## CCIS $441 / 541$ : Intro to Computer Graphics Lecture 3: Interpolation



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## Class Thursday

- Starts at 9am
- 9am-930am: Q\&A / group OH on topics related to project 1, graphics
- 930am-940am: quiz
- You must be present for these 10 minutes to take the quiz
- If you cannot be present, you must (1) contact me by 12 noon on Weds or (2) be in an emergency situation
- Still determining how to make custom quizzes - know your UO ID
- This "lecture" will not be recorded


## Let's do a practice quiz

|  | Column B |  |
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| UO ID | Column |  |
| 951994649 | 268 | 449 |
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| 951062645 | 861 | 584 |
| 951166497 | 137 | 742 |
| 951648310 | 570 | 98 |
| 951239287 | 638 | 14 |
| 951322463 | 710 | 789 |
| 951193827 | 368 | 188 |
| 951075481 | 420 | 802 |
| 951260966 | 545 | 343 |
| 951448235 | 611 | 659 |
| 951422849 | 320 | 636 |
| 951219327 | 861 | 997 |
| 951774503 | 152 | 128 |
| 951432579 | 605 | 857 |
| 951709896 | 955 | 535 |
| 951129767 | 101 | 906 |
| 951622873 | 463 | 288 |
| 951858116 | 560 | 863 |
| 951807629 | 678 | 118 |
| 951292153 | 477 | 651 |
| 951652318 | 678 | 309 |
| 951907604 | 891 | 8 |
| 951062452 | 24 | 194 |
| 951302405 | 653 | 421 |
| 951727929 | 150 | 538 |
| 951449684 | 830 | 727 |
| 951958265 | 143 | 843 |
| 951329660 | 401 | 750 |
| 951645337 | 837 | 500 |
| 951650461 | 845 | 363 |
| 951407127 | 63 | 549 |
| 951749776 | 934 | 424 |
| 951690768 | 529 | 776 |
| 951339608 | 685 | 371 |
| 951035559 | 338 | 406 |
| 951848919 | 81 | 52 |
| 951035905 | 413 | 451 |
| 951957181 | 960 | 487 |
| 951190320 | 473 | 589 |
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Quiz \#1 (THIS IS A FAKE QUIZ FOR US TO PRACTICE WITH)

Question 1: enter column A for your UO ID
Question 2: enter column B for your UO ID
Question 3: what is $\mathrm{A}+\mathrm{B}$ ?
Question 4: what is $A-B$ ?

Note: all of these UO IDs are fake

## Virtual Delivery is Changing How This Class is Delivered

- Despite my best efforts, I have done a lot of repetition in previous offerings
- In this setting, repeating myself seems like a waste of your time
- Borderline disrespectful
- We will figure this issue out as we go
- Positive aspect: I was already considering using Thursdays in non-lecture format


## May Have Too Much Lecture Today

- We will get as far as we can


## Week 2 Office Hours

How to access Office Hours
Hank Childs
All Sections

Hi Everyone,
We currently have an asymmetry for accessing Hank and Abhishek's Office Hours.
As of now, Abhishek's are always at: COVERED UP (THIS IS POSTED ONLINE)
And Hank's are accessible via the Zoom Meetings area in Canvas.
Let's chat on Tuesday about the most standard way to do this.
Finally, here is the OH schedule again:
Monday (Abhishek): 10am-11am
Tuesday (Abhishek): 945am-1045am
Wednesday (Hank): 230pm-330pm
Thursday (Abhishek): 945am-1045am
Best,
Hank

## Quick Review

## What Are We Rendering?

- Models made up of polygons
- Usually triangles
- Lighting tricks make surfaces look non-faceted
- More on this later...


## NEW Slide

- Multiple coordinate spaces
- "World space"
- Specify an origin and locations with respect to that origin
$-(x, y, z)$
- "Screen space"
- Everything relative to pixels on the screen
- Triangle vertex $(10.5,20.5)$ lies in pixel $(10,20)$


## NEW Slide

- Later, we will figure out how to:
- Define a camera position
- Transform triangle vertices from world space to screen space
- Currently: assuming the transform has happened, and operating on triangle vertices already in screen space


## These are REPEAT slides I traditionally have

 repeated this lecture (although quickly)

Project \#1B (due tomorrow): Questions?

- Goal: apply the scanline algorithm to "going right" triangles and output an image
- File "project1B.cxx" has triangles defined in it
- Due: Weds April 7
- \% of grade: 3\%


## Arbitrary Triangles

- The description of the scanline algorithm in the preceding slides is general.
- But the implementation for these three triangles vary:



## Arbitrary Triangles

- Project \#1B: implement the scanline algorithm for "going right" triangles
- Project \#1C: arbitrary triangles



## Arbitrary Triangles

- Function: RasterizeGoingRightTriangle - (You have this from 1B)
- Function: RasterizeGoingLeftTriangle
- (You can write this by modifying RasterizeGoingRightTriangle)
- Function: RasterizeArbitraryTriangle
- Split into two triangles
- Call RasterizeGoingRightTriangle and RasterizeGoingLeftTriangle


## Project \#1C (6\%), Due (April 14th)

- Goal: apply the scanline algorithm to arbitrary triangles and output an image.
- Extend your project1B code
- File proj1c_geometry.vtk available on web (80MB)
- File "reader.cxx" has code to read triangles from file.
- No Cmake, project1c.cxx
- POSTED SOON


## Where we are...

- We haven't talked about how to get triangles into position.
- Arbitrary camera positions through linear algebra
- We haven't talked about shading
- On Thursday, we tackled this problem: How to deposit triangle colors onto an image?

Still don't know how to:
Today's lecture will

1) Vary colors (easy)
2) Deal with triangles that overlap

## What is a field?



Example field (2D): temperature over the United States
$\mathbf{O}$ How much data is needed to make this picture?


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Field F


Linear Interpolation for Scalar

## Field F

- General equation to interpolate:

$$
-F(X)=F(A)+t^{*}(F(B)-F(A))
$$

- $t$ is proportion of $X$ between $A$ and $B$
$-t=(X-A) /(B-A)$



## Quiz Time

- $F(3)=5, F(6)=11$
- What is $F(4)$ ? $=5+(4-3) /(6-3) *(11-5)=7$
- General equation to interpolate:
$-F(X)=F(A)+t^{*}(F(B)-F(A))$
- $t$ is proportion of $X$ between $A$ and $B$
$-t=(X-A) /(B-A)$

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## What is $\mathrm{F}(\mathrm{V} 4)$ ?



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- Steps to follow:
- Calculate V5, the left intercept for $Y=0.25$
- Calculate V6, the right intercept for $Y=0.25$
- Calculate V4, which is between V5 and V6
- Note: when you implement this, you will be doing vertical scanlines, so doing it for $X=0.5$


## What is the X-location of V5?



## What is the F-value of V5?



## What is the X-location of V6?



$$
\begin{aligned}
& \mathrm{F}(\mathrm{v} 1)=\mathrm{A} \quad \rightarrow \mathrm{~F}(1)=1 \\
& \mathrm{~F}(\mathrm{v} 2)=\mathrm{B} \rightarrow \mathrm{~F}(2)=0 \\
& \mathrm{~F}(\mathrm{v})=\mathrm{A}+((\mathrm{v}-\mathrm{v}) /(\mathrm{v} 2-\mathrm{v} 1))^{*}(\mathrm{~B}-\mathrm{A}):
\end{aligned}
$$

$F(v)=0.25$, find $v$

$$
\begin{aligned}
0.25= & 1+\left((v-1) /(2-1)^{*}(0-1)\right. \\
= & 1+(v-1)^{*}(-1) \\
0.25= & 2-v \\
& v=1.75
\end{aligned}
$$

## What is the F-value of V6?



$$
\begin{aligned}
& \mathrm{F}(\mathrm{v} 1)=\mathrm{A} \quad \rightarrow \mathrm{~F}(1)=2 \\
& \mathrm{~F}(\mathrm{v} 2)=\mathrm{B} \rightarrow \mathrm{~F}(2)=-2 \\
& \mathrm{~F}(\mathrm{v})=\mathrm{A}+((\mathrm{v} \mathrm{v} 1) /(\mathrm{v} 2-\mathrm{v} 1))^{*}(\mathrm{~B}-\mathrm{A}): \\
& \\
& \begin{aligned}
\mathrm{v}= & 1.75, \text { find } \mathrm{F}(\mathrm{v})
\end{aligned} \\
& \begin{aligned}
\mathrm{F}(\mathrm{v}) & =2+\left((1.75-1) /(2-1)^{*}(-2-+2)\right. \\
& =2+(.75)^{*}(-4) \\
& =2-3 \\
& =-1
\end{aligned}
\end{aligned}
$$

## What is the F-value of V5?




## Visualization of F



Not defined

How do you think this picture was made?

Now We Understand Interpolation Let's Use It For Two New Ideas: Color Interpolation
\& Z-buffer Interpolation

## Colors

OWhat about triangles that have more than one color?


The color is in three channels, hence three scalar fields defined on the triangle.


## Scanline algorithm for one triangle

- Determine columns of pixels the triangle can possibly intersect
- Call them columnMin to columnMax
- columnMin: ceiling of smallest $X$ value
- columnMax: floor of biggest $X$ value
- For cin [columnMin $\rightarrow$ columnMax] ; do
- Find end points of $c$ intersected with triangle
- Call them bottomEnd and topEnd
- For r in [ceiling(bottomEnd) $\rightarrow$ floor(topEnd) ] ; do
- ImageColor $(r, c) \leftarrow$ triangle color


## Scanline Algorithm w/ Color

- Determine columns of pixels the triangle can possibly intersect
- Call them columnMin to columnMax
- columnMin: ceiling of smallest $X$ value
- columnMax: floor of biggest $X$ value
- For c in [columnMin $\rightarrow$ columnMax] ; do
- Find end points of cintersected with triangle
- Call them bottomEnd and topEnd
- Calculate Color(bottomEnd) and Color(topEnd) using interpolation from triangle vertices
- For $r$ in [ceiling(bottomEnd) $\rightarrow$ floor(topEnd) ] ; do
- Calculate Color(r, c) using Color(bottomEnd) and Color(topEnd)
- ImageColor $(r, c) \leftarrow \operatorname{Color}(r, c)$


## Simple Example



## Scanline algorithm w/ Color

- Determine rows of pixels triangles can possibly intersect
- Call them rowMin to rowMax
- rowMin: ceiling of smallest $Y$ value
- rowMax: floor of biggest $Y$ value
- For $r$ in [rowMin $\rightarrow$ rowMax] ; do

Calculating multiple color channels here!

- Find end points of $r$ intersected with triangle
- Call them leftEnd and rightEnd
- Calculate Color(leftEnd) and Color(rightEnd) using interpolation from triangle vertices
- For c in [ceiling(leftEnd) $\rightarrow$ floor(rightEnd) ] ; do
- Calculate Color(r, c) using Color(leftEnd) and Color(rightEnd)
- ImageColor $(r, c) \leftarrow$ Color $(r, c)$


## Important

- ceiling / floor: needed to decide which pixels to deposit colors to
- used: rowMin / rowMax, leftEnd / rightEnd
- not used: when doing interpolation

Color(leftEnd) and Color(rightEnd) should be at the intersection locations ... no ceiling/floor.

How To Resolve When Triangles Overlap:
The Z-Buffer

## Imagine you have a cube where each face has its own color....



| Face | Color |
| :--- | :--- |
| Front | Blue |
| Right | Green |
| Top | Red |
| Back | Yellow |
| Left | Purple |
| Bottom | Cyan |

View from "front/top/right" side

Imagine you have a cube where each face has its own color....

How do we render the pixels that we want and ignore the pixels from faces that are obscured?

## Consider a scene from the right side



Camera/eyeball

Camera oriented directly at Front face, seen from the Right side

| Face | Color |
| :--- | :--- |
| Front | Blue |
| Right | Green |
| Top | Red |
| Back | Yellow |
| Left | Purple |
| Bottom | Cyan |

vommarm or otate Consider the scene from the top side


Camera/eyeball

Camera oriented directly at Front face, seen from the Top side

| Face | Color |
| :--- | :--- |
| Front | Blue |
| Right | Green |
| Top | Red |
| Back | Yellow |
| Left | Purple |
| Bottom | Cyan |

## What do we render?

## Green, Red, Purple, and Cyan all "flat" to camera. Only need to render Blue and Yellow faces (*).



| Face | Color |
| :--- | :--- |
| Front | Blue |
| Right | Green |
| Top | Red |
| Back | Yellow |
| Left | Purple |
| Bottom | Cyan |

## What do we render?

## What should the picture look like? What's visible? What's obscured?

Camera/eyeball

Camera oriented directly at Front face, seen from the Top side

| Face | Color |
| :--- | :--- |
| Front | Blue |
| Right | Green |
| Top | Red |
| Back | Yellow |
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0 New field associated with each triangle: depth

- Project 1B,1C:
class Triangle
\{
public:
Double X[3];
Double Y[3];
\};
- Now...

Double Z[3];

## What do we render?



Camera/eyeball

Camera oriented directly at Front face, seen from the Top side

| Face | Color |
| :--- | :--- |
| Front | Blue |
| Right | Green |
| Top | Red |
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## Using depth when rendering

- Use $Z$ values to guide which geometry is displayed and which is obscured.
- Example....

Oconsider 4 triangles with constant
$Z$ values


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## Idea \#1

- Sort triangles "back to front" (based on Z)
- Render triangles in back to front order
- Overwrite existing pixels



## Idea \#2

- Sort triangles "front to back" (based on Z)
- Render triangles in front to back order
- Do not overwrite existing pixels.


## But there is a problem...


(0, 1.5, -0.4)


$$
(-2,-1.5,-0.5) \quad(2,-1.5,-0.3)
$$

## The Z-Buffer Algorithm

- The preceding 10 slides were designed to get you comfortable with the notion of depth/Z.
- The Z-Buffer algorithm is the way to deal with overlapping triangles when doing rasterization.
- It is the technique that GPUs use.
- It works with opaque triangles, but not transparent geometry, which requires special handling
- Transparent geometry discussed week 7.
- Uses the front-to-back or back-to-front sortings just discussed.

The Z-Buffer Algorithm: Data Structure

- Existing: for every pixel, we store 3 bytes:
- Red channel, green channel, blue channel
- New: for every pixel, we store a floating point value:
- Depth buffer (also called " $Z$ value")
- Now 7 bytes per pixel (*)
- (*): 8 with RGBA

The Z-Buffer Algorithm:
Initialization

- Existing:
- For each pixel, set R/G/B to 0 .
- New:
- For each pixel, set depth value to -1.
- Valid depth values go from -1 (back) to 0 (front)
- This is partly convention and partly because it "makes the math easy" when doing transformations.


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## Scanline algorithm w/ Z-Buffer

- Determine columns of pixels the triangle can possibly intersect
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- columnMin: ceiling of smallest $X$ value
- columnMax: floor of biggest $X$ value
- For c in [columnMin $\rightarrow$ columnMax] ; do
- Find end points of c intersected with triangle
- Call them bottomEnd and topEnd
- Interpolate $z$ (bottomEnd) and $z$ (topEnd) from triangle vertices
- For r in [ceiling(bottomEnd) $\rightarrow$ floor(topEnd) ] ; do
- Interpolate $z(c, r)$ from $z(b o t t o m E n d)$ and $z(t o p E n d)$
- If (z(c,r) > depthBuffer(c,r))
- ImageColor $(r, c) \leftarrow$ triangle color
- depthBuffer(c,r) =z(c,r)

The Z-Buffer Algorithm: Example


## Interpolation and Triangles

- We introduced the notion of interpolating a field on a triangle
- We used the interpolation in two settings:
-1) to interpolate colors
- 2) to interpolate depths for z-buffer algorithm
- Project 1D: you will be adding color interpolation and the z-buffer algorithm to your programs.

