## CSSE 351 Computer Graphics

Clipping

#### Session schedule

- Rendering pipeline
- 2D clipping
- Triangle clipping
- 3D clipping

## Render pipeline





- Modeling
  - Creation of objects in 3D
  - Send to GPU
  - Can be done in shaders also! (geometry/tesselation shader)



- Geometry processing
  - Apply transforms (view, projection)
    - Vertex shader
  - Clip against view volume
  - Homogenize coordinates



- Rasterization
  - Interpolate over objects
    - Take discrete samples
  - Called scan conversion
  - Convert to window coordinates

## Render pipeline



- Fragments
  - Compute color
  - Compose fragments
  - Final depth sorting
  - Output to framebuffer!

# OpenGL Clipping

#### • Start in 2D, extend to 3D

- Can clip in any coordinate frame
  - OpenGL clips in 'Clip space'
  - Just before homogenization and NDC

# OpenGL Clipping

- Camera takes vertices to view/camera space
- Projection takes vertices to clip space
- In clip space
  - Primitives are clipped
  - w is homogenized
- Result is Normalized Device Coords.

• Clip against viewport or view window

- Viewport defined by
  - x min, x max
  - y min, y max

• Clip vertex (x,y) against view window



- Clipping line (xl,yl) (x2,y<sup>2</sup>)
  - More complex
  - 2 points to check

- Can result in new points
  - New line segments





# Cohen-Sutherland clipping

- Divide 2D space into 9 regions
- Assign each region ID
- Compute each point's region ID (outcode)
- Compare outcode to determine clipping

### Cohen-Sutherland clipping

- Space outcodes **Tests**:
  - I bit per half plane

1000 1010

 $x = x_{\min} x = x_{\max}$ 

1001

0001

0101

• Outcodes o I, o2 from line points

• oI = o2 = 0 : inside view

• ol != 0, o2 = 0 : must clip

maybe clip

ol & o2 != 0 : outside
 view

$$\begin{array}{c} y = y_{max} \quad \bullet \quad \text{ol } \& \text{ o2} = 0: \\ 0000 \quad 0010 \quad y = y_{min} \\ 0100 \quad 0110 \end{array}$$











































#### Intersection

- Can use explicit line equation
  - y = mx+b
  - Find for m, b
  - Solve for intersection values

• Handle vertical lines as special case

# Polygon clipping

- General polygon clipping
  - Intersect clip line against polygon
  - Insert new vertices
  - Create new polygons

# Polygon clipping

- More complicated if
  - Topology restrictions (triangles only!)
  - Surface properties (vertex attributes)

# Triangle clipping

- Triangles must appear as single objects
- Tesselate triangle during clipping
- Compute vertex attributes if needed





# Clipping pipeline

- Clipping tests are independent
- Can be performed in serial or parallel

- Pipeline line clipping against axes bounds
  - Test each axis independently

# Clipping pipeline

• Final pipeline result is fully clipped polygon



• Extend Cohen-Sutherland to 3D?

#### **3D** Cohen-Sutherland

• 2D case had 4 bounds & 4 bit opcodes

### **3D** Cohen-Sutherland

3D case has 6 bounds & 6 bit opcodes



# 3D Clipping

- Can operate in clip space if we assume NDC is (-1, -1, -1) : (1, 1, 1)
- Remember, need to homogenize by w

# OpenGL Clipping

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# OpenGL Clipping

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- Projection takes vertices to clip space
- In clip space
  - Primitives are clipped
  - w is homogenized
- Result is Normalized Device Coords.

# Render pipeline

- After homogenization
  - All geometry is in NDC
  - No geometry out of view volume (NDC)



- Render pipeline changes coordinate/vector spaces
- Ready for
  - Fragment conversion
  - Interpolation
  - Depth sorting

#### Rasterization

- Compute fragment locations in window coordinates
- Interpolate vertex attributes
- Compute fragment color

• Sort fragments by depth

#### Other methods

Many other ways to clip

# Liang-Barsky clipping

- Form parametric equation of line
- Compute entrance and exit from clipping region
- Check if order is valid, clip if needed

#### Parametric lines

- Forming parametric line equation
  - Given points p1 and p2
  - Vector parallel to line is p2-p1
  - 'Start' of line is pl
  - All valid points on line are in range p = pI + a(p2-pI), where  $0 \le a \le I$

#### Parametric lines

- Forming parametric line equation
  - Given points p1 and p2
  - All valid points in line are between p1 & p2
  - Linearly interpolate between p1 and p2 p = (1-a)p1 + a(p2), where  $0 \le a \le 1$

# Liang-Barsky clipping

- Form parametric equation of line
- Compute entrance and exit from clipping region
- Check if order is valid, clip if needed

- Clip region bounded by x min, x max
  y min, y max
- Split line equation into x and y forms:
  x = (1-a)x1 + a(x2)
  y = (1-a)y1 + a(y2)
- Solve for intersects

- Clip region bounded by
- Solve for intersects



- Set equal to intersect point
  y max = (1-a)y1 + a(y2)
- Check if a is bounded by 0 and 1
- Compute a intersects for all clip bounds

- Check if entrance and exit intersects are in correct order
  - Must enter x or y bound
  - Must enter other axis bound
  - Then may exit either axes bounds

# Liang-Barsky clipping

- Form parametric equation of line
- Compute entrance and exit from clipping region
- Check if order is valid, clip if needed

# Clip line segment

- If entrance and exit are valid
  - Already have intersect points
  - Line is between: last entrance point and first exit point