

# From 3D World to 2D Screen

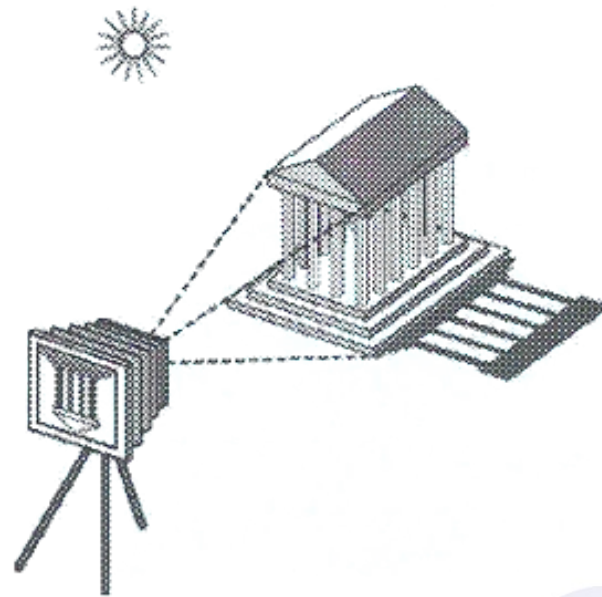
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# From 3D World to 2D Screen

- **Overview**
  - Synthetic camera
  - Rendering pipeline
  - World window versus viewport
  - Clipping
    - Cohen-Sutherland algorithm
  - Rasterizing
    - Bresenham algorithm

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- **Three different actors in a scene**
  - Objects: exist in space, independent of viewer
  - Viewer: camera, human, ...
  - Lights: shading, shadows, ...

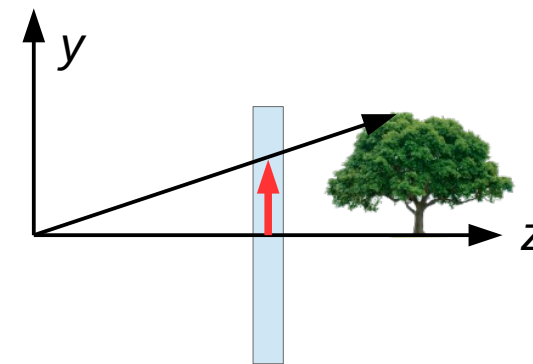
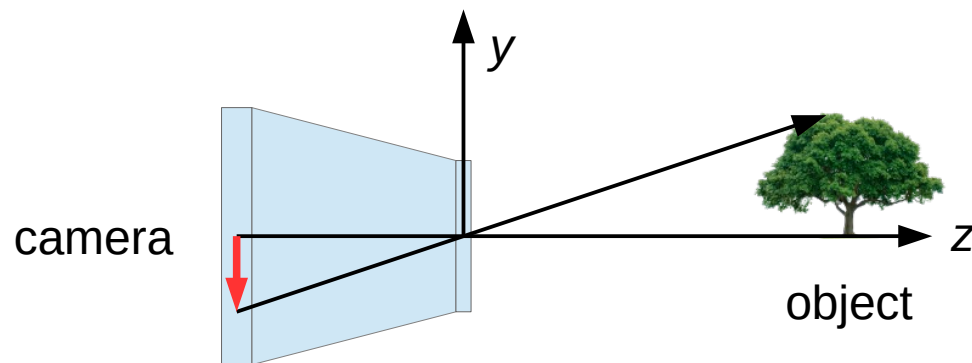


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- **Viewer**

- Pinhole camera (camera obscura)

- Projection plane behind projection center: an inverted image
    - Easy mathematical description



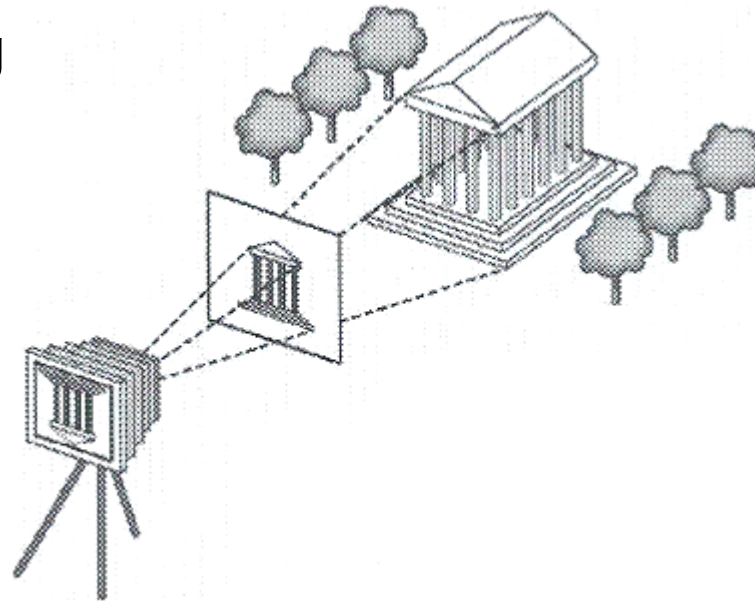
- Synthetic camera

- Projection plane in front of projection center: no inversion

# From 3D World to 2D Screen

- **Viewer**

- We don't want to see everything
- Clipping
  - Looking through a 2D window



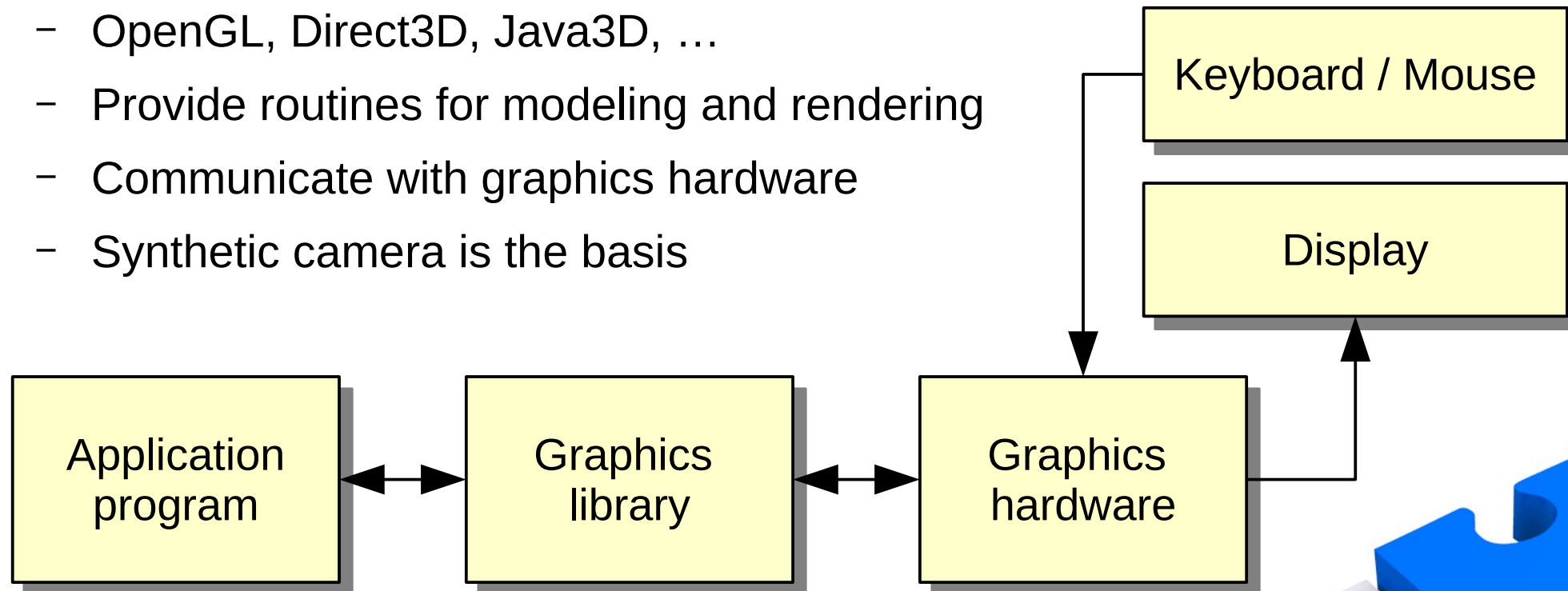
- Two clipping models
  - 2D clipper: First project, and then cut everything outside window
  - 3D clipper: Cut everything outside view pyramid, and then project



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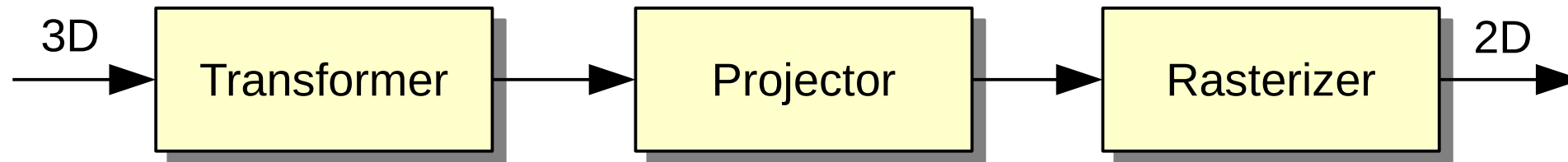
- **3D graphics libraries**

- OpenGL, Direct3D, Java3D, ...
- Provide routines for modeling and rendering
- Communicate with graphics hardware
- Synthetic camera is the basis



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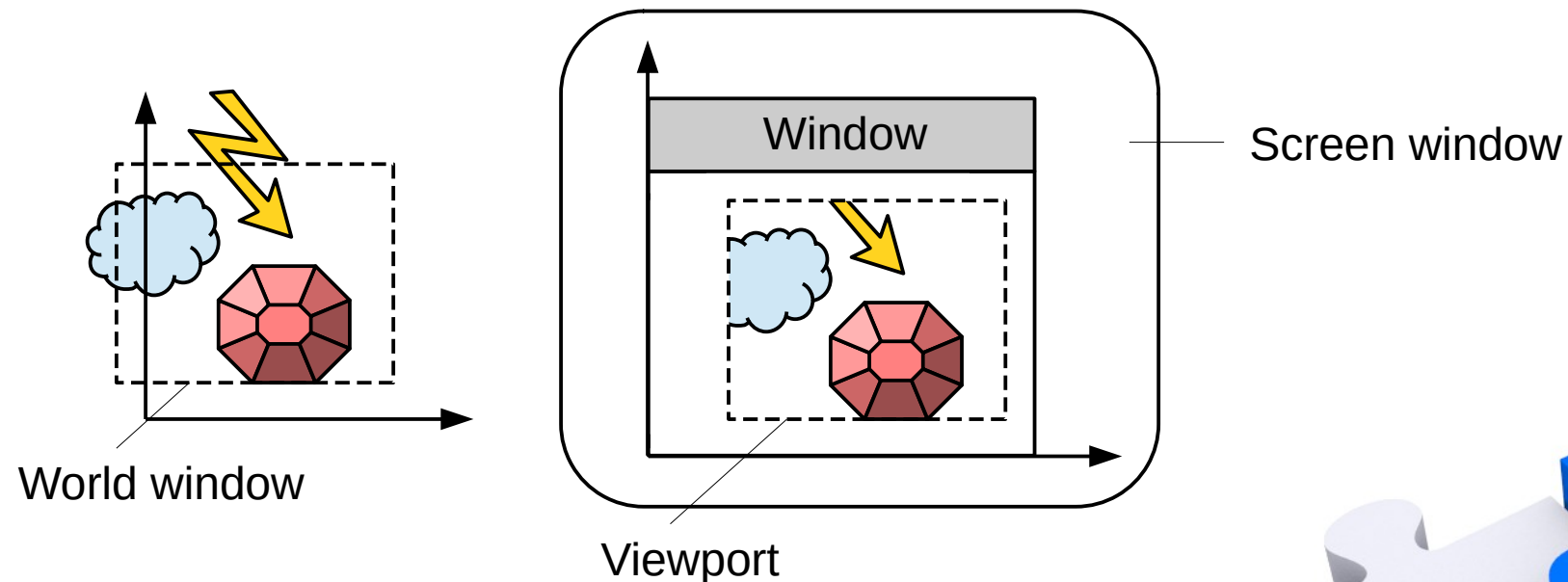
- **Rendering pipeline**



- Conversion from 3D world vertices to 2D screen pixels
  - Transform to camera coordinate system (camera in origin)
  - Project 3D coordinates to 2D coordinates
    - + Clip away everything we don't see in window
  - Transform to pixels in the frame buffer

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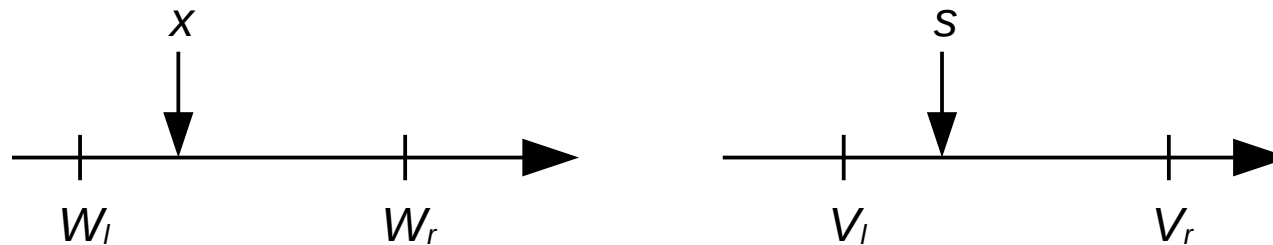
- **World window versus viewport**
  - World window: specifies which part of the world should be drawn
  - Viewport: rectangle in screen window in which we want to draw





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- **World window versus viewport**
  - Mapping  $(x,y) \rightarrow (s,t)$  is linear



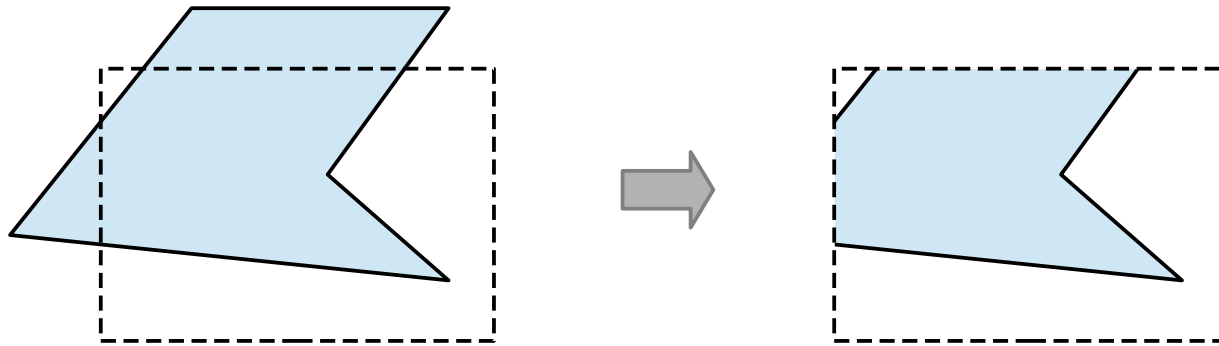
$$s = Ax + B, \quad A = \frac{V_r - V_l}{W_r - W_l}, \quad B = V_l - A W_l$$

- Preserving aspect ratio (width/height) of world window
- Maximizing and centering in viewport

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- 2D Clipping

- Lines outside world window are not to be drawn



- Algorithm *clipSegment(...)*
  - If line is within window then return *true* (accept)
  - If line is outside window then return *false* (reject)
  - Otherwise clip and return *true*

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- **2D Clipping**

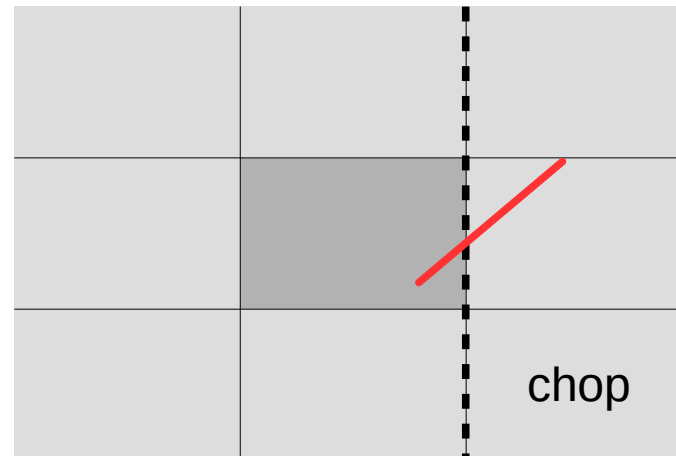
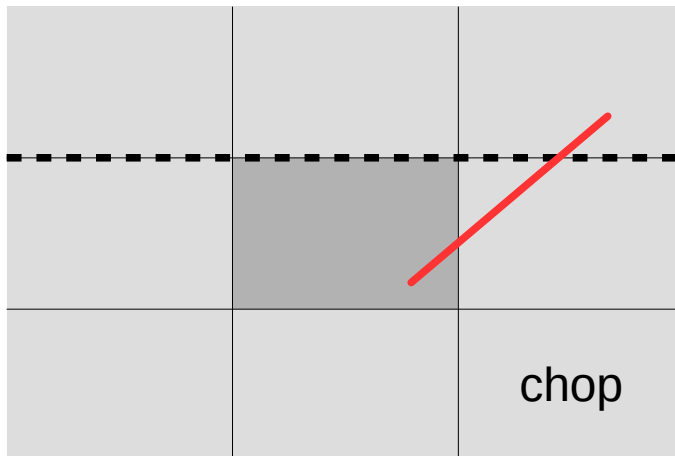
- Cohen-Sutherland region outcodes

- Divide space into 9 regions
    - 4 bits per region
      - Left? Above? Right? Below?
  - Trivial accept:
    - Both endpoints are FFFF
  - Trivial reject:
    - Both endpoints have T in the same position

TFFF	FTFF	FTTF
TFFF	FFFF	FFTF
TFFT	FFFT	FFTT

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- **2D Clipping**
  - Cohen-Sutherland chopping
    - If line is neither trivial accept nor reject
    - Then clip against edges of window repeatedly



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- 2D Clipping
  - Cohen-Sutherland line clipper

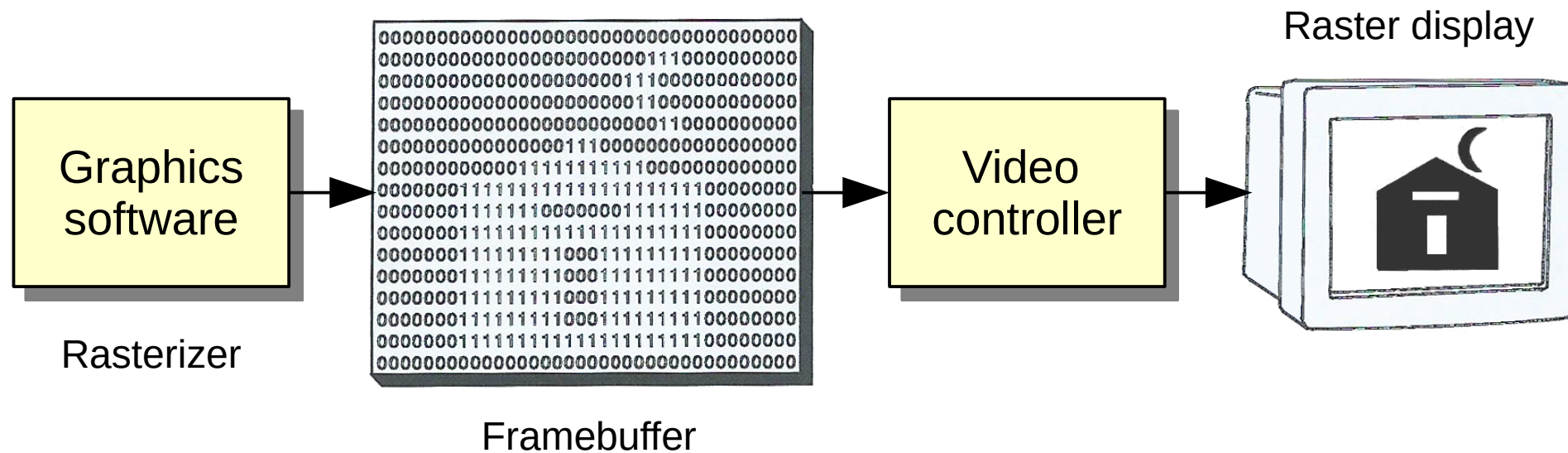
```
boolean clipSegment(Point p1, Point p2) {  
    do {  
        if (trivial accept) return true;  
        if (trivial reject) return false;  
        if (p1 is outside) {  
            if (p1 is left) chop left;  
            if (p1 is above) chop above;  
            ...  
        }  
        if (p2 is outside) { ... }  
    } while (true)  
}
```

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- **Rasterizing**
  - Viewport on raster display
    - Cathode ray tube (CRT) monitor
    - Liquid crystal display (LCD) monitor
    - Image is discrete
  - Framebuffer
    - Raster image is stored in memory as a matrix of pixels (= picture elements)
    - The color of each pixel specifies the beam intensity
    - Video hardware scans framebuffer at 60Hz
      - Changes in framebuffer visible on screen  $\Rightarrow$  double buffering
      - Switch buffers when one buffer is finished

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- Rasterizing



- How to convert lines/polygons to pixels?
  - Continuous to discrete: scan conversion



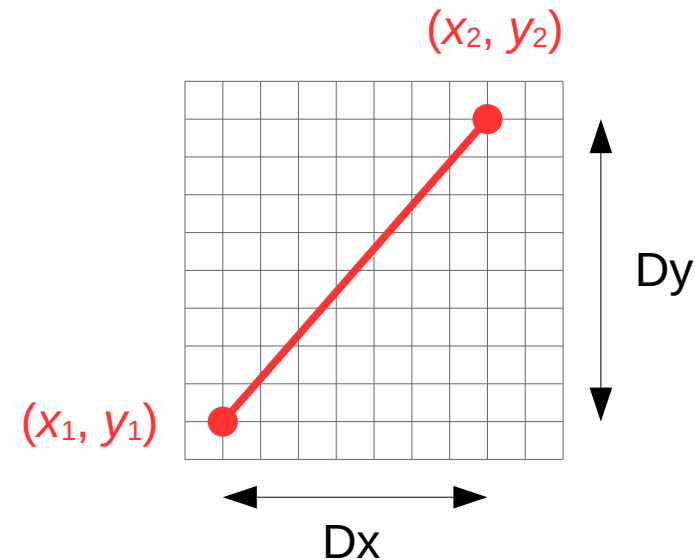
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- **Rasterizing**

- Scan converting lines

- Find the pixels closest to the ideal line

$$(y - y_1) = m(x - x_1), \quad m = \frac{Dy}{Dx} = \frac{y_2 - y_1}{x_2 - x_1}$$



- Naive algorithm

- If slope  $|m| \leq 1$  : illuminate one pixel per column; work incrementally
    - If slope  $|m| > 1$  : illuminate one pixel per row; work incrementally  
(just  $x \leftrightarrow y$ )

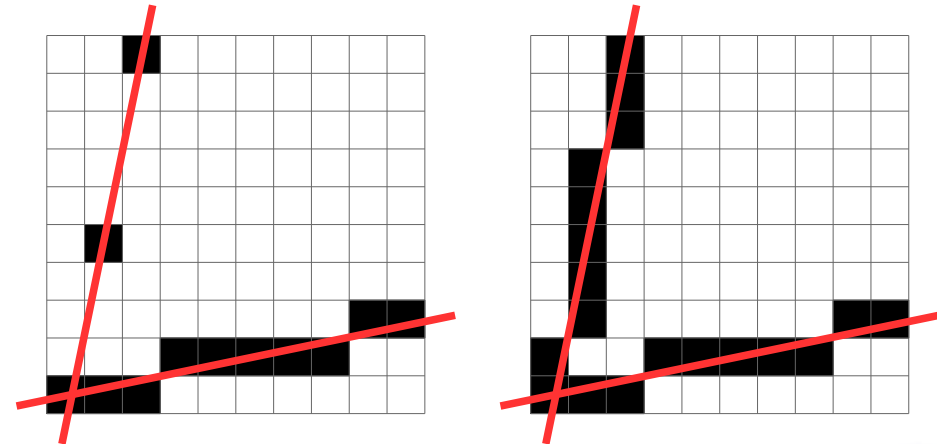


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- **Rasterizing**

- Scan converting lines: slope  $|m| \leq 1$

```
y = y1;  
for (i = x1; i <= x2; i++) {  
    plotPixel(i, Math.round(y));  
    y += m;  
}
```



- Inefficient:
  - Computation of  $\text{round}(y)$  for each integer  $x$
  - And floating point addition

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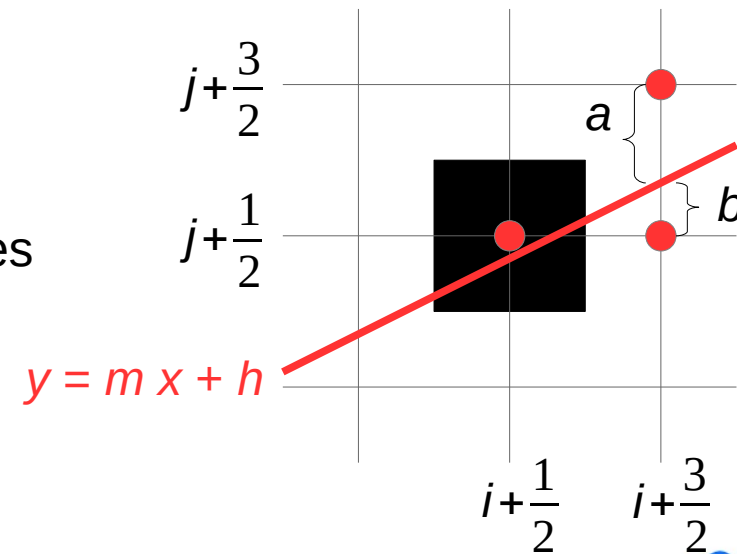
- **Rasterizing**

- Scan converting lines: Bresenham algorithm

- Only integer arithmetic

- What is the next pixel?

- Assuming slope  $0 \leq m \leq 1$ , two possibilities
    - Decision variable:  $d = a - b$ 
      - If  $(d > 0)$  ... Else ...
    - Alternative:  $d = Dx(a - b)$ 
      - Only interested in sign, so this gives the same result
      - Incremental computation



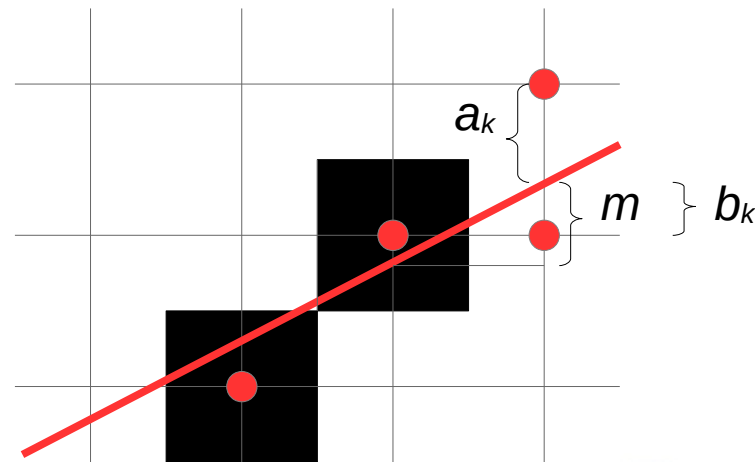
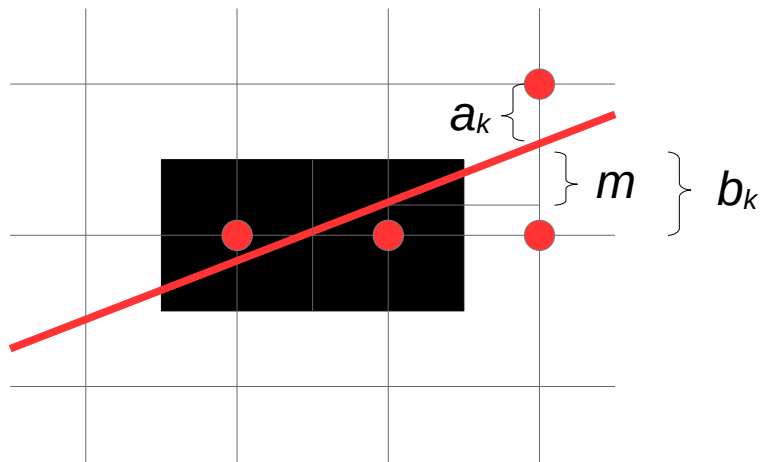
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$$d_k = d_{k-1} - 2 Dy$$

or

$$d_k = d_{k-1} - 2 (Dy - Dx)$$



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- **Rasterizing**
  - Scan converting lines: Bresenham algorithm
    - $d_k = Dx (a_k - b_k)$   
 $= Dx ((a_{k-1} - m) - (b_{k-1} + m))$   
 $= Dx (a_{k-1} - b_{k-1}) - 2 Dx m$   
 $= d_{k-1} - 2 Dy$
    - $d_k = Dx (a_k - b_k)$   
 $= Dx ((2 - m - b_{k-1}) - (m - a_{k-1}))$   
 $= Dx (a_{k-1} - b_{k-1}) - 2 Dx (m - 1)$   
 $= d_{k-1} - 2 (Dy - Dx)$
    - Exercise: Write the entire algorithm