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$$\left. \begin{aligned} m &= \frac{y_1 - y_0}{x_1 - x_0} ; \\ m' &= \frac{y'_1 - y'_0}{x_1 - x_0} \end{aligned} \right\} \text{by definition}$$

$$\text{Since } y'_i = -y_i, \quad m' = \frac{-y_1 - (-y_0)}{x_1 - x_0}$$

# How do slopes relate?

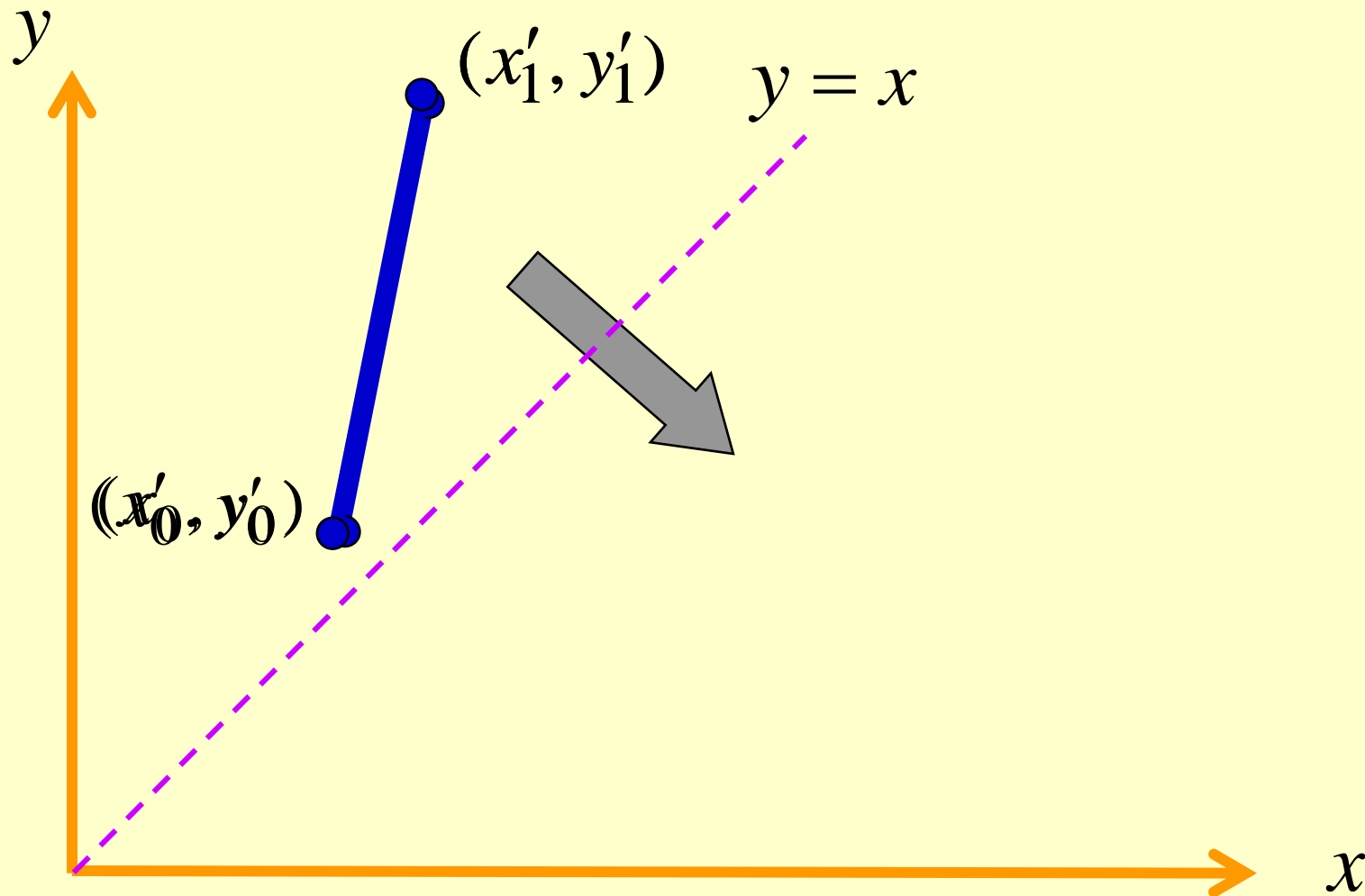
$$\text{i.e.,} \quad m' = -\frac{(y_1 - y_0)}{x_1 - x_0}$$

$$m' = -m$$

$$\therefore 0 > m > -1 \implies 0 < m' < 1$$

# Case 3: Flip about line $y = x$

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# Case 3: Flip about line $y = x$

$$y = mx + B,$$

swap  $x \leftrightarrow y$  and prime them ,

$$x' = my' + B,$$

$$my' = x' - B$$



## Case 3: $m' = ?$

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$$y' = \left( \frac{1}{m} \right) x' - B,$$

$$\therefore m' = \left( \frac{1}{m} \right) \text{ and,}$$

$$m > 1 \implies 0 < m' < 1$$

# Restricted Form

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- Line segment in *first* octant with

$$0 < m < 1$$

- Let us proceed

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# Midpoint Line Algorithm

# Two Line Equations

- Explicit:  $y = mx + B$
- Implicit:  $F(x, y) = ax + by + c = 0$

Define:  $dy = y_1 - y_0$   
 $dx = x_1 - x_0$

Hence,  $y = \left( \frac{dy}{dx} \right) x + B$

# From previous

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We have,  $y = \left( \frac{dy}{dx} \right) x + B$

Hence,  $\frac{dy}{dx} x - y + B = 0$

# Relating Explicit to Implicit Eq's

Recall,  $\frac{dy}{dx}x - y + B = 0$

Or,  $(dy)x + (-dx)y + (dx)B = 0$

$\therefore F(x, y) = (dy)x + (-dx)y + (dx)B = 0$

where,  $a = (dy); \quad b = -(dx); \quad c = B(dx)$

# Investigate Sign of $F$

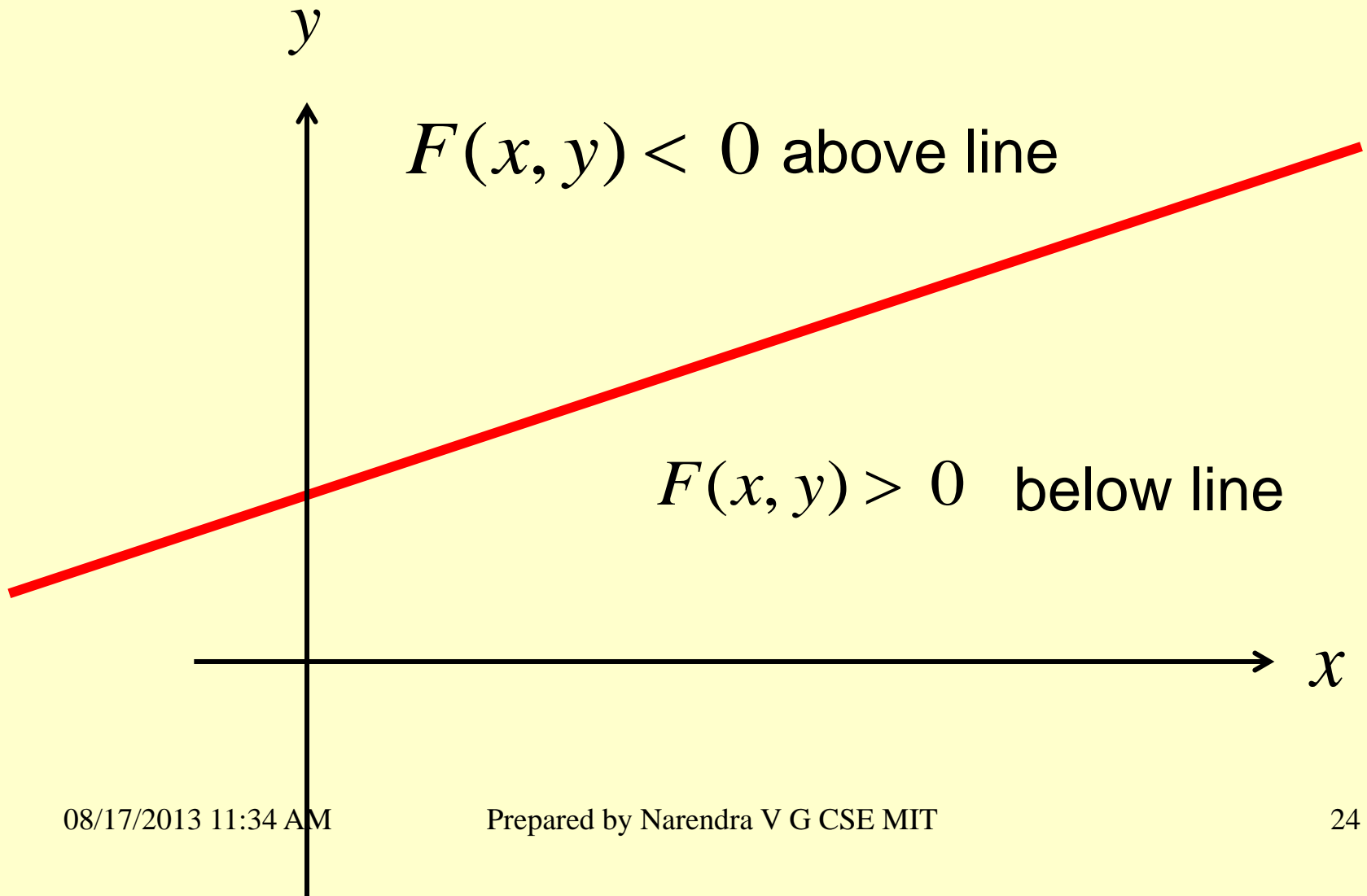
Verify that

$$F(x, y) = \begin{cases} + & \text{below line} \\ 0 & \text{on line} \\ - & \text{above line} \end{cases}$$

Look at extreme values of  $y$

# The Picture

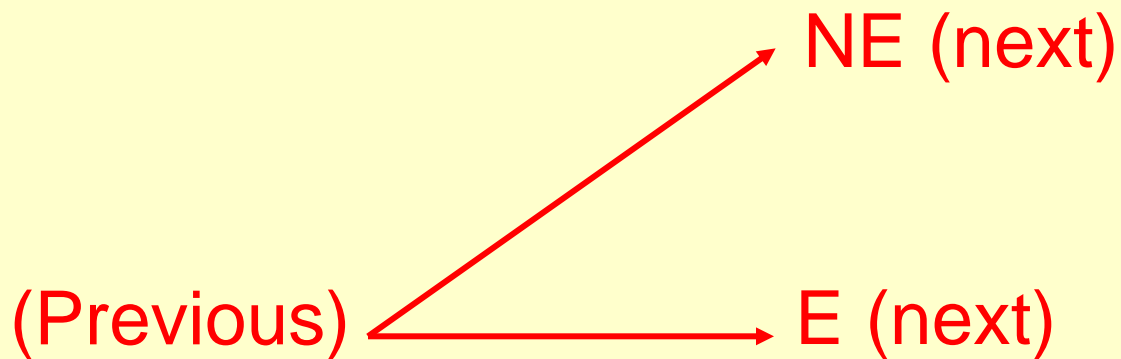
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# Key to Bresenham Algorithm

“Reasonable assumptions” have reduced the problem to making a binary choice at each pixel:

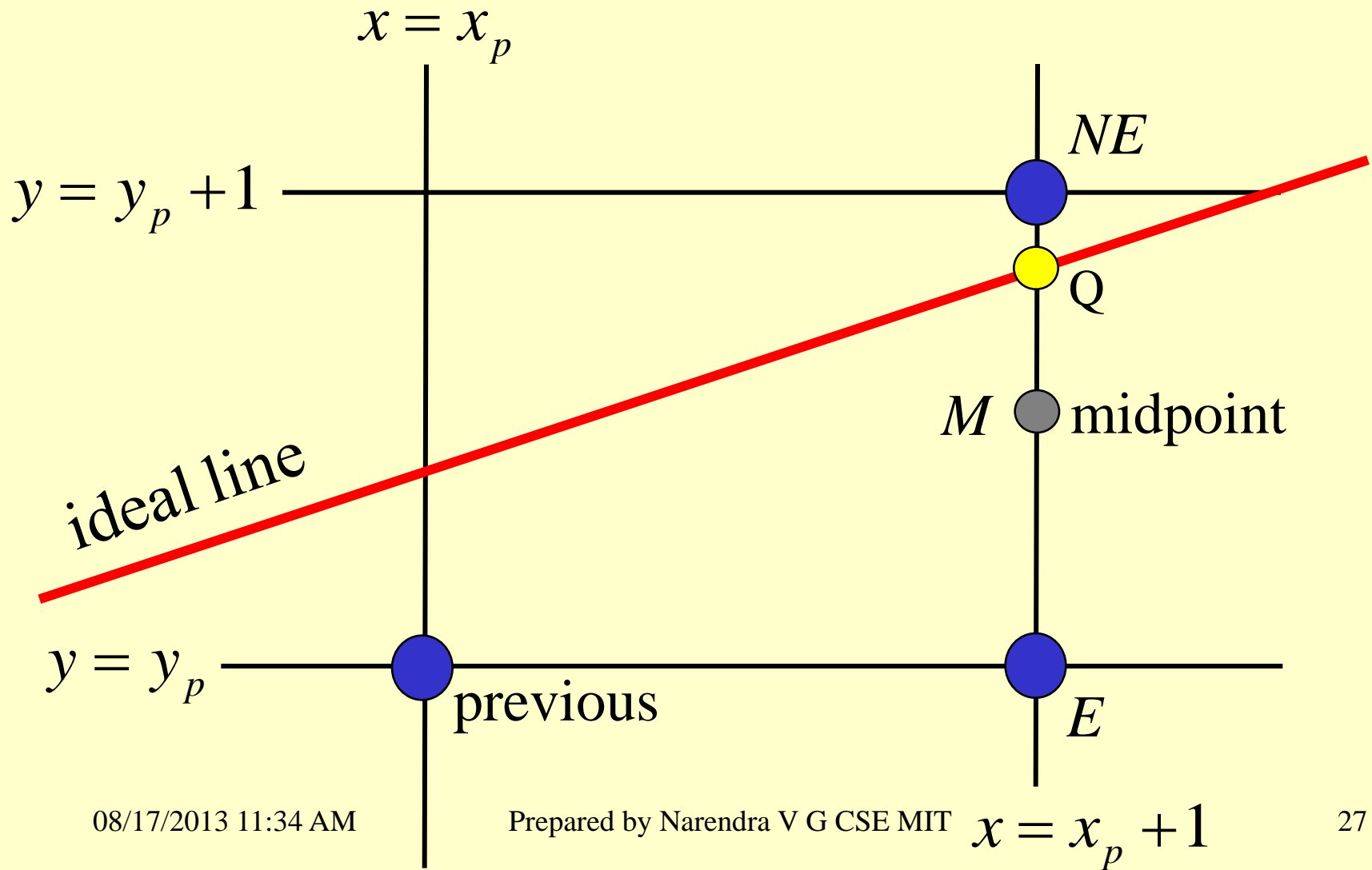


# Decision Variable $d$ (logical)

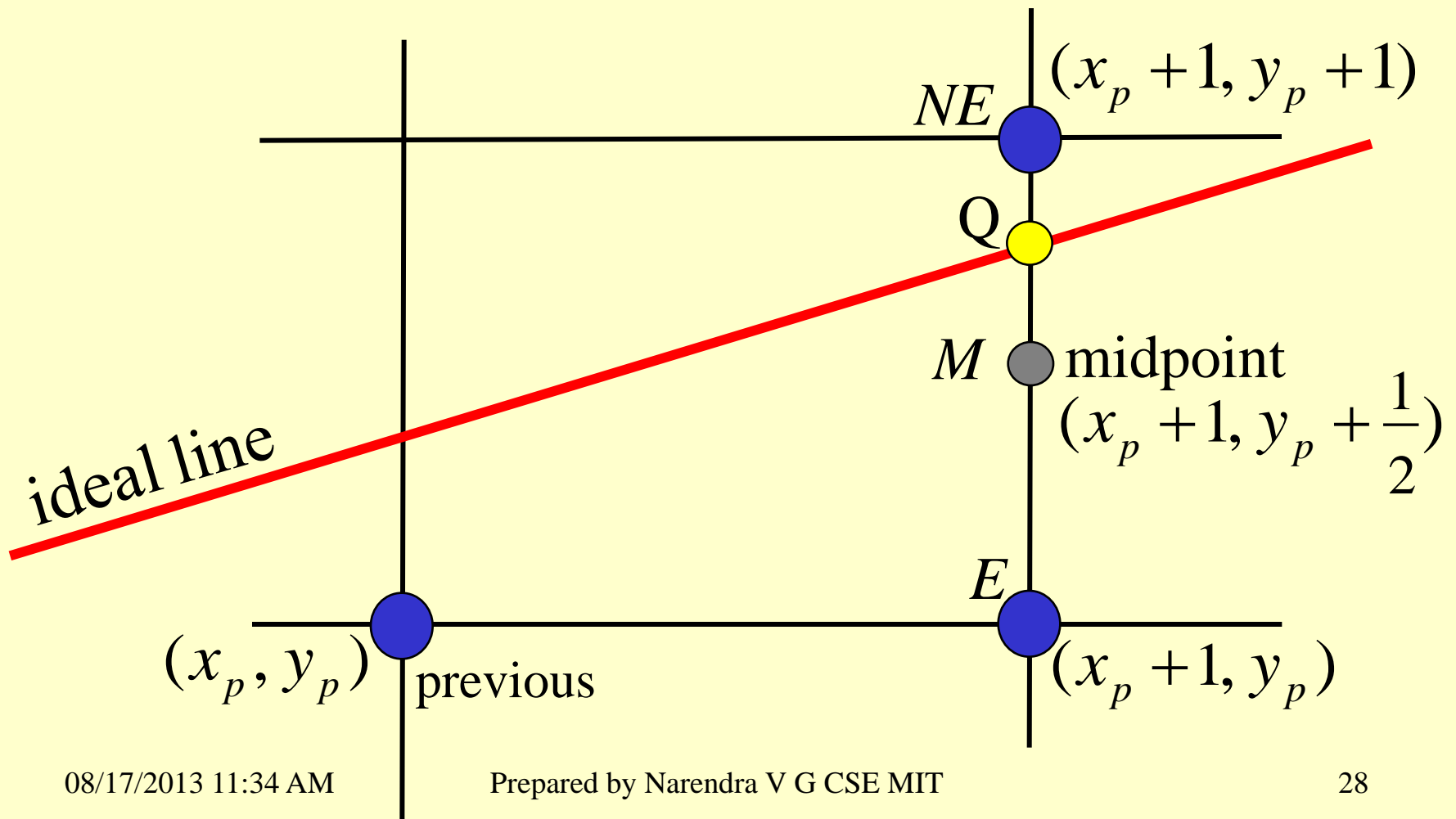
Define a logical *decision* variable  $d$

- linear in form
- incrementally updated (with addition)
- tells us whether to go  $E$  or  $NE$

# The Picture



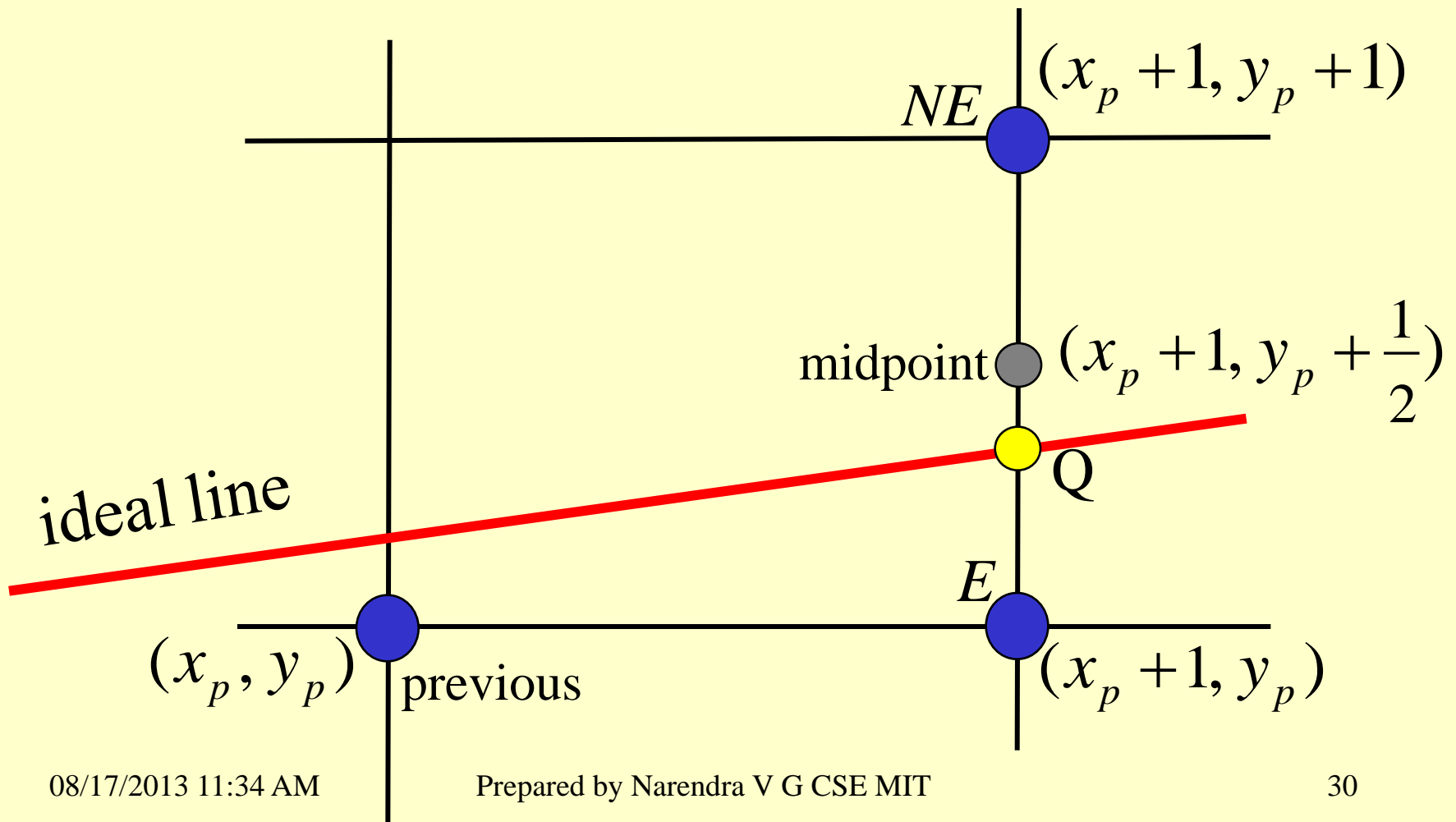
# The Picture (again)



# Observe the relationships

- Suppose  $Q$  is above  $M$ , as before.
- Then  $F(M) > 0$ ,  $M$  is below the line
- So,  $F(M) > 0$  means line is above  $M$ ,
- Need to move  $NE$ , *increase*  $y$  value

# The Picture (again)



# Observe the relationships

- Suppose  $Q$  is below  $M$ , as before.
- Then  $F(M) < 0$  , implies  $M$  is *above* the line
- So,  $F(M) < 0$  , means line is below  $M$ ,
- Need to move to  $E$ ; *don't increase  $y$*

$$\underline{M = \text{Midpoint} = (x_p + 1, y_p + \frac{1}{2})}$$

- Want to evaluate at  $M$
- Will use an incr *decision* var  $d$
- Let,  $d = F(x_p + 1, y_p + \frac{1}{2})$

$$d = a(x_p + 1) + b(y_p + \frac{1}{2}) + c$$



# How will $d$ be used?

Recall,  $d = a(x_p + 1) + b(y_p + \frac{1}{2}) + c$

Therefore,

$$d = \begin{cases} > 0 & \Rightarrow NE & \text{(midpoint below ideal line)} \\ < 0 & \Rightarrow E & \text{(midpoint above ideal line)} \\ = 0 & \Rightarrow E & \text{(arbitrary)} \end{cases}$$

# Case 1: Suppose E is chosen

- Recall  $d_{old} = a(x_p + 1) + b(y_p + \frac{1}{2}) + c$
- $E \Rightarrow: \quad x \leftarrow x + 1; \quad y \leftarrow y,$
- $\therefore \dots d_{new} = F(x_p + 2, y_p + \frac{1}{2})$   
$$= a(x_p + 2) + b(y_p + \frac{1}{2}) + c$$

# Case 1: Suppose E is chosen

$$d_{new} - d_{old} = \left( a(x_p + 2) + b(y_p + \frac{1}{2}) + c \right) \\ - \left( a(x_p + 1) + b(y_p + \frac{1}{2}) + c \right)$$

$$d_{new} = d_{old} + a$$

# Review of Explicit to Implicit

Recall,  $\frac{dy}{dx}x - y + B = 0$

Or,  $(dy)x + (-dx)y + (dx)B = 0$

$\therefore F(x, y) = (dy)x + (-dx)y + (dx)B = 0$

where,  $a = (dy); \quad b = -(dx); \quad c = B(dx)$

# Case 1: $d_{new} = d_{old} + a$

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$\Delta_E \equiv$  increment we add if  $E$  is chosen.

So,  $\Delta_E = a$ . But remember that

$a = dy$  (from line equations).

Hence,  $F(M)$  is not evaluated explicitly.

We simply add  $\Delta_E = a$  to update  $d$  for  $E$

## Case 2: Suppose $NE$ chosen

Recall  $d_{old} = a(x_p + 1) + b(y_p + \frac{1}{2}) + c$

and,  $NE \Rightarrow: x \leftarrow x + 1; \quad y \leftarrow y + 1,$

$$\therefore d_{new} = F(x_p + 2, y_p + \frac{3}{2})$$

$$= a(x_p + 2) + b(y_p + \frac{3}{2}) + c$$

## Case 2: Suppose $NE$

$$\begin{aligned}d_{new} - d_{old} &= \\&= \left( a(x_p + 2) + b(y_p + \frac{3}{2}) + c \right) \\&\quad - \left( a(x_p + 1) + b(y_p + \frac{1}{2}) + c \right)\end{aligned}$$

$$d_{new} = d_{old} + a + b$$

# Case 2: $d_{new} = d_{old} + a + b$

$\Delta_{NE} \equiv$  increment that we add if  $NE$  is chosen.

So,  $\Delta_{NE} = a + b$ . But remember that

$a = dy$ , and  $b = -dx$  (from line equations).

Hence,  $F(M)$  is not evaluated explicitly.

We simply add  $\Delta_{NE} = a + b$  to update  $d$  for  $NE$



Case 2:  $d_{new} = d_{old} + a + b$  .

$\Delta_{NE} = a + b$ , where  $a = dy$ , and  $b = -dx$

means, we simply add  $\Delta_{NE} = a + b$ , i.e.,

$\Delta_{NE} = dy - dx$  to update  $d$  for  $NE$ .

# Summary

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- At each step of the procedure, we must choose between moving  $E$  or  $NE$  based on the sign of the decision variable  $d$
- Then update according to

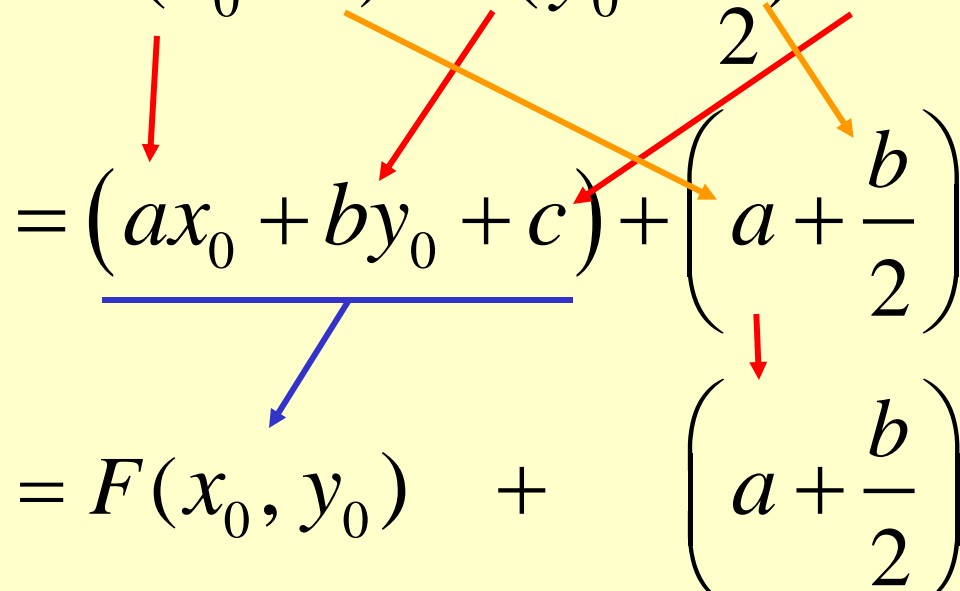
$$d \leftarrow \begin{cases} d + \Delta_E, & \text{where } \Delta_E = dy, \text{ or} \\ d + \Delta_{NE}, & \text{where } \Delta_{NE} = dy - dx \end{cases}$$

# What is initial value of $d$ ?

- First point is  $(x_0, y_0)$
- First midpoint is  $(x_0 + 1, y_0 + \frac{1}{2})$
- What is initial midpoint value?

$$d(x_0 + 1, y_0 + \frac{1}{2}) = F(x_0 + 1, y_0 + \frac{1}{2})$$

# What is initial value of $d$ ?

$$\begin{aligned} F(x_0 + 1, y_0 + \frac{1}{2}) &= a(x_0 + 1) + b(y_0 + \frac{1}{2}) + c \\ &= \underbrace{(ax_0 + by_0 + c)}_{F(x_0, y_0)} + \left( a + \frac{b}{2} \right) \\ &= F(x_0, y_0) + \left( a + \frac{b}{2} \right) \end{aligned}$$


# What is initial value of $d$ ?

Note,  $F(x_0, y_0) = 0$ , since  $(x_0, y_0)$  is on line.

Hence,

$$F\left(x_0 + 1, y_0 + \frac{1}{2}\right) = 0 + a + \frac{b}{2}$$
$$= (dy) - \left(\frac{dx}{2}\right)$$

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# What Does “2 x ” Do ?

- Has the same 0-set

$$2F(x, y) = 2(ax + by + c) = 0$$

- Changes the slope of the plane
- Rotates plane about the 0-set line

# What is initial value of $d$ ?

Multiplying  $F(x_0 + 1, y_0 + \frac{1}{2}) = (dy) - \left(\frac{dx}{2}\right)$

by 2 gives,

$$2F(x_0 + 1, y_0 + \frac{1}{2}) = 2(dy) - dx$$



# What is initial value of $d$ ?

$$2F(x, y) = 2(ax + by + c) = 0$$

So, first value of

$$d = 2(dy) - (dx)$$

# More Summary

- Initial value  $2(dy) - (dx)$
- Case 1:  $d \leftarrow d + \Delta_E$ , where  $\Delta_E = 2(dy)$
- Case 2:  $d \leftarrow d + \Delta_{NE}$ ,  
where  $\Delta_{NE} = 2\{(dy) - (dx)\}$

# More Summary

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Choose  $\begin{cases} E & \text{if } d \leq 0 \\ NE & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$

# Example

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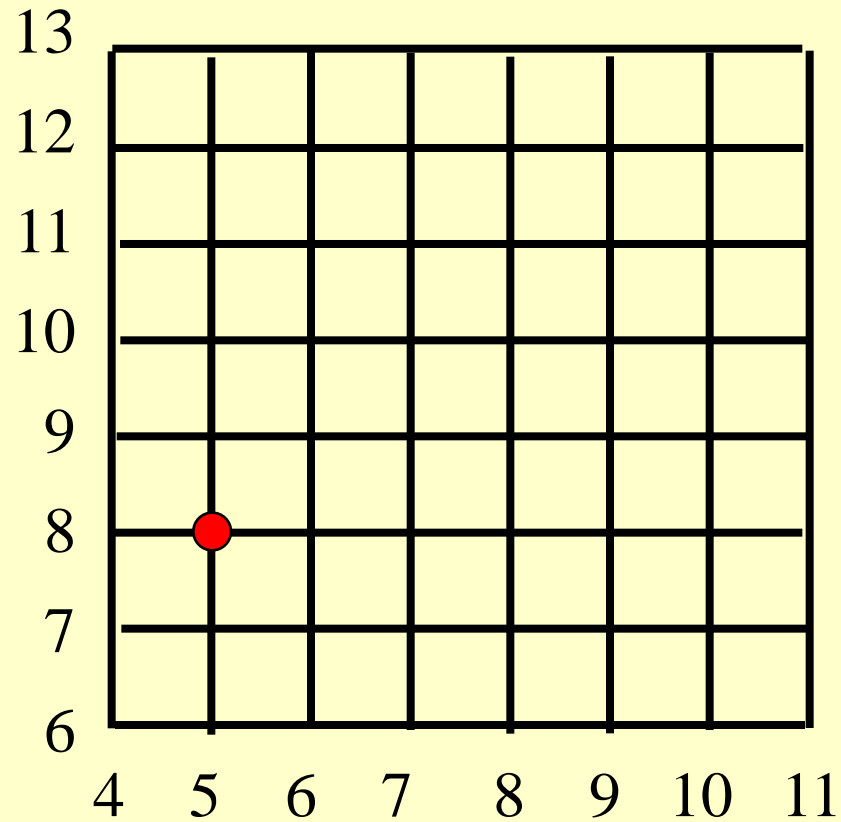
- Line end points:

$$(x_0, y_0) = (5, 8); \quad (x_1, y_1) = (9, 11)$$

- Deltas:  $dx = 4; dy = 3$

# Graph

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# Example ( $dx = 4; dy = 3$

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$$dx = 4; dy = 3$$

- Initial value of

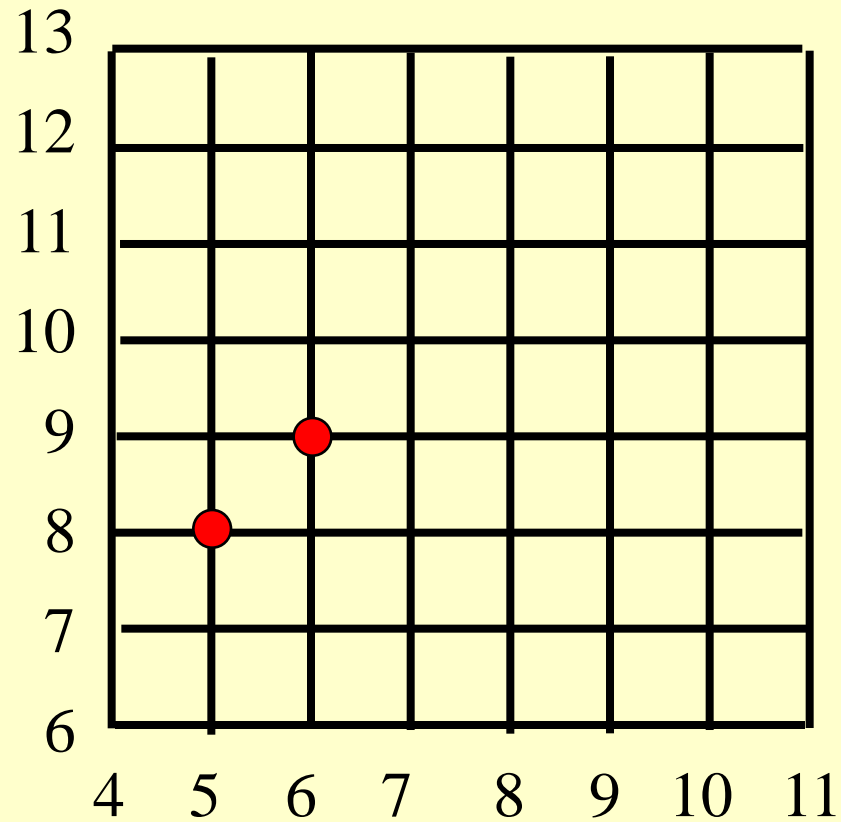
$$d(5,8) = 2(2y) - (dx)$$

$$= 6 - 4 = 2 > 0$$

$$d = 2 \Rightarrow NE$$

# Graph

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## Example ( $dx=4$ ; $dy=3$ )

- Update value of  $d$
- Last move was  $NE$ , so

$$2d(6,9) = 2(dy-dx)$$

$$= 2(3 - 4) = -2$$

$$d = 2 - 2 = 0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad E$$



## Example ( $dx=4$ ; $dy=3$ ) -2

- Update value of  $d$
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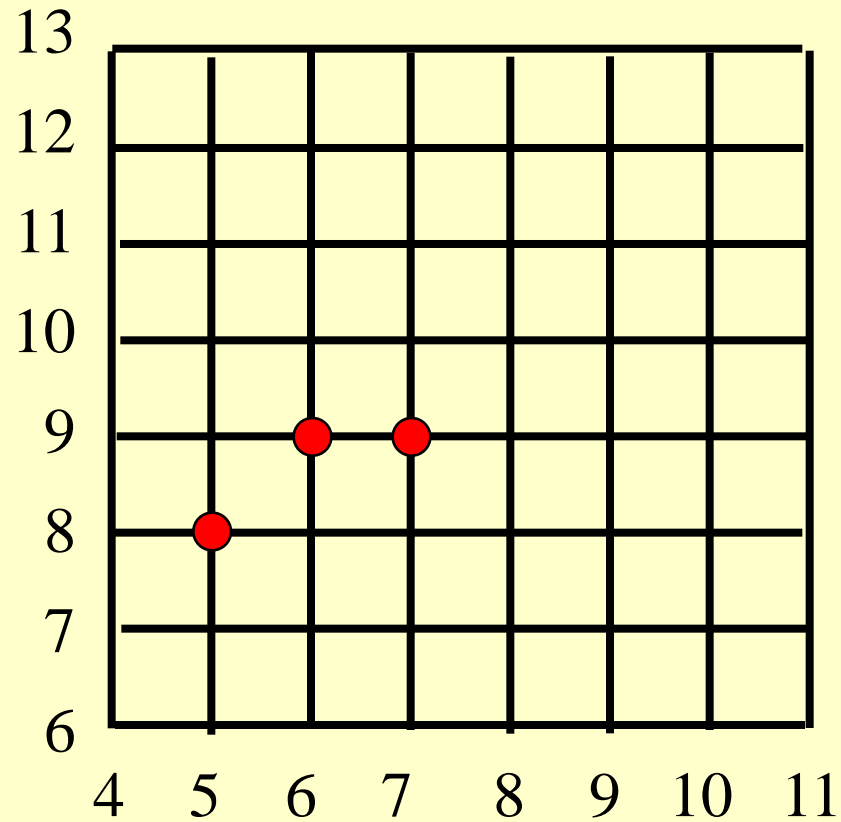
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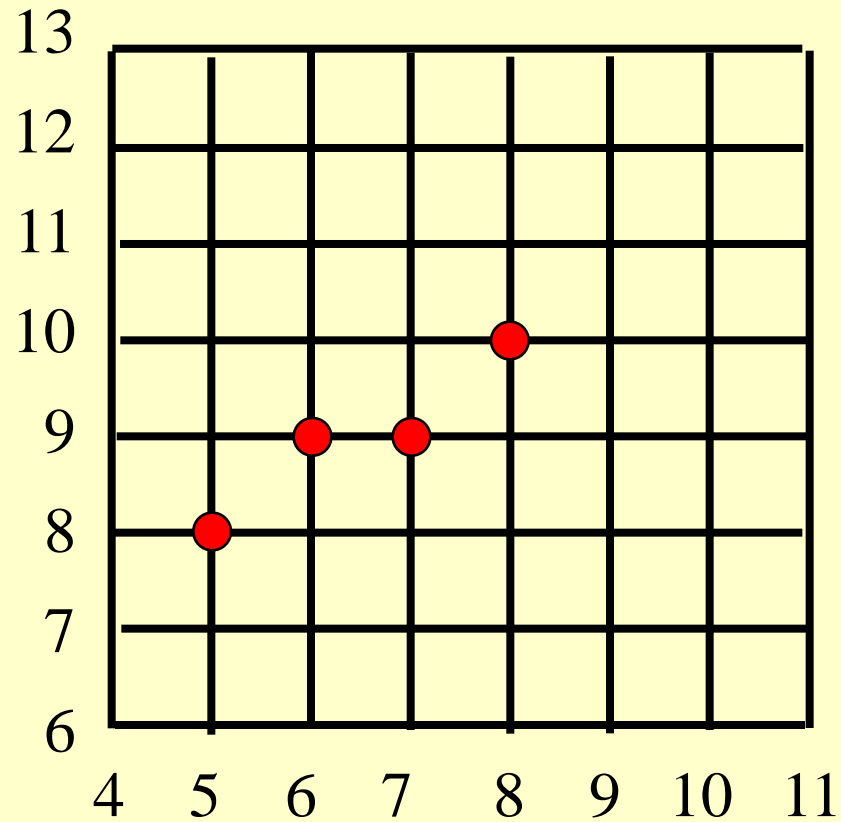
- Previous move was  $E$

$$\begin{aligned}d(7,9) &= 2(dy) \\ &= 2(3) = 6\end{aligned}$$

$$d = 0 + 6 > 0 \Rightarrow NE$$

# Graph

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# Example ( $dx=4$ ; $dy=3$ )

- Previous move was  $NE$ , so

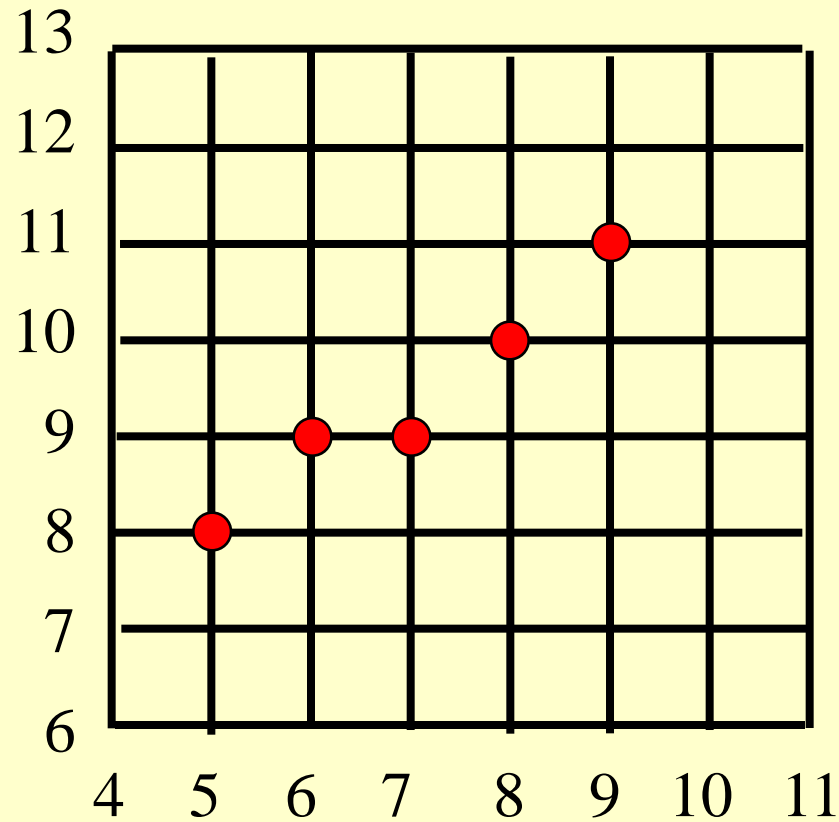
$$2d(8,10) = 2(dy - dx)$$

$$= 2(3 - 4) = -2$$

$$d = 6 - 2 = 4 \quad \Rightarrow \quad NE$$

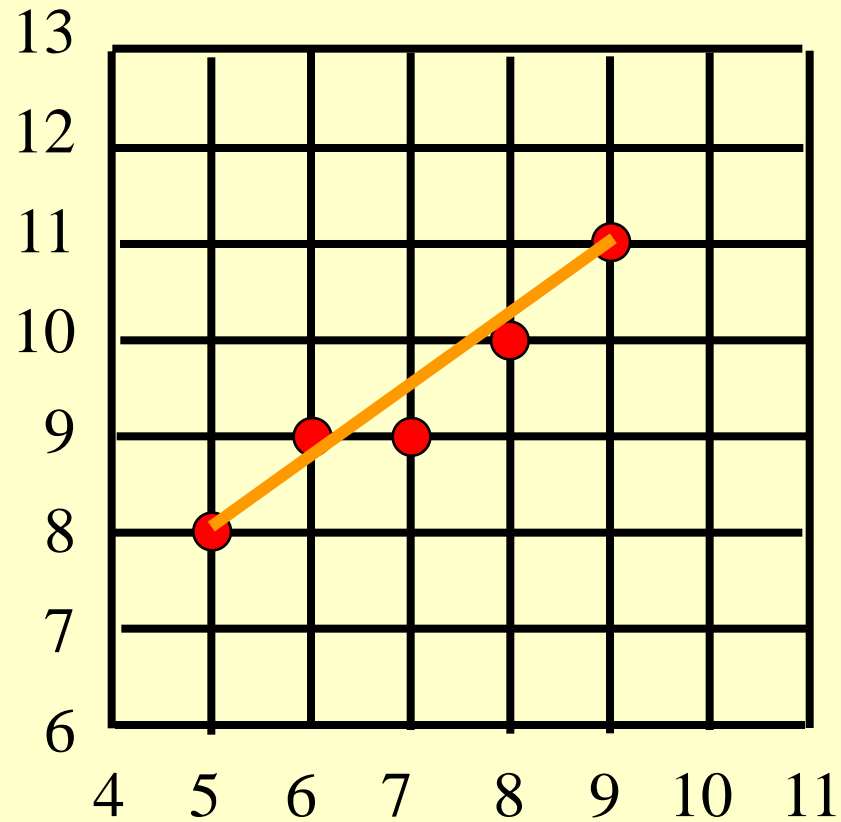
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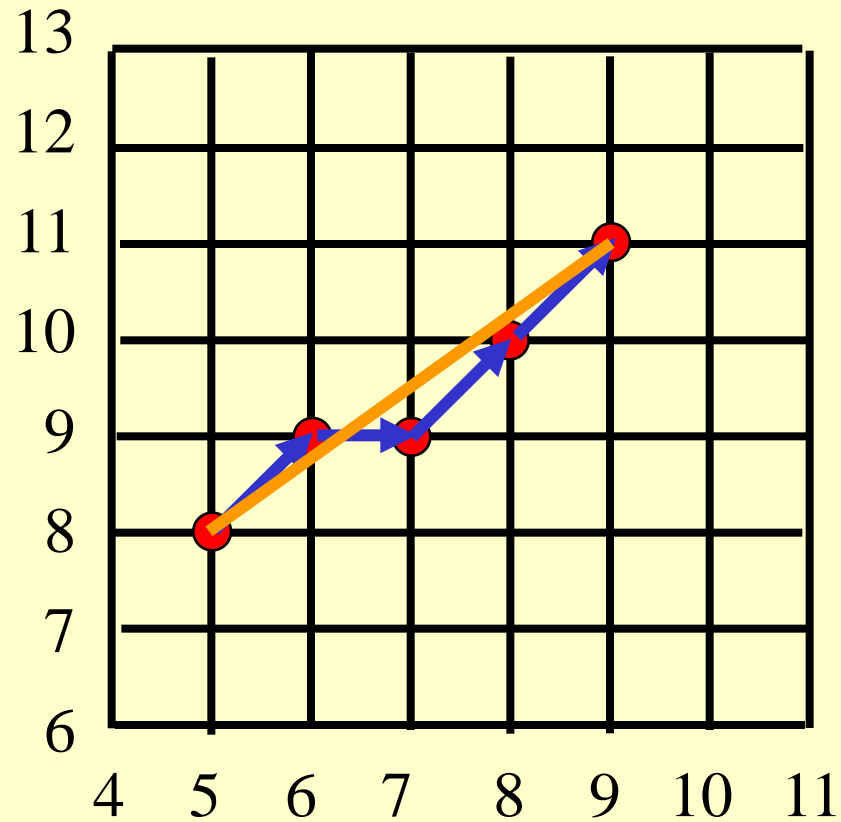


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# Midpoint Algorithm: The Code

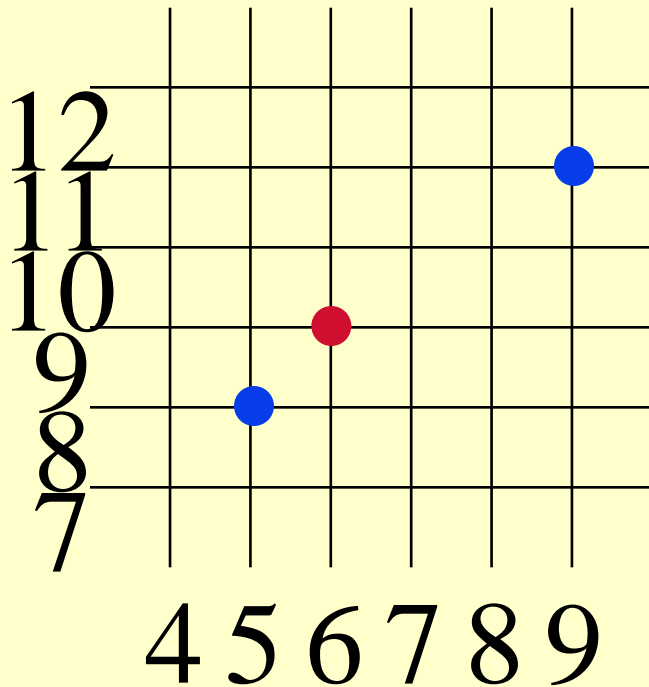
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void MidpointLine(int x0, int y0, int xn, int yn)
{
    int dx,dy,incrE,incrNE,d,x,y;
    dx=xn-x0;
    dy=yn-y0;
    d=2*dy-dx;    /* initial value of d */
    incrE=2*dy;    /* decision funct incr for E */
    incrNE=2*dy-2*dx; /* decision funct incr for NE */
    x=x0;
    y=y0;
    DrawPixel(x,y)    /* draw the first pixel */
    while (x<xn){
        if (d<=0){    /* choose E */
            d+=incrE;
            x++;        /* move E */
        }else{        /* choose NE */
            d+=incrNE;
            x++;
            y++;        /* move NE */
        }
        DrawPixel (x,y);
    }
}
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# Midpoint Algorithm

## An example

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$$(x_0, y_0) = (5, 8)$$

$$(x_4, y_4) = (9, 11)$$

$$\Delta x = 4$$

$$\Delta y = 3$$

$$incrE = 2\Delta y = 6$$

$$incrNE = 2(\Delta y - \Delta x) = -2$$

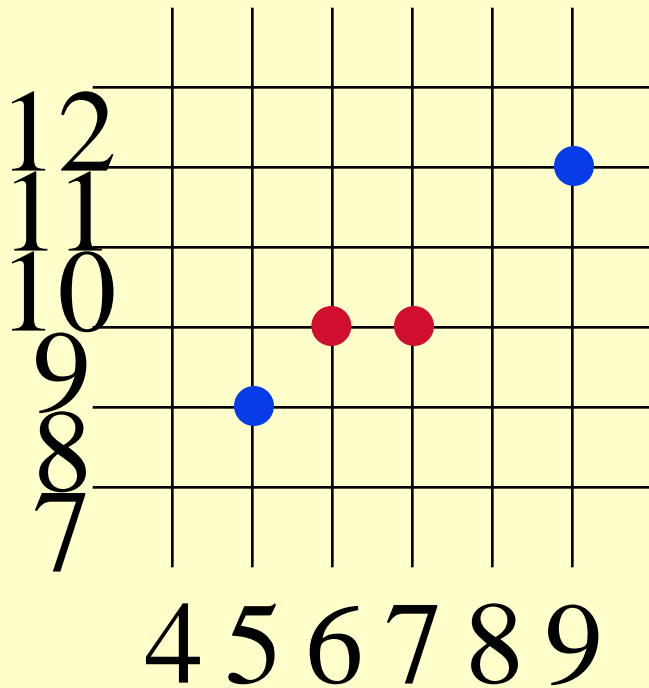
$$d_0 = 2\Delta y - \Delta x = 2$$

$\therefore$  first choice is NE

# Midpoint Algorithm

## An example

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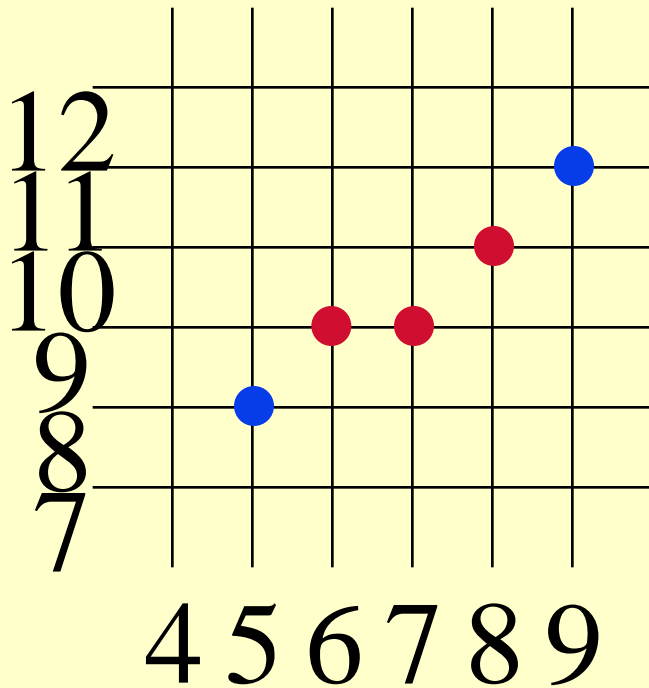
$$d_1 = d_0 + incrNE = 2 - 2 = 0$$

$\therefore$  second choice is E

# Midpoint Algorithm

## An example

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$$d_2 = d_1 + incrE = 0 + 6 = 6$$

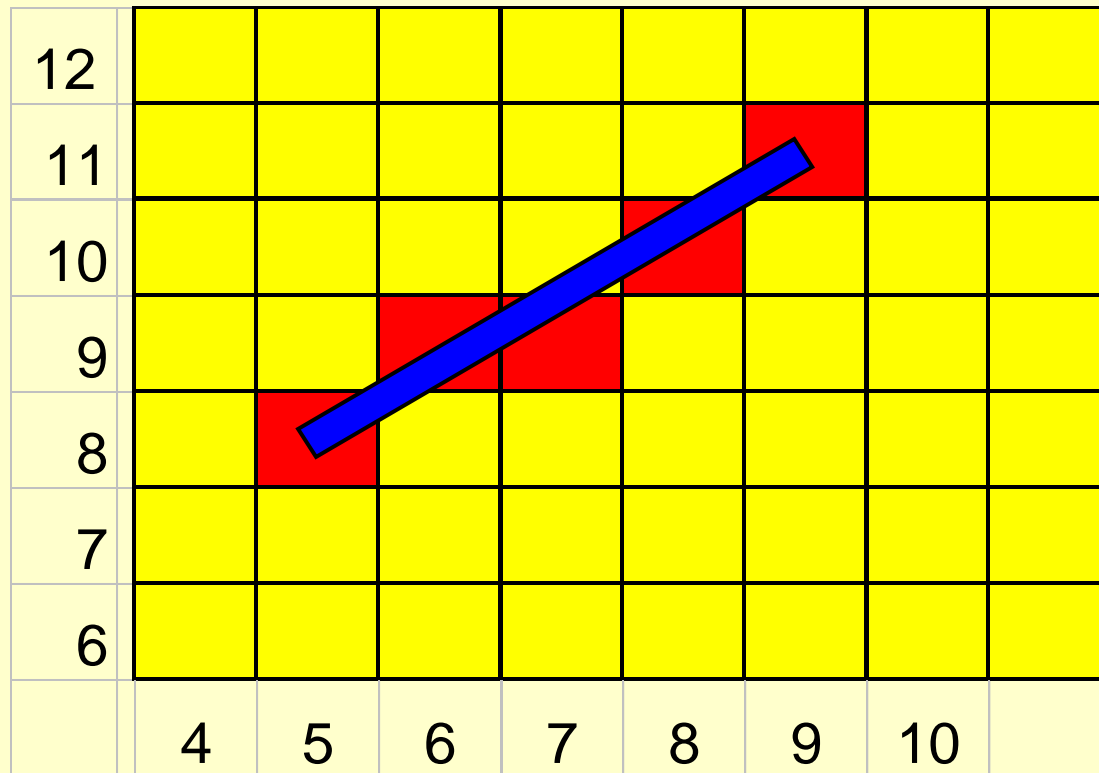
$\therefore$  third choice is NE

# More Raster Line Issues

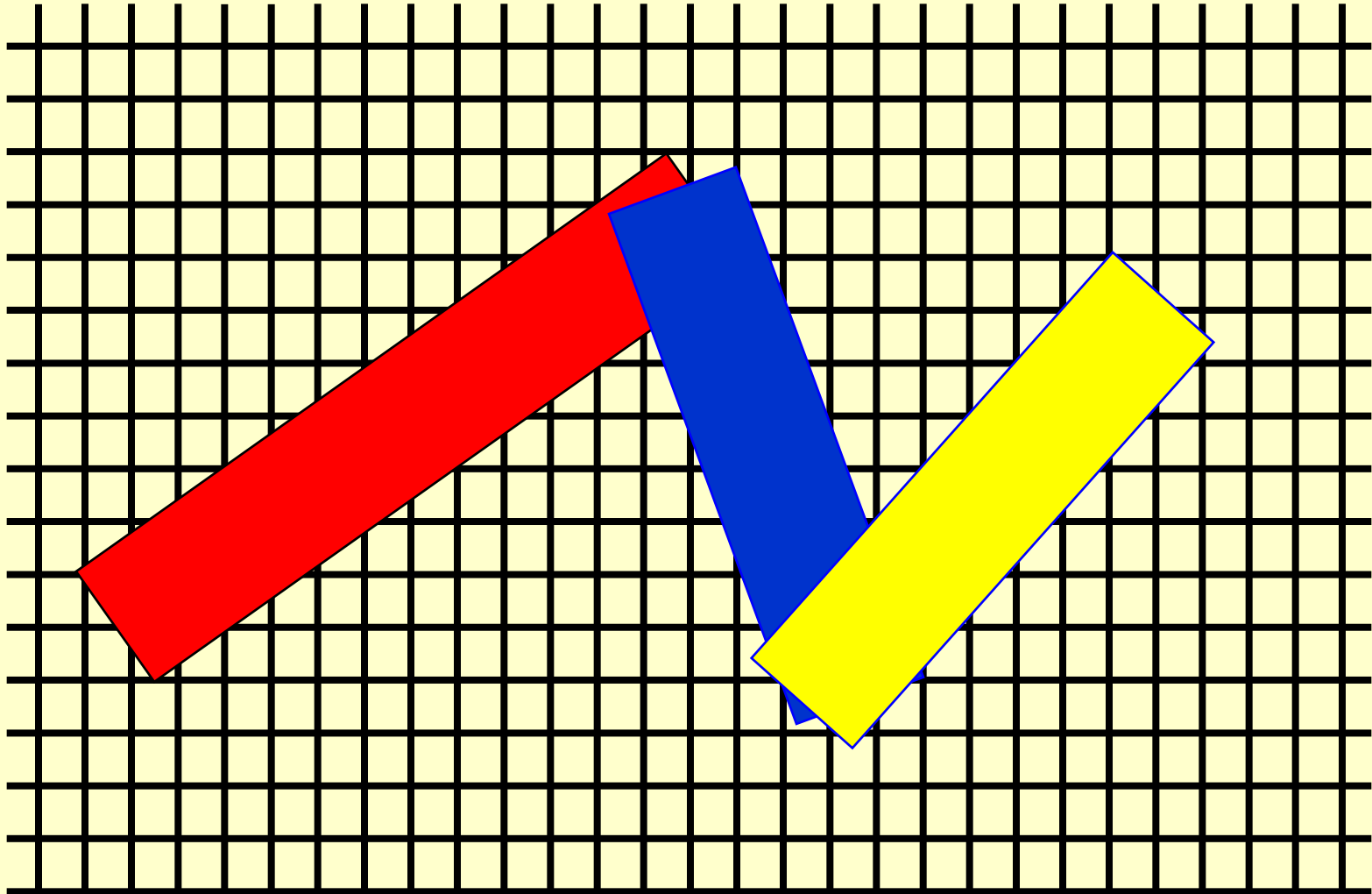
- Fat lines with multiple pixel width
- Symmetric lines
- How should end pt geometry look?
- Generating curves, e.g., circles, etc.
- Jaggies, staircase effect, aliasing...

# Pixel Space

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# Example



# Example

