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Lab 11: Line clipping Algorithm

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Introduction

Line clipping is the process of removing lines or portions of lines outside of an area of interest. Typically, any line or part thereof which is outside of the viewing area is removed.

There are two common algorithms for line clipping: Cohen–Sutherland and Liang–Barsky.

A line clipping method consists of various parts first we can test a given line segment to find out whether it lies entirely outside the window finally if we cannot recognize a line as entirely inside or outside the window. We must do intersection calculations with one or more clipping boundaries.

We process lines inside/outside test by checking the line endpoints. A line with both endpoints inside all clipping boundaries such as the line from inside the box is saved a line with both endpoints outside one of the clipping boundaries is outside the window all other lines cross one or more clipping boundaries and may need calculations of multiple intersection points.

Objective

Objective of this lab is to understand and implement line clipping algorithm.

Tools/Software Requirement

Description

Concept

It is desirable to restrict the effect of graphics primitives to a subregion of the canvas, to protect other portions of the canvas. All primitives are clipped to the boundaries of this **clipping rectangle**; that is, primitives lying outside the clip rectangle are not drawn.

The default clipping rectangle is the full canvas (the screen), and it is obvious that we cannot see any graphics primitives outside the screen.

Line Clipping

This section treats clipping of lines against rectangles. Although there are specialized algorithms for rectangle and polygon clipping, it is important to note that other graphic primitives can be clipped by repeated application of the line clipper.

1. Clipping Individual Points

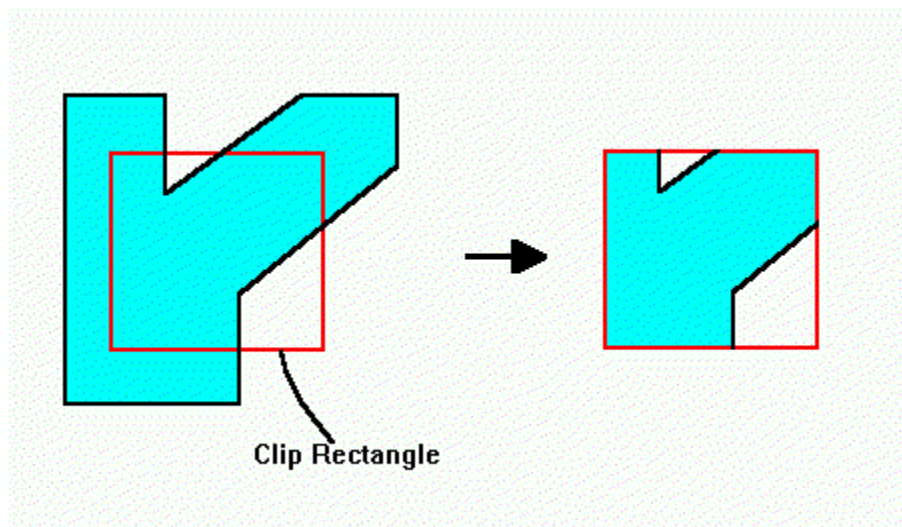


Before we discuss clipping lines, let's look at the simpler problem of clipping individual points.

If the x coordinate boundaries of the clipping rectangle are X_{min} and X_{max} , and the y coordinate boundaries are Y_{min} and Y_{max} , then the following inequalities must be satisfied for a point at (X,Y) to be inside the clipping rectangle:

$$X_{min} < X < X_{max}$$
$$\text{and } Y_{min} < Y < Y_{max}$$

If any of the four inequalities does not hold, the point is outside the clipping rectangle.



Lab Task

Create a program that takes a clip window and a line as arguments and using Line Clipping Algorithm, outputs a clipped line.

Deliverable

Upload your code with snap shots of the output.