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Rasterization

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Important Graphics Output Primitives



- in 2D
 - ◆ points, lines
 - ◆ polygons, circles, ellipses & other curves (also filled)
 - ◆ pixel array operations
 - ◆ characters
- in 3D
 - ◆ triangles & other polygons
 - ◆ free form surfaces
- + commands for properties: color, texture, ...



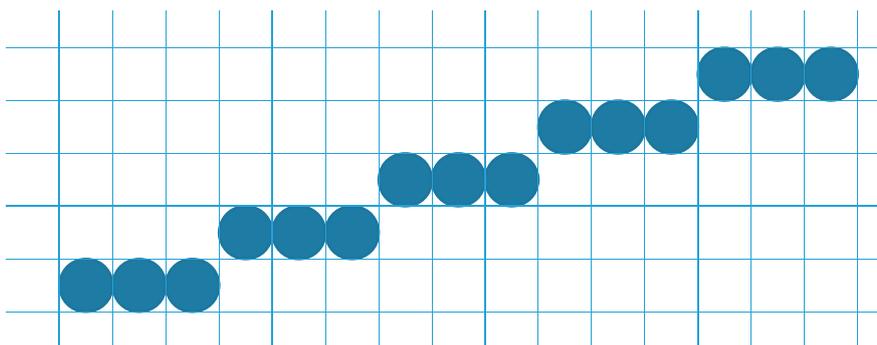
Points and Lines



- point plotting
 - ◆ instruction in display list (random scan)
 - ◆ entry in frame buffer (raster scan)
- line drawing
 - ◆ instruction in display list (random scan)
 - ◆ intermediate discrete pixel positions calculated (raster scan)
 - “jaggies”, aliasing



Lines: Staircase Effect



Stairstep effect (jaggies) produced when a line is generated as a series of pixel positions



Line-Drawing Algorithms

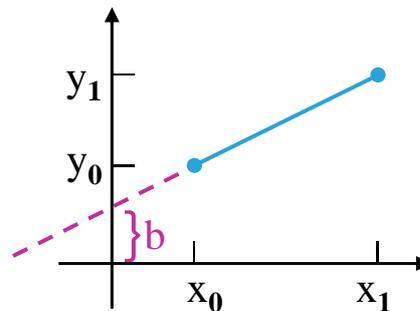


line equation: $y = m \cdot x + b$

line path between
two points:

$$m = \frac{y_1 - y_0}{x_1 - x_0}$$

$$b = y_0 - m \cdot x_0$$



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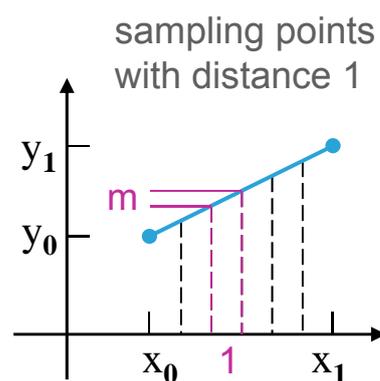
DDA Line-Drawing Algorithm



line equation: $y = m \cdot x + b$

$$\delta y = m \cdot \delta x \quad \text{for } |m| < 1$$

$$\left(\delta x = \frac{\delta y}{m} \quad \text{for } |m| > 1 \right)$$



■ DDA (digital differential analyzer)

$$\text{for } \delta x = 1, |m| < 1 : y_{k+1} = y_k + m$$

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DDA – Algorithm Principle



```
dx = x1 - x0; dy = y1 - y0;  
m = dy / dx;  
  
x = x0; y = y0;  
drawPixel (round(x), round(y));  
  
for (k = 0; k < dx; k++)  
  { x += 1; y += m;  
    drawPixel (round(x), round(y)) }
```

extension to other cases simple

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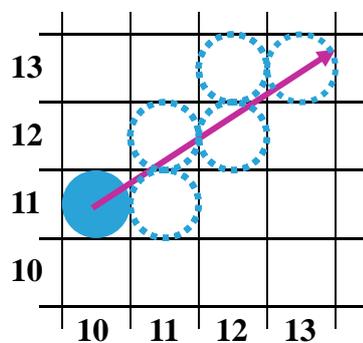


Bresenham's Line Algorithm



- faster than simple DDA
 - ◆ incremental integer calculations
 - ◆ adaptable to circles, other curves

$$y = m \cdot (x_k + 1) + b$$



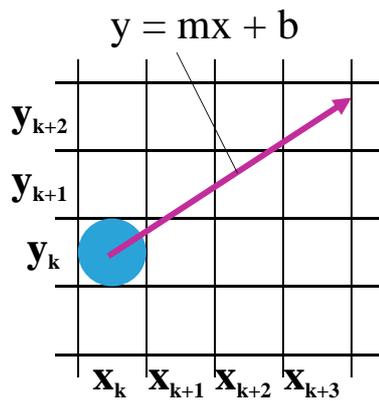
for every column it is decided which of the two candidate pixels is selected

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Bresenham's Line Algorithm



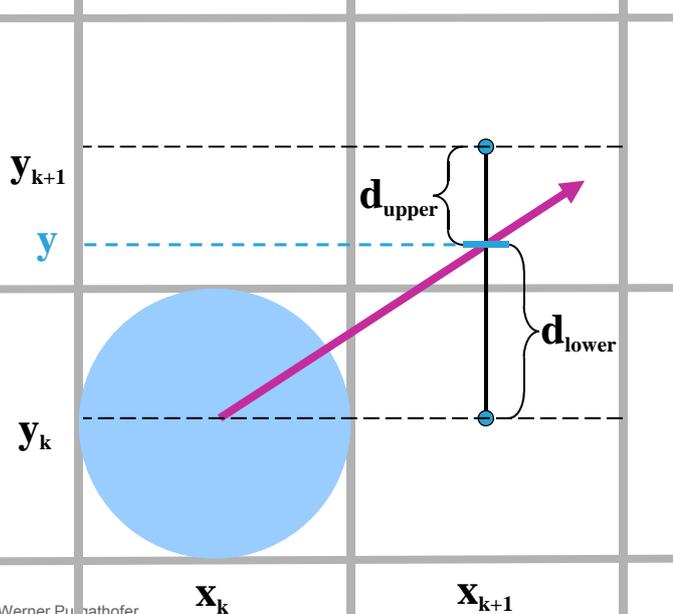
section of the screen grid showing a pixel in column x_k on scan line y_k that is to be plotted along the path of a line segment with slope $0 < m < 1$

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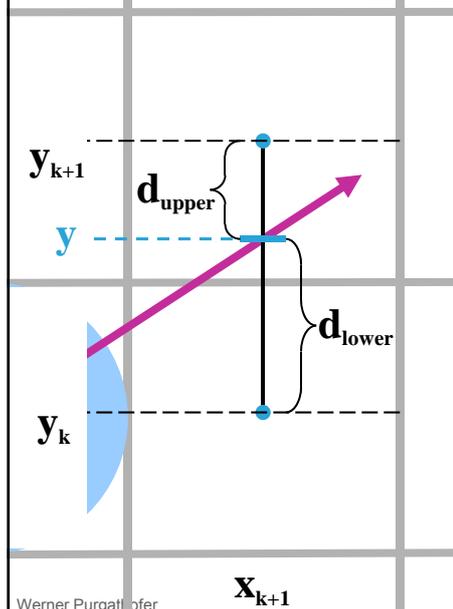
Bresenham's Line Algorithm (1/4)



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Bresenham's Line Algorithm (1/4)



$$y = m \cdot (x_k + 1) + b$$

$$d_{\text{lower}} = y - y_k = m \cdot (x_k + 1) + b - y_k$$

$$d_{\text{upper}} = (y_k + 1) - y = y_k + 1 - m \cdot (x_k + 1) - b$$

$$d_{\text{lower}} - d_{\text{upper}} = 2m \cdot (x_k + 1) - 2y_k + 2b - 1$$

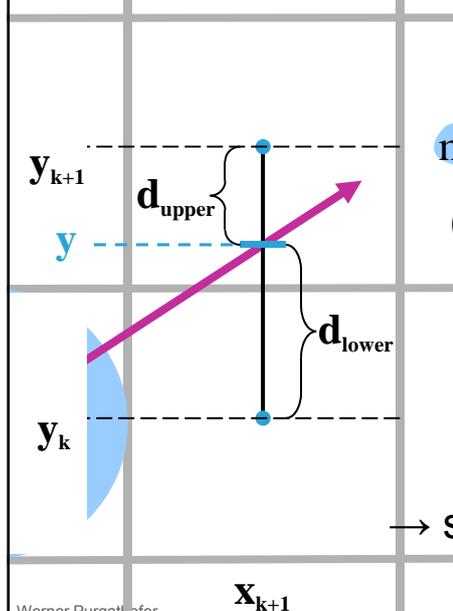
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x_{k+1}

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Bresenham's Line Algorithm (2/4)



$$d_{\text{lower}} - d_{\text{upper}} = 2m \cdot (x_k + 1) - 2y_k + 2b - 1$$

$$m = \Delta y / \Delta x$$

$$(\Delta x = x_1 - x_0, \Delta y = y_1 - y_0)$$

decision parameter:

$$p_k = \Delta x \cdot (d_{\text{lower}} - d_{\text{upper}}) = 2\Delta y \cdot x_k - 2\Delta x \cdot y_k + c$$

→ same sign as $(d_{\text{lower}} - d_{\text{upper}})$

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x_{k+1}

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Bresenham's Line Algorithm (3/4)



current decision value:

$$p_k = \Delta x \cdot (d_{\text{lower}} - d_{\text{upper}}) = 2\Delta y \cdot x_k - 2\Delta x \cdot y_k + c$$

next decision value:

$$\begin{aligned} p_{k+1} &= 2\Delta y \cdot x_{k+1} - 2\Delta x \cdot y_{k+1} + c + 0 \\ &\quad + p_k - 2\Delta y \cdot x_k + 2\Delta x \cdot y_k - c = \\ &= p_k + 2\Delta y - 2\Delta x \cdot (y_{k+1} - y_k) \end{aligned}$$



Bresenham's Line Algorithm (3/4)



current decision value:

$$p_k = \Delta x \cdot (d_{\text{lower}} - d_{\text{upper}}) = 2\Delta y \cdot x_k - 2\Delta x \cdot y_k + c$$

next decision value:

$$p_{k+1} = p_k + 2\Delta y - 2\Delta x \cdot (y_{k+1} - y_k)$$

starting decision value:

$$p_0 = 2\Delta y - \Delta x$$



Bresenham's Line Algorithm (4/4)



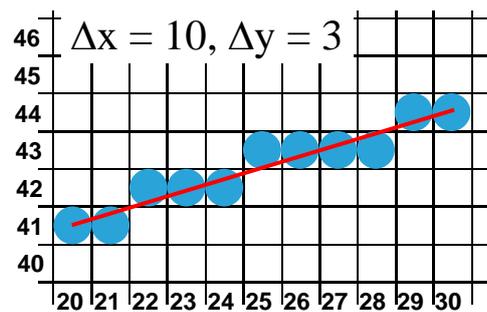
1. store left line endpoint in (x_0, y_0)
2. draw pixel (x_0, y_0)
3. calculate constants Δx , Δy , $2\Delta y$, $2\Delta y - 2\Delta x$,
and obtain $p_0 = 2\Delta y - \Delta x$
4. At each x_k along the line, perform test:
if $p_k < 0$
then draw pixel (x_{k+1}, y_k) ; $p_{k+1} = p_k + 2\Delta y$
else draw pixel (x_{k+1}, y_{k+1}) ; $p_{k+1} = p_k + 2\Delta y - 2\Delta x$
5. perform step 4 $(\Delta x - 1)$ times.



Bresenham: Example



k	p_k	(x_{k+1}, y_{k+1})
		$(20, 41)$
0	-4	$(21, 41)$
1	2	$(22, 42)$
2	-12	$(23, 42)$
3	-6	$(24, 42)$
4	0	$(25, 43)$
5	-14	$(26, 43)$
6	-8	$(27, 43)$
7	-2	$(28, 43)$
8	4	$(29, 44)$
9	-10	$(30, 44)$



$$p_0 = 2\Delta y - \Delta x$$

if $p_k < 0$

then draw pixel (x_{k+1}, y_k) ;

$$p_{k+1} = p_k + 2\Delta y$$

else draw pixel (x_{k+1}, y_{k+1}) ;

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Attributes of Graphics Output Primitives



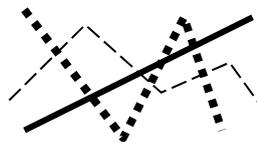
- in 2D
 - ◆ points, lines
 - ◆ characters
- in 2D and 3D
 - ◆ triangles
 - ◆ other polygons
 - ◆ ((filled) ellipses and other curves)



Points and Line Attributes



- color
- type: solid, dashed, dotted, ...
- width, line caps, corners
- pen and brush options
- ...



Character Attributes



■ text attributes

- ◆ font (e.g. Courier, Arial, Times, Roman, ...)
- ◆ styles (regular, **bold**, *italic*, underline,...)
- ◆ size (32 point, 1 point = 1/72 inch)
 - proportionally sized vs. fixed space fonts

■ string attributes

- ◆ orientation
- ◆ alignment (left, center, right, justify)

horizontal

slanted

vertical

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Character Primitives



■ font (typeface)

- ◆ design style for (family of) characters

■ Courier, Times, Arial, ...

- ◆ *serif* (better readable),
- ◆ *sans serif* (better legible)

Sfzrn
Sfzrn

■ definition model

- ◆ *bitmap font* (simple to define and display), needs more space (font cache)
- ◆ *outline font* (more costly, less space, geometric transformations)

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Example: Newspaper



Panorama



Nach 28 Jahren jetzt ein F Neuer Direktor Werkschulheim F

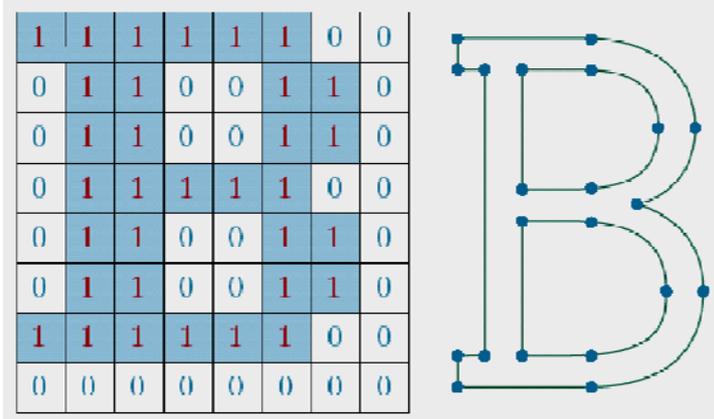
Hans Bigenzahl ist in den verdienten Ruhestand getreten, nachdem er 28 Jahre die Geschicke des Werkschulheims Felbertal in Ebenau geleitet hatte. Sein Nachfolger ist Winfried Kogelnik, seit 1985...

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Jahre im
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Character Generation Examples



the letter **B** represented with an 8x8 bilevel bitmap pattern and with an outline shape defined with straight line and curve segments

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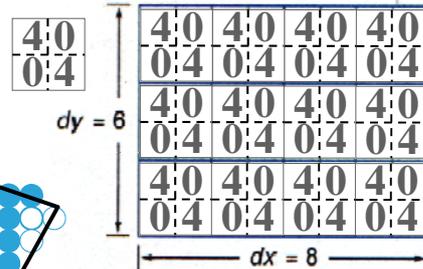
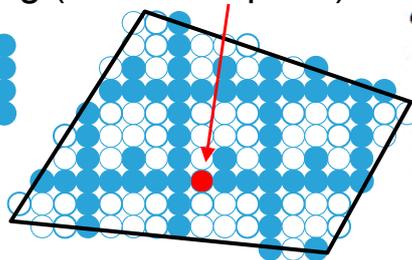
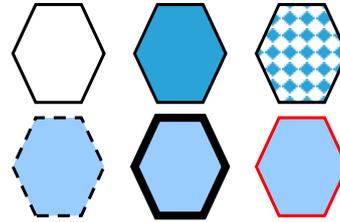
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Area-Fill Attributes (1)



- fill styles
 - ◆ hollow, solid fill, pattern fill
- fill options
 - ◆ edge type, width, color
- pattern specification
 - ◆ through pattern tables
 - ◆ tiling (reference point)



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Area-Fill Attributes (2)



- combination of fill pattern with background colors
- soft fill
 - ◆ combination of colors
 - ◆ antialiasing at object borders
 - ◆ semitransparent brush simulation
 - ◆ example: linear soft-fill



and



or



xor



replace



F...foreground color
B...background color

$$P = tF + (1 - t)B$$

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Triangle and Polygon Attributes



- color
- material
- transparency
- texture
- surface details
- reflexion properties, ...

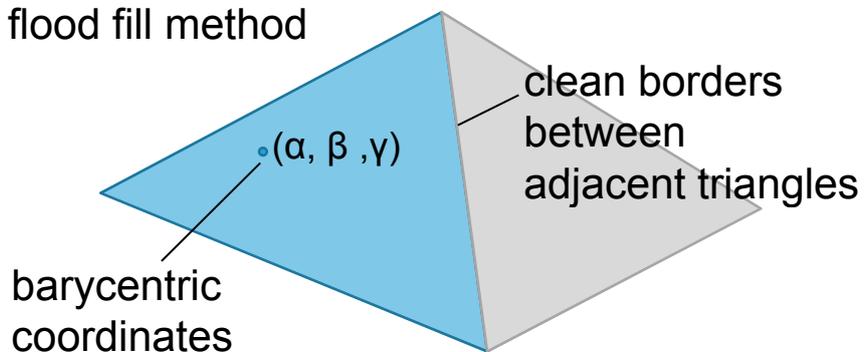
→ defined illumination produces effects



General Polygon Fill Algorithms



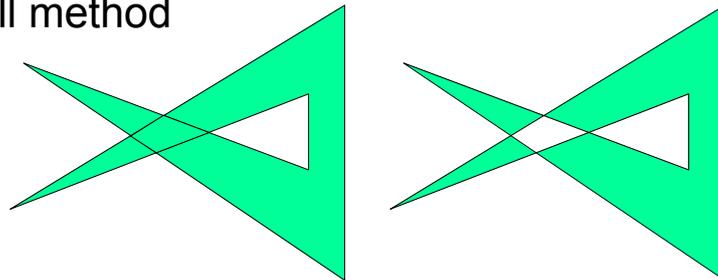
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- other polygons: what is inside?
- scan-line fill method
- flood fill method



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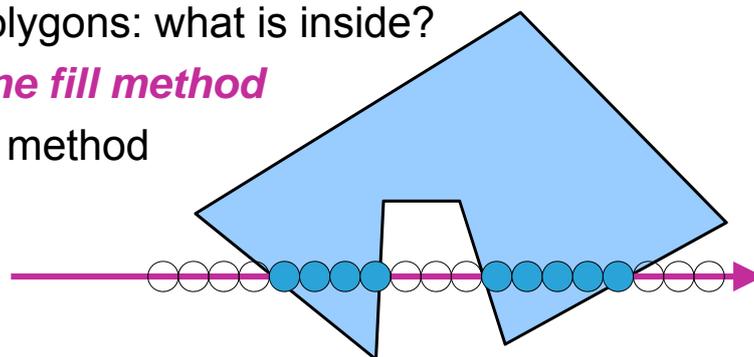
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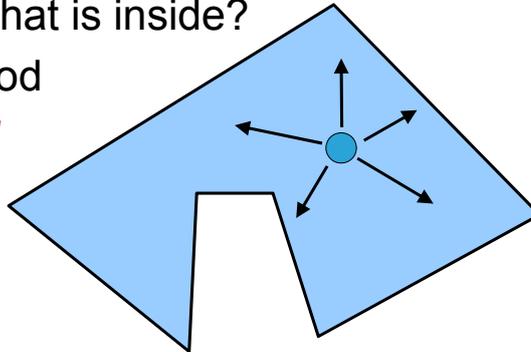
interior pixels along a scan line
passing through a polygon area



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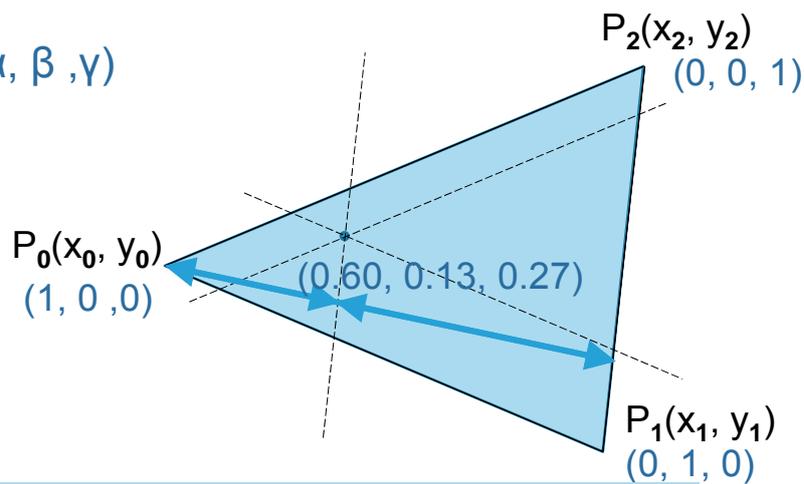
starting from a seed point fill until
you reach a border



Triangles: Barycentric Coordinates



- (α, β, γ)



$$P = \alpha P_0 + \beta P_1 + \gamma P_2$$

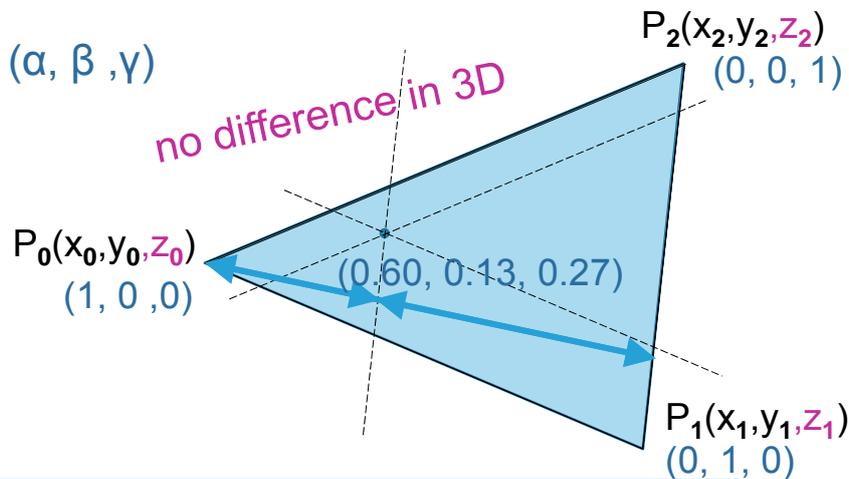
$$\text{triangle} = \{P \mid \alpha + \beta + \gamma = 1, 0 < \alpha < 1, 0 < \beta < 1, 0 < \gamma < 1\}$$



Barycentric Coordinates



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Triangle Rasterization Algorithm



```
for all x
  for all y      /* use a bounding box!*/
    {compute  $(\alpha, \beta, \gamma)$  for  $(x, y)$  ;
    if  $(0 < \alpha < 1)$  and  $(0 < \beta < 1)$  and  $(0 < \gamma < 1)$ 
      { $c = \alpha c_0 + \beta c_1 + \gamma c_2$  ;
      draw pixel  $(x, y)$  with color  $c$ 
      }
    }
```

interpolates values at the corners (vertices)
linearly inside the triangle (and along edges)

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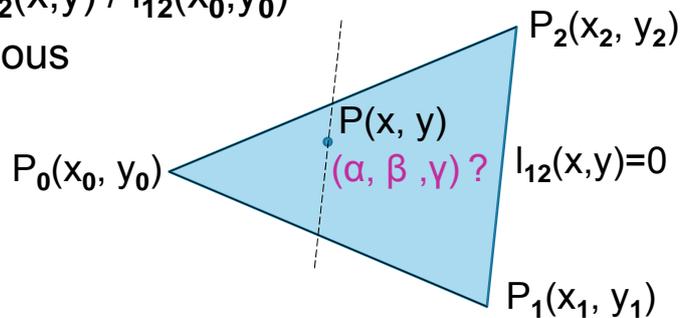
Computing (α, β, γ) for $P(x,y)$



line through P_1, P_2 : $l_{12}(x,y) = a_{12}x + b_{12}y + c_{12} = 0$

then $\alpha = l_{12}(x,y) / l_{12}(x_0, y_0)$

β, γ analogous

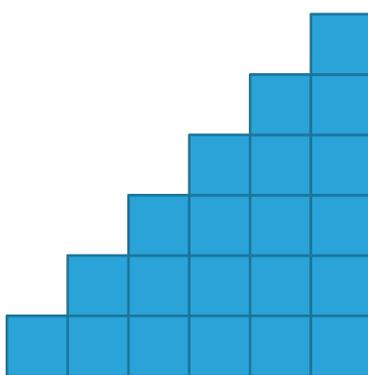


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Barycentric Coordinates Example



1.2	1.0	0.8	0.6	0.4	0.2	0.0	-0.2
-1.4	-1.2	-1.0	-0.8	-0.6	-0.4	-0.2	0.0
1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2
1.2	1.0	0.8	0.6	0.4	0.2	0.0	-0.2
-1.2	-1.0	-0.8	-0.6	-0.4	-0.2	0.0	0.2
1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0
1.2	1.0	0.8	0.6	0.4	0.2	0.0	-0.2
-1.0	-0.8	-0.6	-0.4	-0.2	0.0	0.2	0.4
0.8	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.8
1.2	1.0	0.8	0.6	0.4	0.2	0.0	-0.2
-0.8	-0.6	-0.4	-0.2	0.0	0.2	0.4	0.6
0.6	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.6
1.2	1.0	0.8	0.6	0.4	0.2	0.0	-0.2
-0.6	-0.4	-0.2	0.0	0.2	0.4	0.6	0.8
0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4
1.2	1.0	0.8	0.6	0.4	0.2	0.0	-0.2
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0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2
1.2	1.0	0.8	0.6	0.4	0.2	0.0	-0.2
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0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
1.2	1.0	0.8	0.6	0.4	0.2	0.0	-0.2
0.0	0.2	0.4	0.6	0.8	1.0	1.2	1.4
-0.2	-0.2	-0.2	-0.2	-0.2	-0.2	-0.2	-0.2

$$P = \alpha P_0 + \beta P_1 + \gamma P_2$$

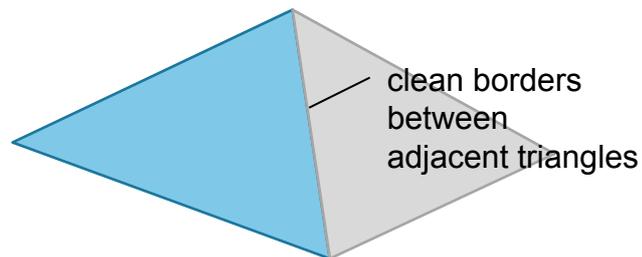
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Avoiding to Draw Borders twice



- don't draw the outline of the triangle!
 - ◆ result would depend on rendering order
- draw only pixels that are inside exact triangle
 - ◆ i.e. pixels with $\alpha, \beta, \gamma = 0, 1$ are not drawn



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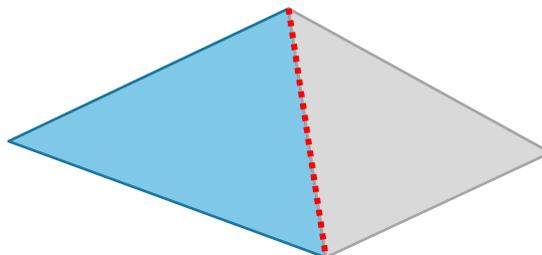
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Pixels exactly on a Border



- holes if both triangles leave pixels away
- simplest solution: draw both pixels
- better: arbitrary choice based on some test
 - ◆ e.g. only right boundaries

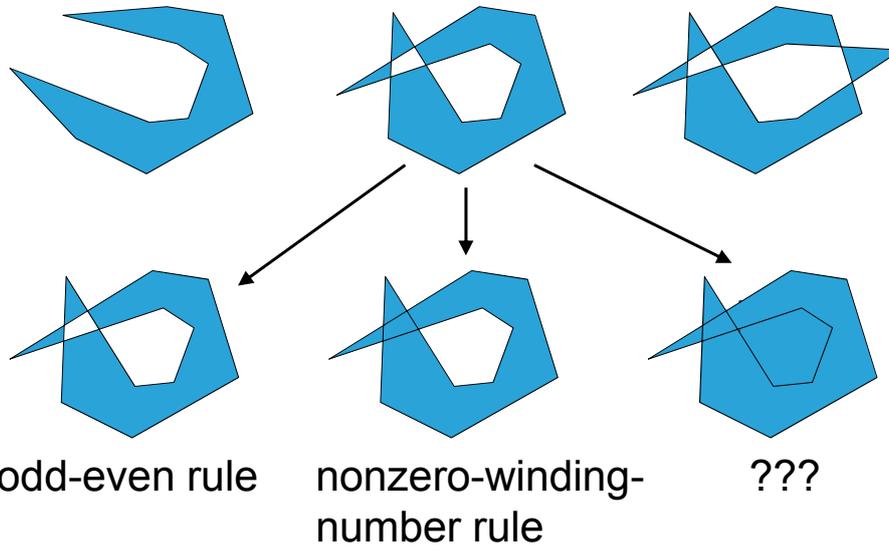


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What is Inside a Polygon?



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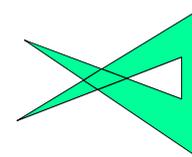
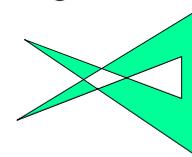
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Inside-Outside Tests



- area-filling algorithms
 - ◆ “interior”, “exterior” for self-intersecting polygons?
 - ◆ odd-even rule
 - ◆ nonzero-winding-number rule
 - ◆ same result for simple polygons



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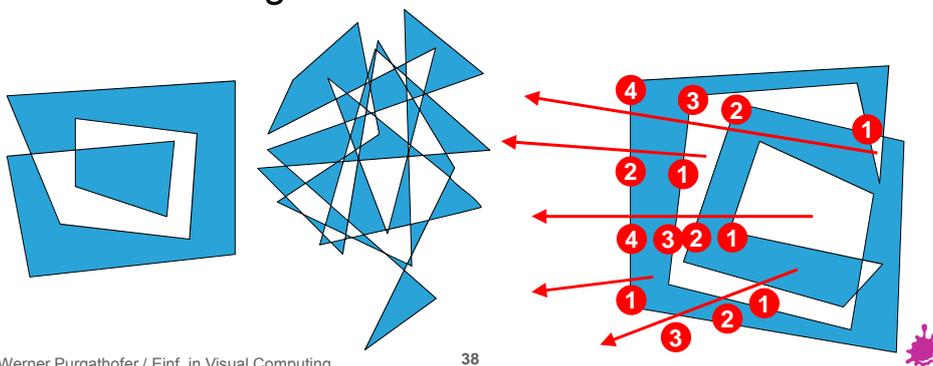
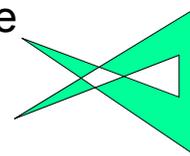
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What is Inside?: Odd-Even Rule



- inside/outside switches at every edge
- straight line to the outside:
 - ◆ even # edge intersections = outside
 - ◆ odd # edge intersections = inside



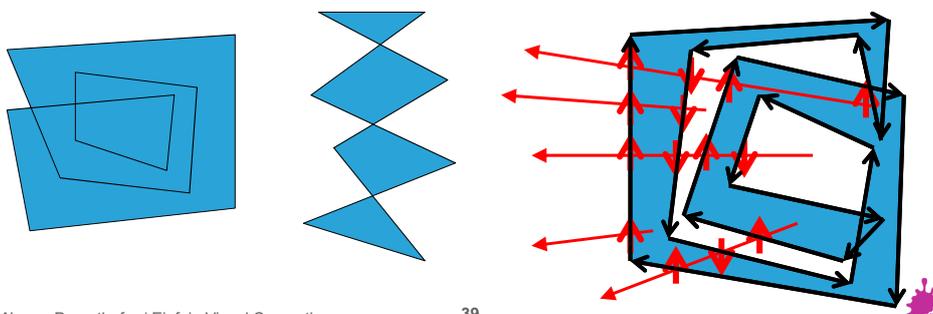
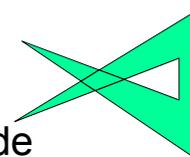
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What is Inside?: Nonzero Winding Number



- point is inside if polygon surrounds it
- straight line to the outside:
 - ◆ same # edges up and down = outside
 - ◆ different # edges up and down = inside



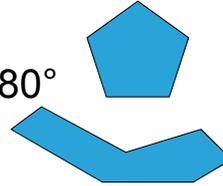
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Polygon Fill Areas



- polygon classifications
 - ◆ **convex**: no interior angle $> 180^\circ$
 - ◆ **concave**: not convex
- concavity test
 - ◆ *vector method*
 - all vector cross products have the same sign
 \Rightarrow convex
 - ◆ *rotational method*
 - rotate polygon-edges onto x-axis, always same direction \Rightarrow convex



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The End

