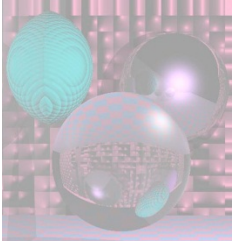


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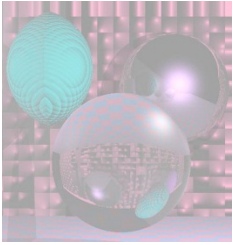
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Today's Topics

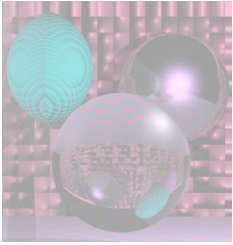
- Look at student images
- About the final project
- About the exam
- Poly Mesh
 - Hidden Surface Removal
 - Visible Surface Determination

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- Noise and Turbulence
 - Clouds
 - Marble
 - Other Effects



Rendering a Polymesh

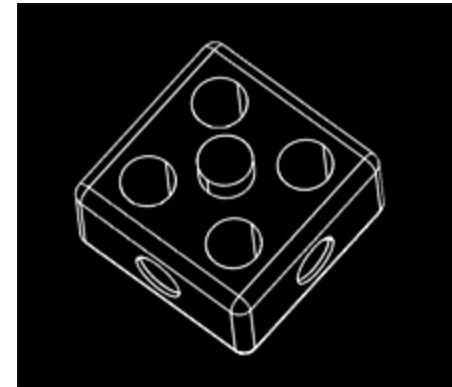
- Scene is composed of triangles or other polygons.
- We want to view the scene from different view-points.
 - Hidden Surface Removal
 - Cull out surfaces or parts of surfaces that are not visible.
 - Visible Surface Determination
 - Head right for the surfaces that are visible.
 - Ray-Tracing is one way to do this.



Wireframe Rendering



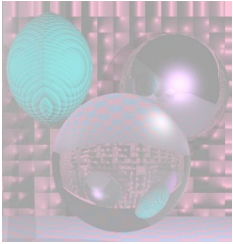
Hidden-
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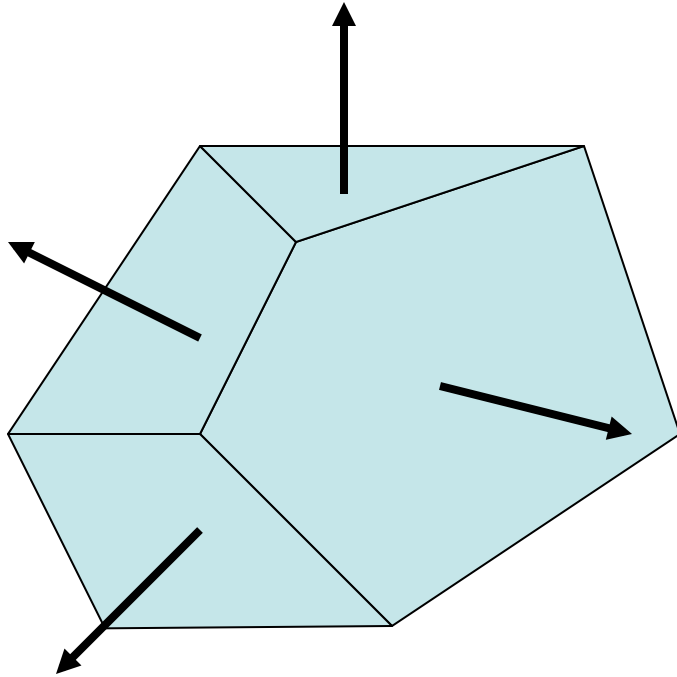
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Convex Polyhedra

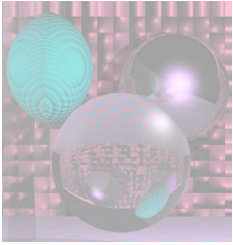


We can see a face if and only if its normal has a component toward us.

$$N \cdot V > 0$$

V points from the face toward the viewer.

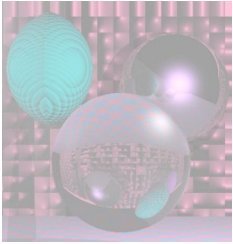
N point toward the outside of the polyhedra.



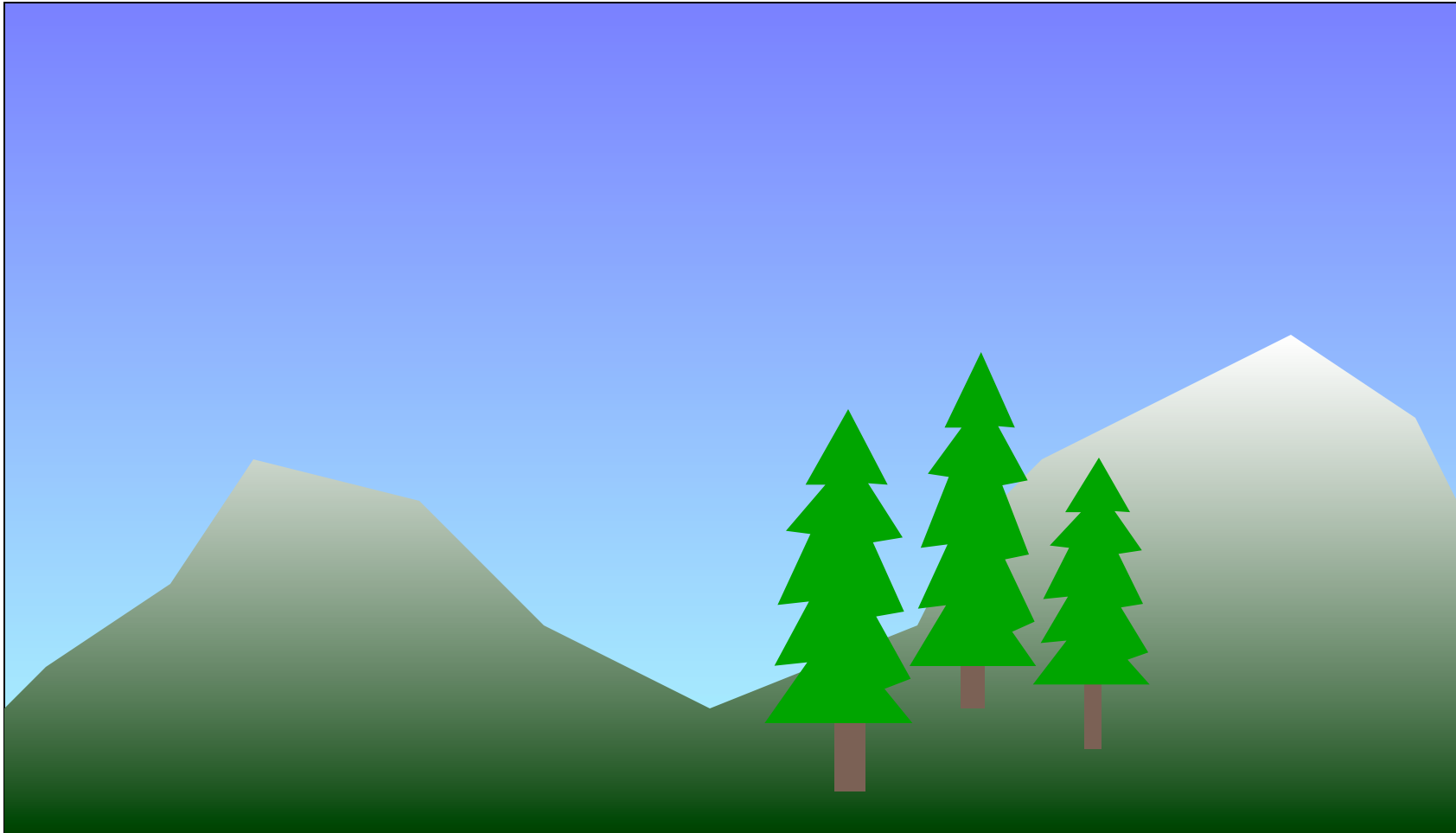
Hidden Surface Removal

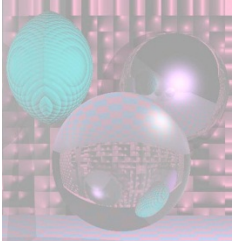
- Backface culling
 - Never show the back of a polygon.
- Viewing frustum culling
 - Discard objects outside the camera's view.
- Occlusion culling
 - Determining when portions of objects are hidden.
 - Painter's Algorithm
 - Z-Buffer
- Contribution culling
 - Discard objects that are too far away to be seen.

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Hidden_face_removal



Painter's Algorithm

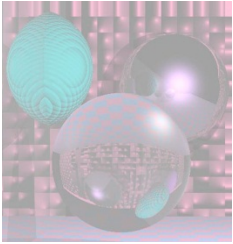




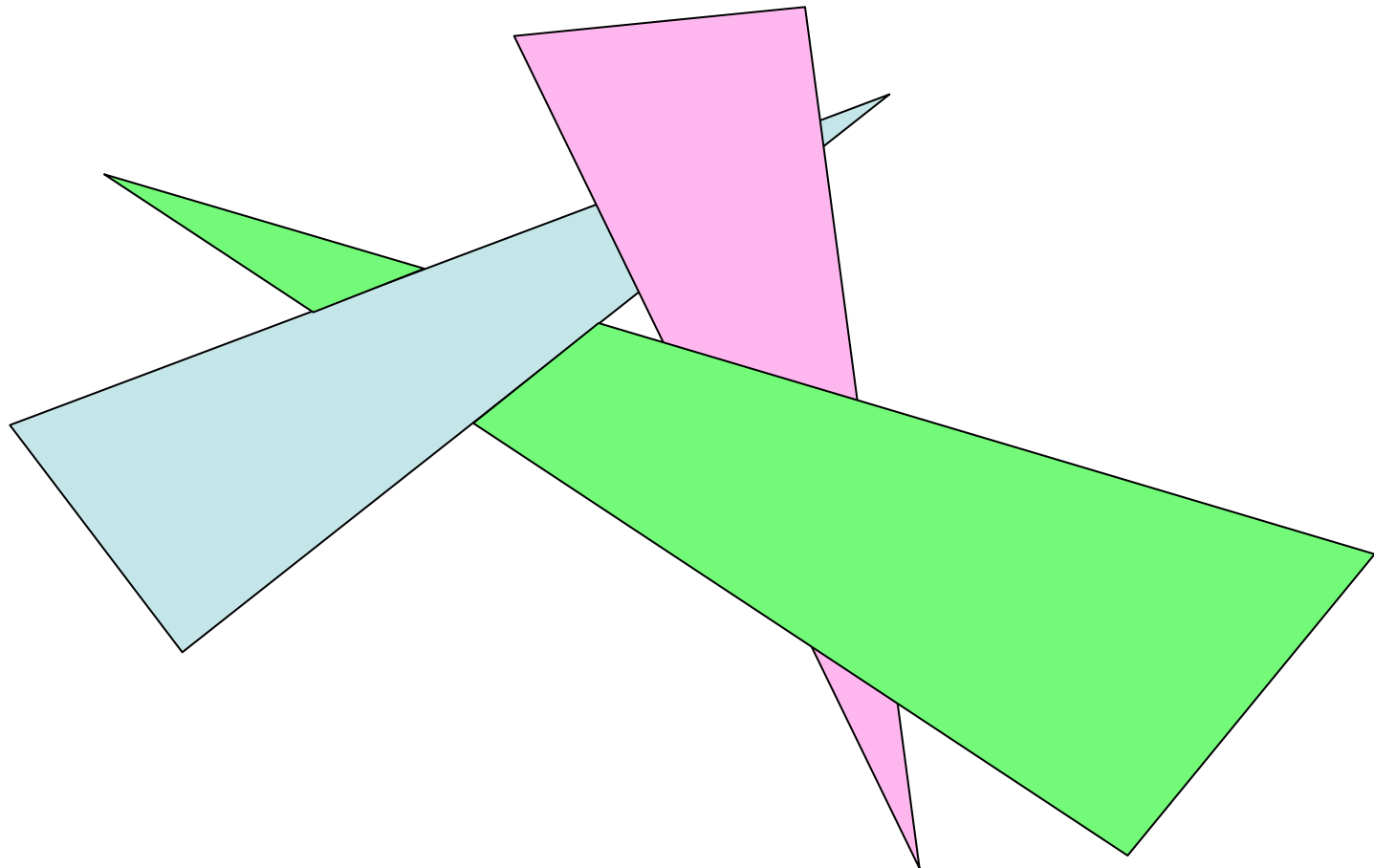
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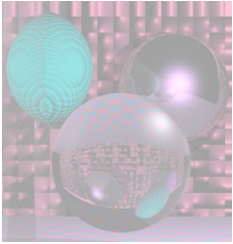
Sort objects back to front relative to the viewpoint.

for each object (in the above order) **do**
draw it on the screen

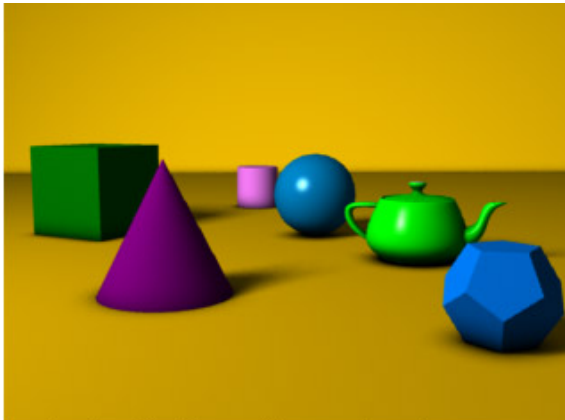


Painter's Problem





Z-Buffer



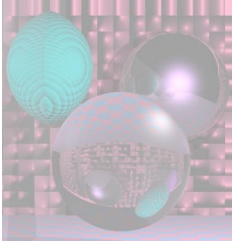
A simple three dimensional scene



Z-buffer representation

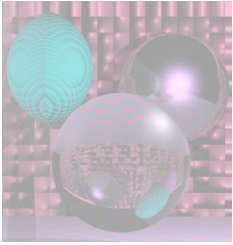
The **Z-Buffer** is usually part of graphics card hardware. It can also be implemented in software. The **Z-Buffer** is a 2D array that holds one value for each pixel. The depth of each pixel is stored in the z-buffer. An object is rendered at a pixel only if its z-value is higher(lower) than the buffer value. The buffer is then updated.

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Visible Surface Determination

- If surfaces are invisible, don't render them.
 - Ray Tracing
 - We only render the nearest object.
 - Binary Space Partitioning (BSP)
 - Recursively cut up space into convex sets with hyperplanes.
 - The scene is represented by a BSP-tree.

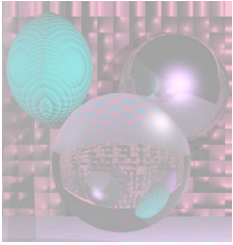


Sorting the Polygons

The first step of the Painter's algorithm is:
Sort objects back to front relative to the
viewpoint.

The relative order may not be well defined.
We have to reorder the objects when we
change the viewpoint.

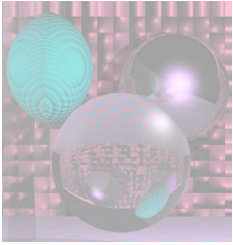
The BSP algorithm and BSP trees solve
these problems.



Binary Space Partition

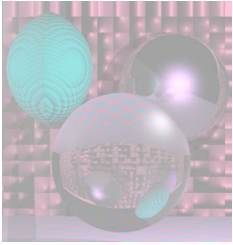
- Our scene is made of triangles.
 - Other polygons can work too.
- Assume no triangle crosses the plane of any other triangle.
 - We relax this condition later.

following Shirley *et al.*



BSP – Basics

- Let a plane in 3-space (or line in 2-space) be defined implicitly, i.e.
 - $f(\mathbf{P}) = f(x, y, z) = 0$ in 3-space
 - $f(\mathbf{P}) = f(x, y) = 0$ in 2-space
- All the points \mathbf{P} such that $f(\mathbf{P}) > 0$ lie on one side of the plane (line).
- All the points \mathbf{P} such that $f(\mathbf{P}) < 0$ lie on the other side of the plane (line).
- Since we have assumed that all vertices of a triangle lie on the same side of the plane (line), we can tell which side of a plane a triangle lies on.



BSP on a Simple Scene

Suppose scene has 2 triangles

$T1$ on the plane $f(P) = 0$

$T2$ on the $f(P) < 0$ side

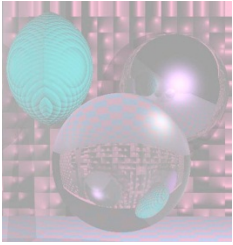
e is the eye.

if $f(e) < 0$ **then**

draw $T1$; draw $T2$

else

draw $T2$; draw $T1$



The BSP Tree

Suppose scene has many triangles, T_1, T_2, \dots .

We still assume no triangle crosses the plane of any other triangle.

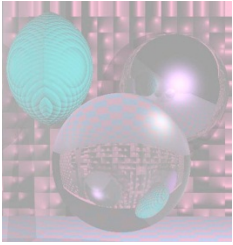
Let $f_i(\mathbf{P}) = 0$ be the equation of the plane containing T_i .

The *BSPTREE* has a node for each triangle with T_1 at the root.

At the node for T_i ,

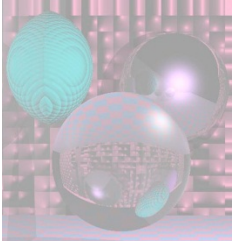
the minus subtree contains all the triangles whose vertices have $f_i(\mathbf{P}) < 0$

the plus subtree contains all the triangles whose vertices have $f_i(\mathbf{P}) > 0$.



BSP on a non-Simple Scene

```
function draw(bsptree tree, point  $e$ )  
if (tree.empty) then  
    return  
if ( $f_{tree.root}(e) < 0$ ) then  
    draw(tree.plus,  $e$ )  
    render tree.triangle  
    draw(tree.minus,  $e$ )  
else  
    draw(tree.minus,  $e$ )  
    render tree.triangle  
    draw(tree.plus,  $e$ )
```



2D BSP Trees Demo

<http://www.symbolcraft.com/graphics/bsp/index.php>

This is a demo in 2 dimensions.

The objects are line segments.

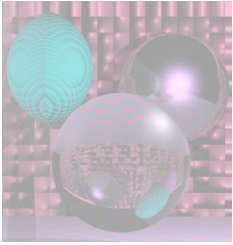
The dividing hyperplanes are lines.

Building the BSP Tree

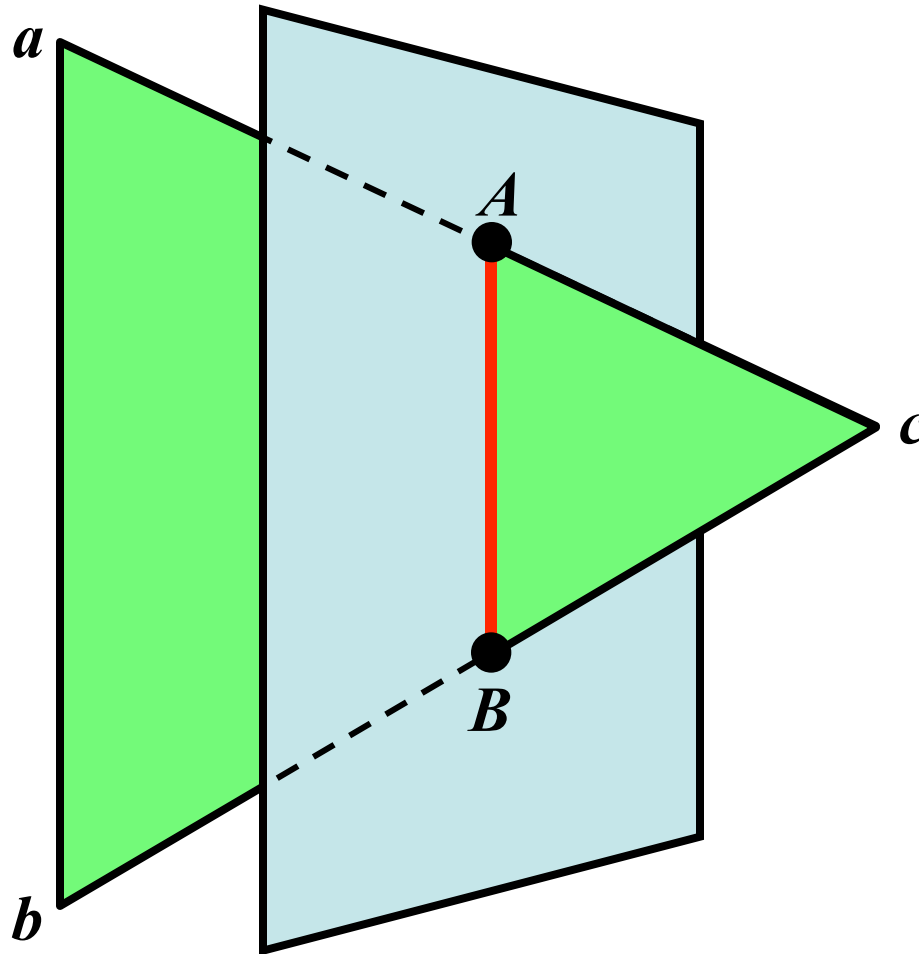
We still assume no triangle crosses the plane of another triangle.

```
tree = node( $T_1$ )
for  $I$  in  $\{2, \dots, N\}$  do tree.add( $T_i$ )

function add (triangle  $T$ )
if ( $f(a) < 0$  and  $f(b) < 0$  and  $f(c) < 0$ ) then
    if (tree.minus.empty) then
        tree.minus = node( $T$ )
    else
        tree.minus.add( $T$ )
else if ( $f(a) > 0$  and  $f(b) > 0$  and  $f(c) > 0$ ) then
    if (tree.plus.empty) then
        tree.plus = node( $T$ )
    else
        tree.plus.add( $T$ )
```

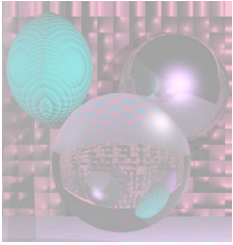


Triangle Crossing a Plane

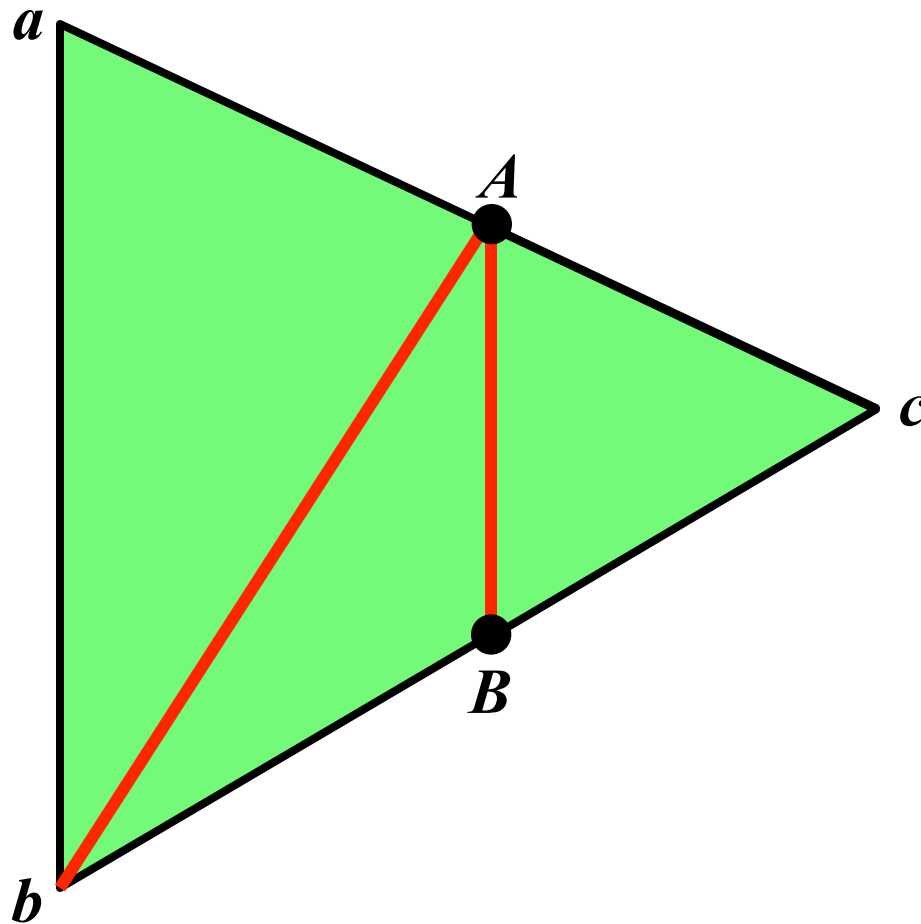


Two vertices, a and b , will be on one side and one, c , on the other side.

Find intercepts, A and B , of the plane with the 2 edges that cross it.

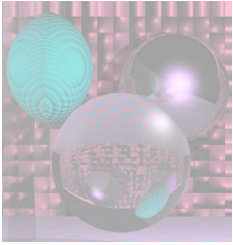


Cutting the Triangle



Cut the triangle into three triangles, none of which cross the cutting plane.

Be careful when one or more of a , b , and c is close to or on the cutting plane.

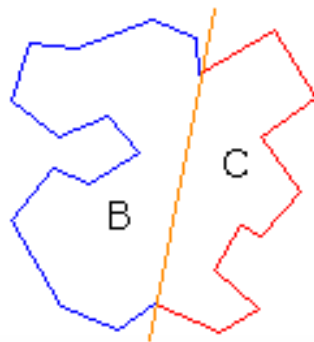


Binary Space Partition of Polygons

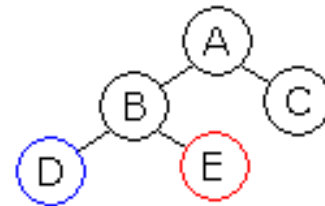
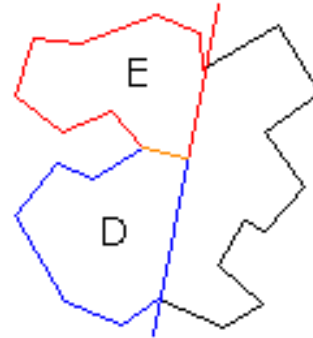
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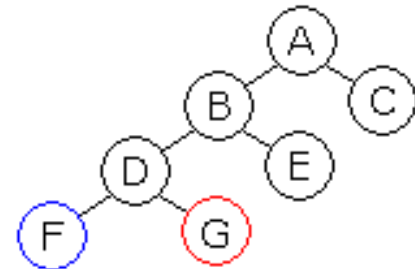
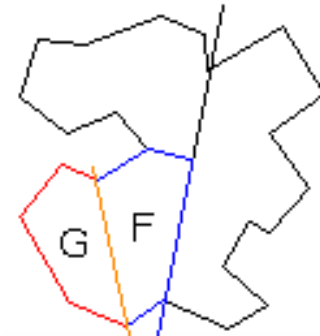
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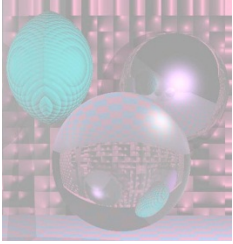


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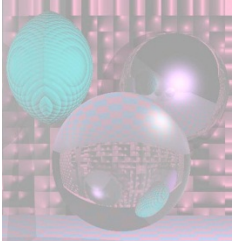
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Scan-Line Algorithm

- Romney, G. W., G. S. Watkins, D. C. Evans, "Real-Time Display of Computer Generated Half-Tone Perspective Pictures", *IFIP*, 1968, 973-978.
- **Scan Line Conversion of Polymesh - like Polyfill**
- **Edge Coherence / Scanline Coherence**
- **1)** Most edges don't hit a given scanline- keep track of those that do.
- **2)** Use the last point on an edge to compute the next one. $x_{i+1} = x_i + 1/m$



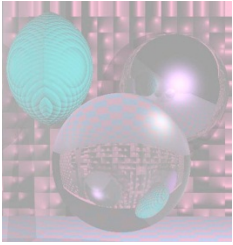
ET – the Edge Table

The **EdgeTable** is for all nonhorizontal edges of all polygons.

ET has buckets based on edges smaller y-coordinate.

Edge Data:

- x-coordinate of smaller y-coordinate
- y-top
- $1/m = \text{delta } x$
- polygon identification #: which polygons the edge belongs to



Polygon Data Structure

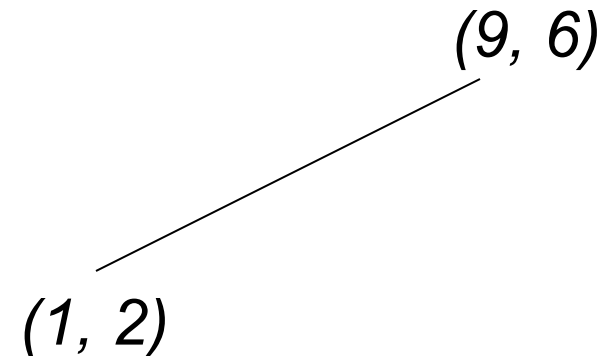
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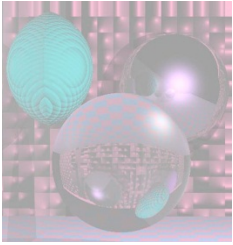
<i>xmin</i>	<i>ymax</i>	$1/m$	• →
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1	6	8/4	• →
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xmin = *x* value at lowest *y*

ymax = highest *y*

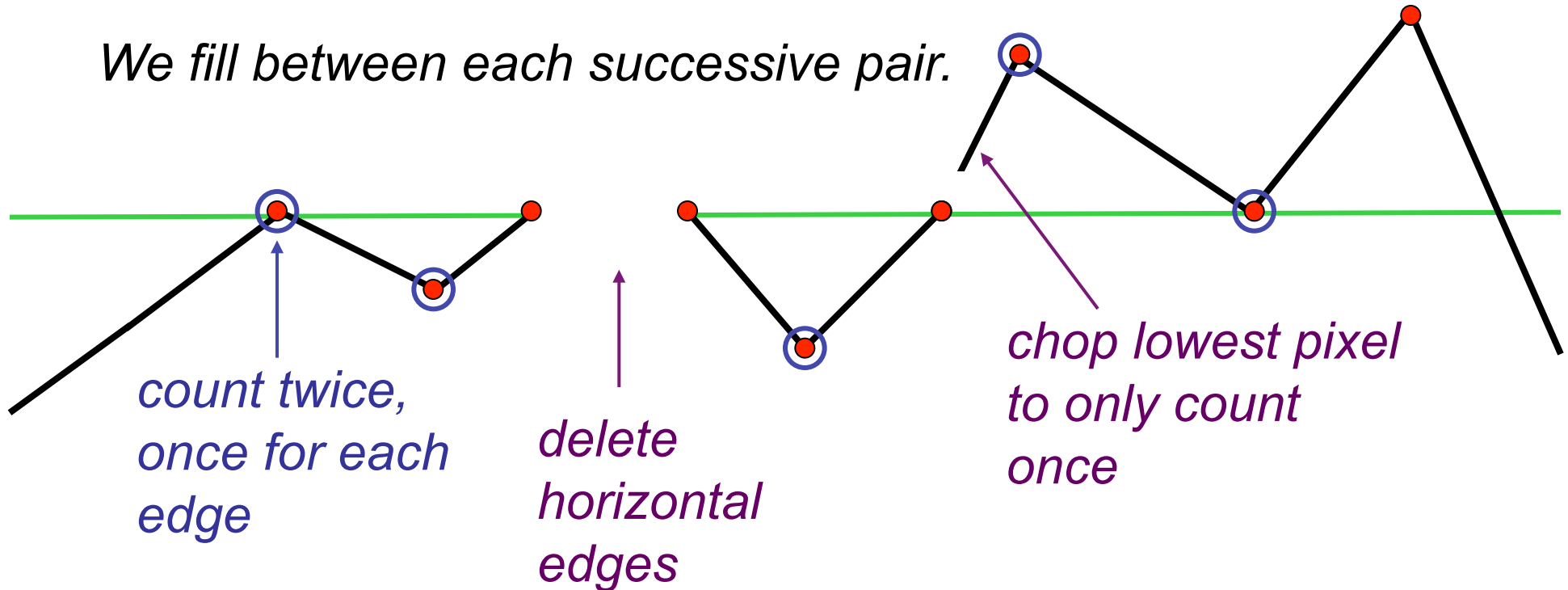


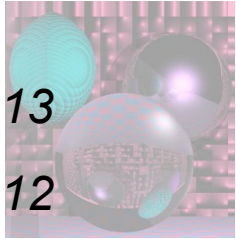


Preprocessing the edges

For a closed polygon, there should be an even number of crossings at each scan line.

We fill between each successive pair.





11 → e6

10

9

8

7 → e3 → e4 → e5

6 → e7 → e8

5

4

3

2

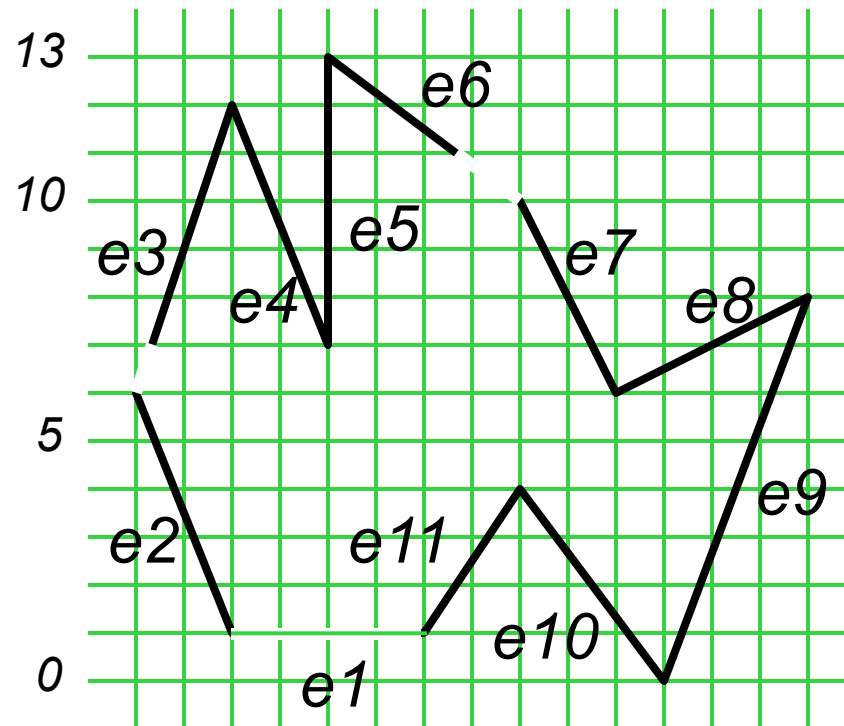
1 → e2 → e11

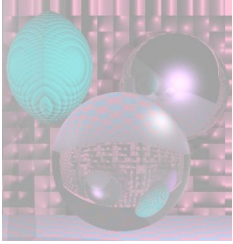
0 → e10 → e9

Polygon Data Structure

after preprocessing

Edge Table (ET) has a list of edges for each scan line.





The Algorithm

1. Start with smallest nonempty y value in ET.
2. Initialize SLB (Scan Line Bucket) to *nil*.
3. While current $y \leq$ top y value:
 - a. Merge y bucket from ET into SLB; sort on x_{\min} .
 - b. Fill pixels between rounded pairs of x values in SLB.
 - c. Remove edges from SLB whose $y_{\text{top}} =$ current y .
 - d. Increment x_{\min} by $1/m$ for edges in SLB.
 - e. Increment y by 1.



11 → e6

7 → e3 → e4 → e5

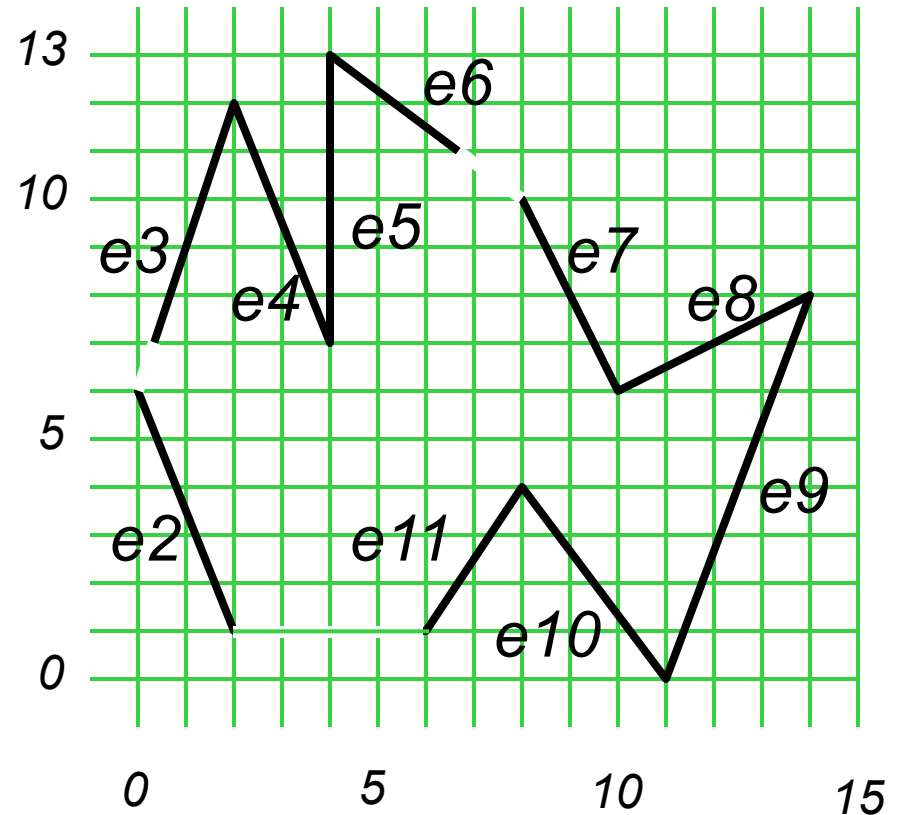
6 → e7 ve8

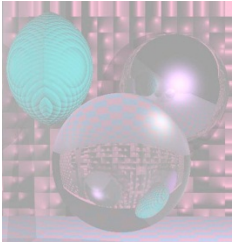
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0 → e10 → e9

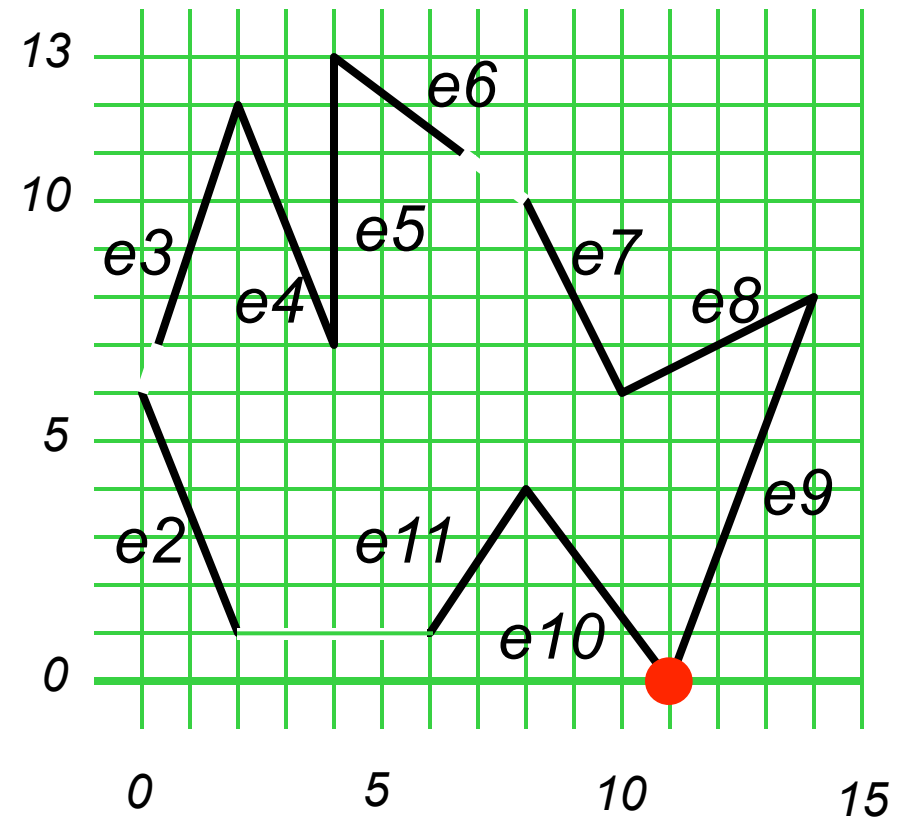
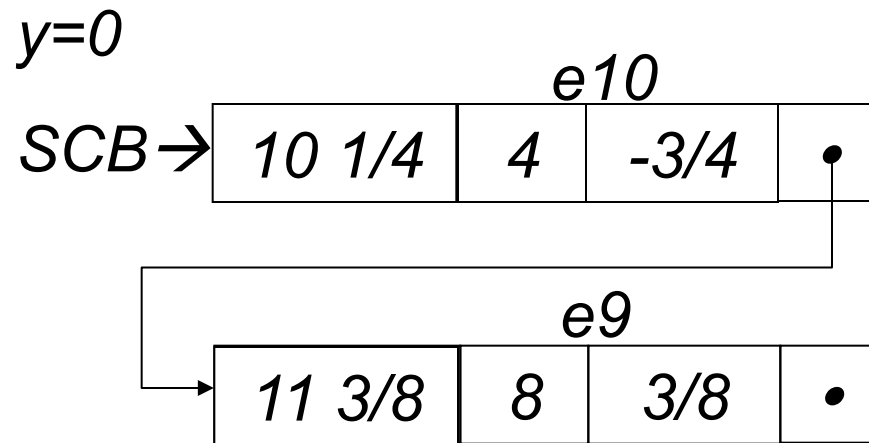
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e5	4	13	0
e6	6 2/3	13	-4/3
e7	10	10	-1/2
e8	10	8	2
e9	11	8	3/8
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e11	6	4	2/3

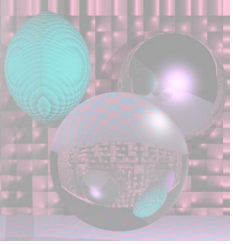
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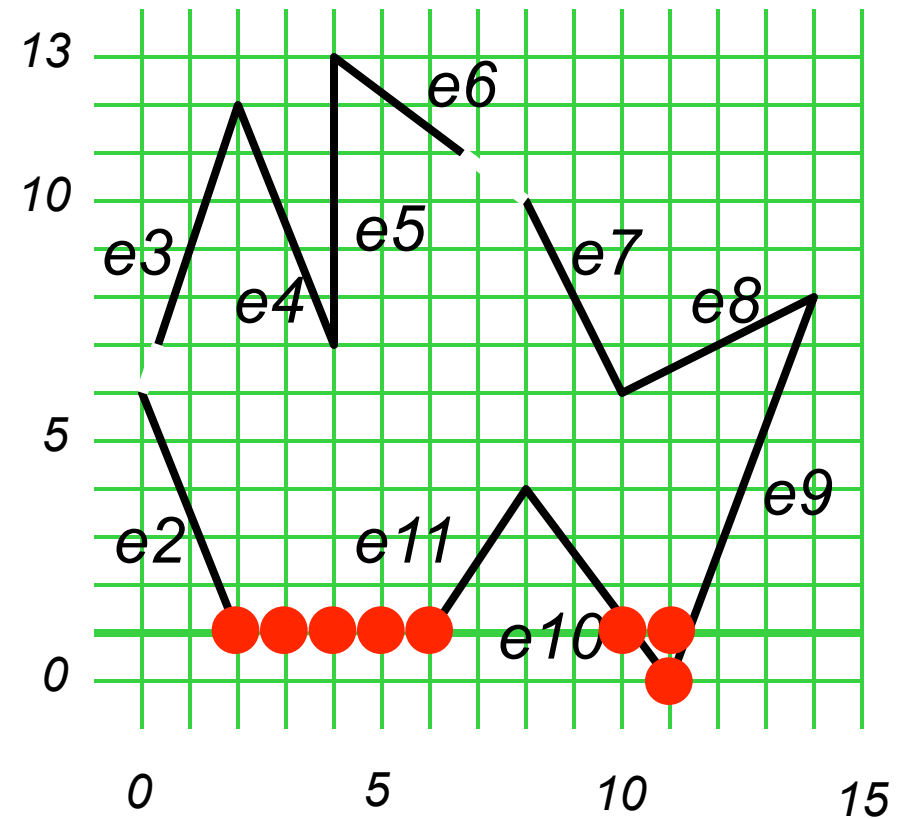
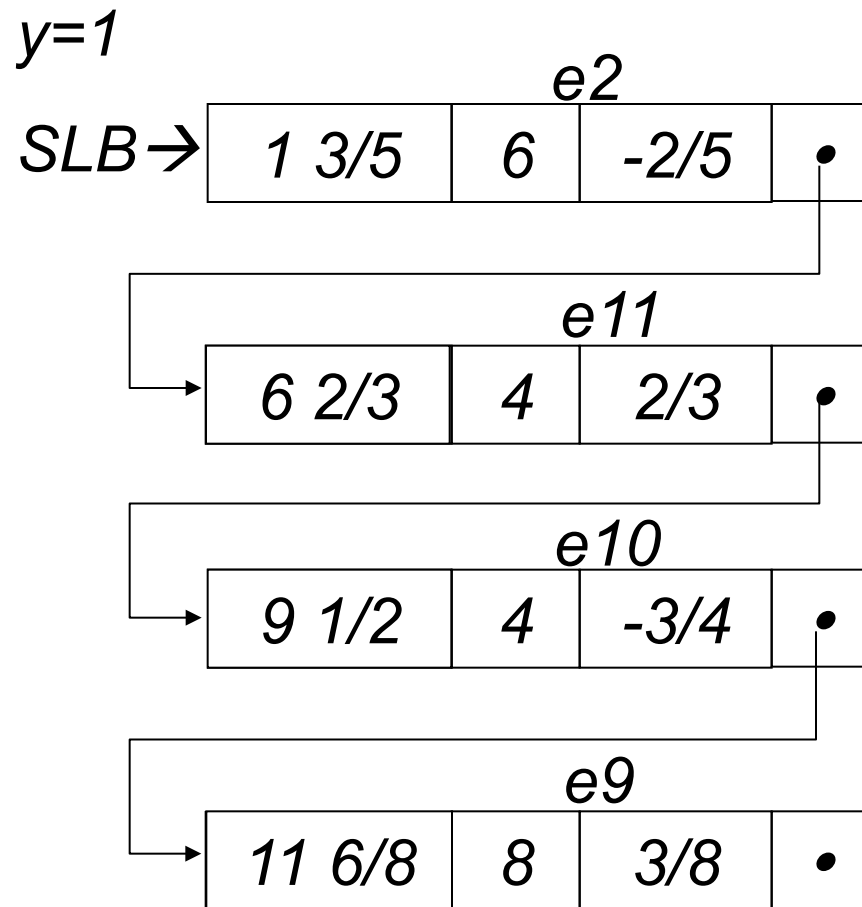


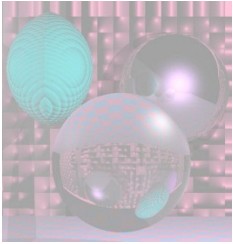
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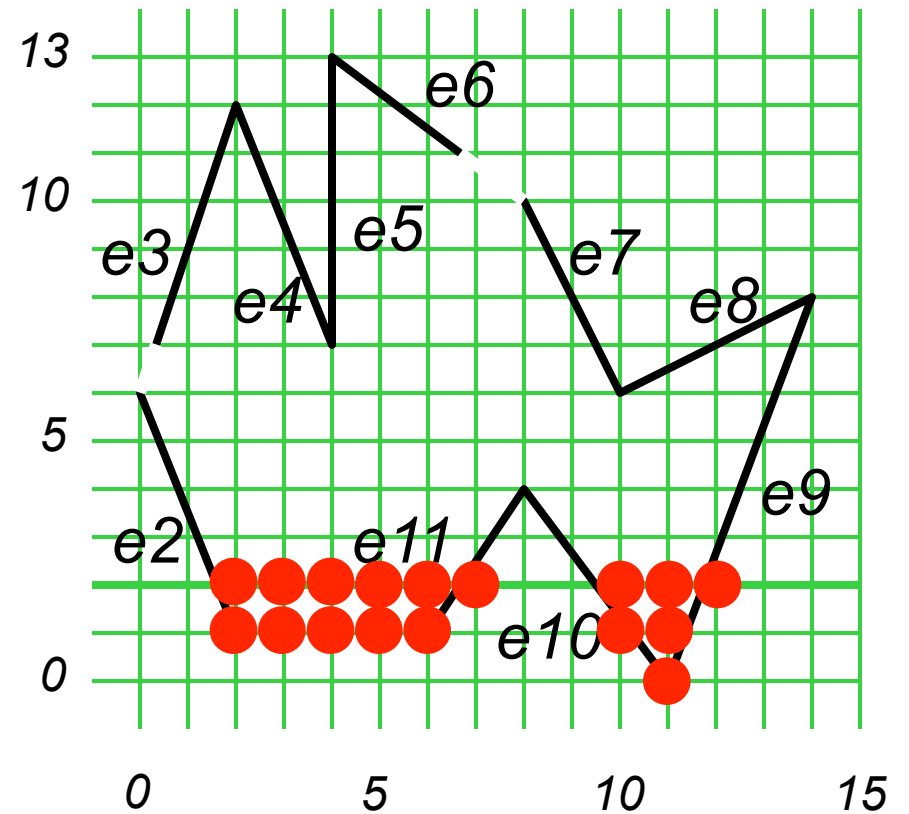
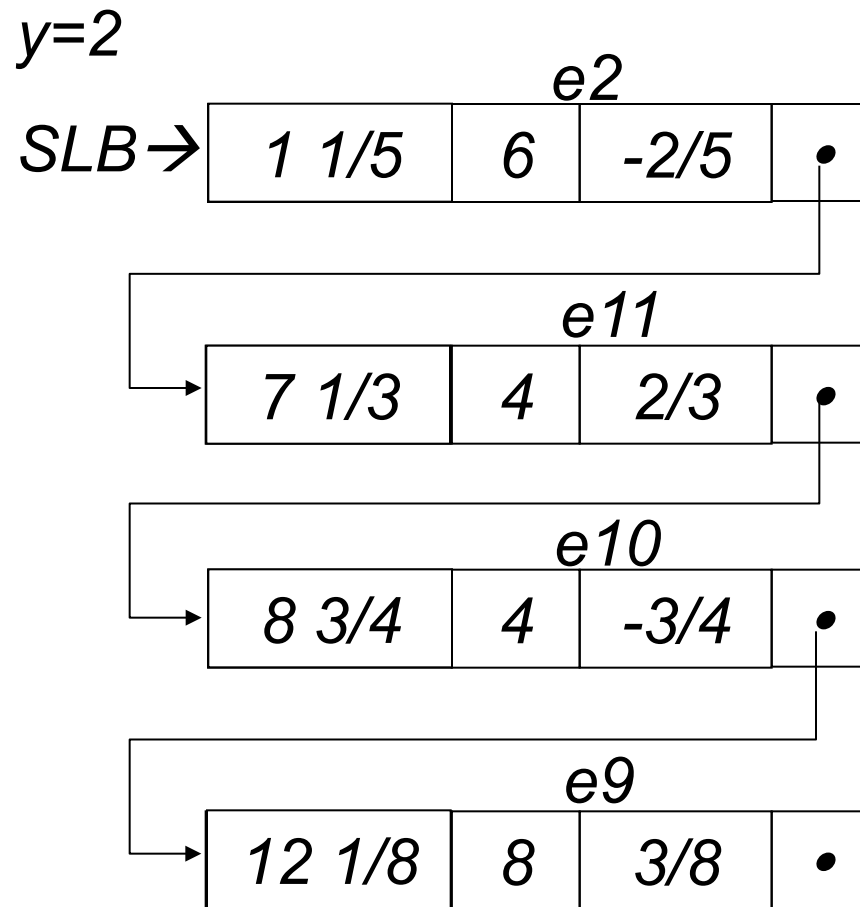


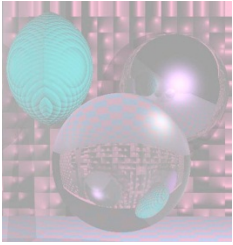
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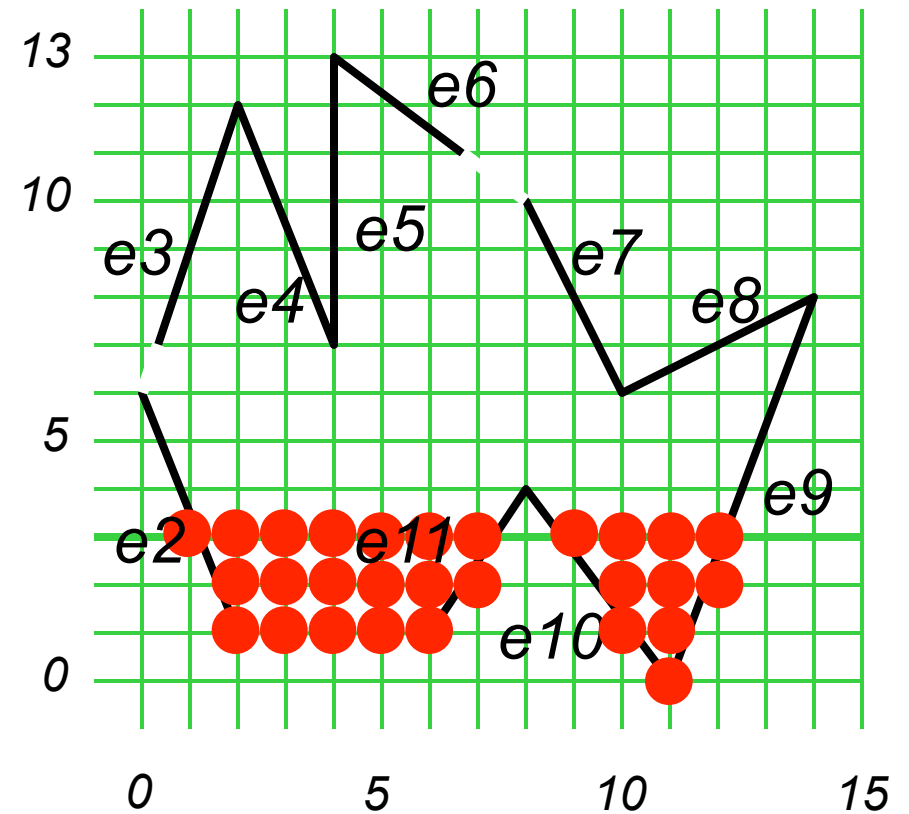
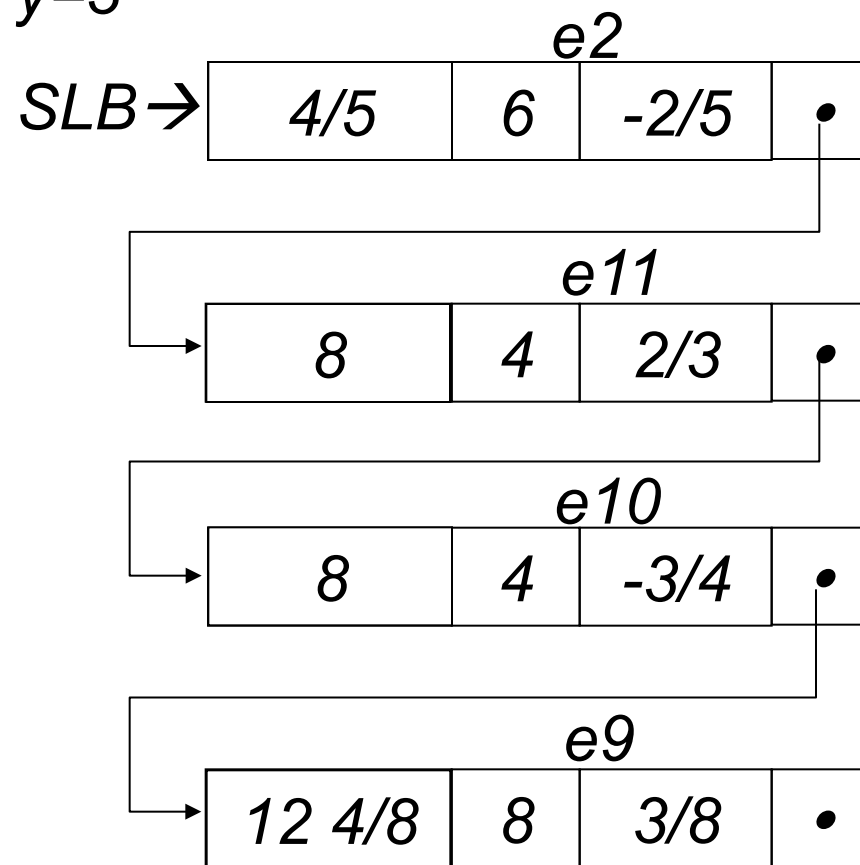
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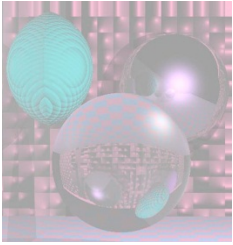




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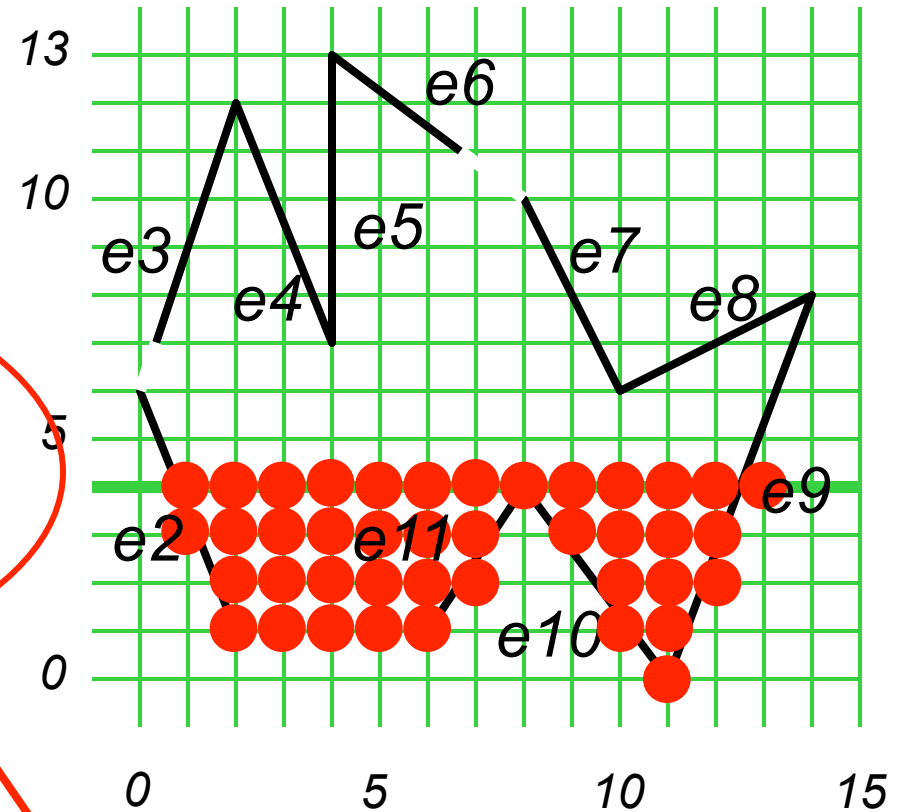
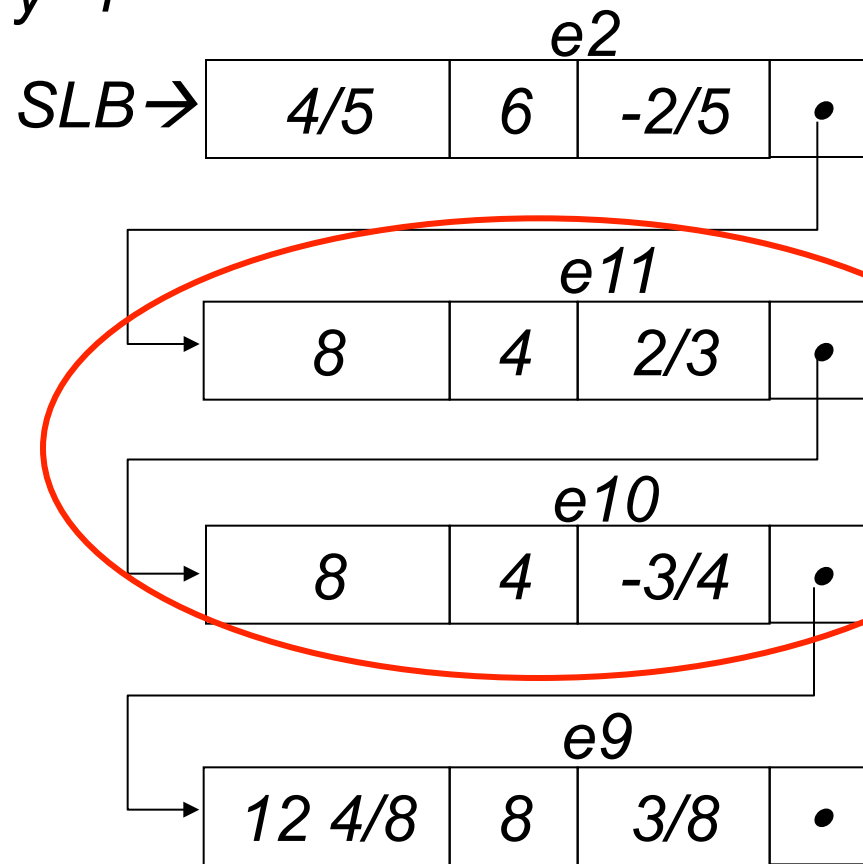
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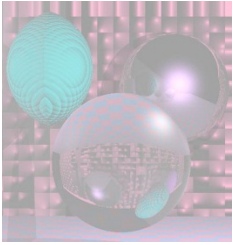


Running the Algorithm

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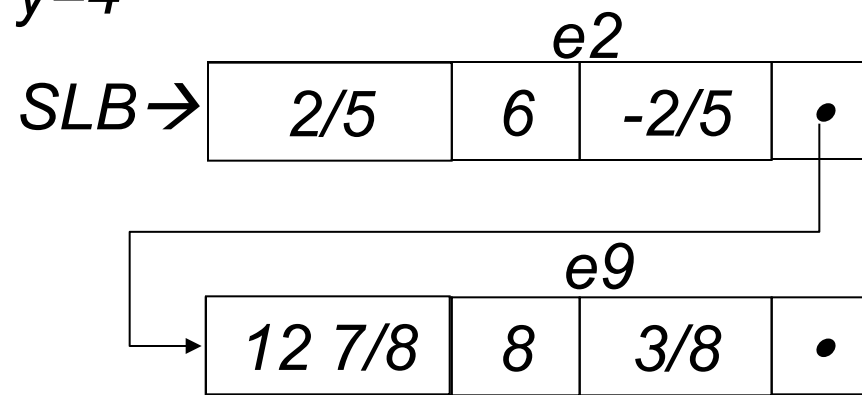


Remove these edges.

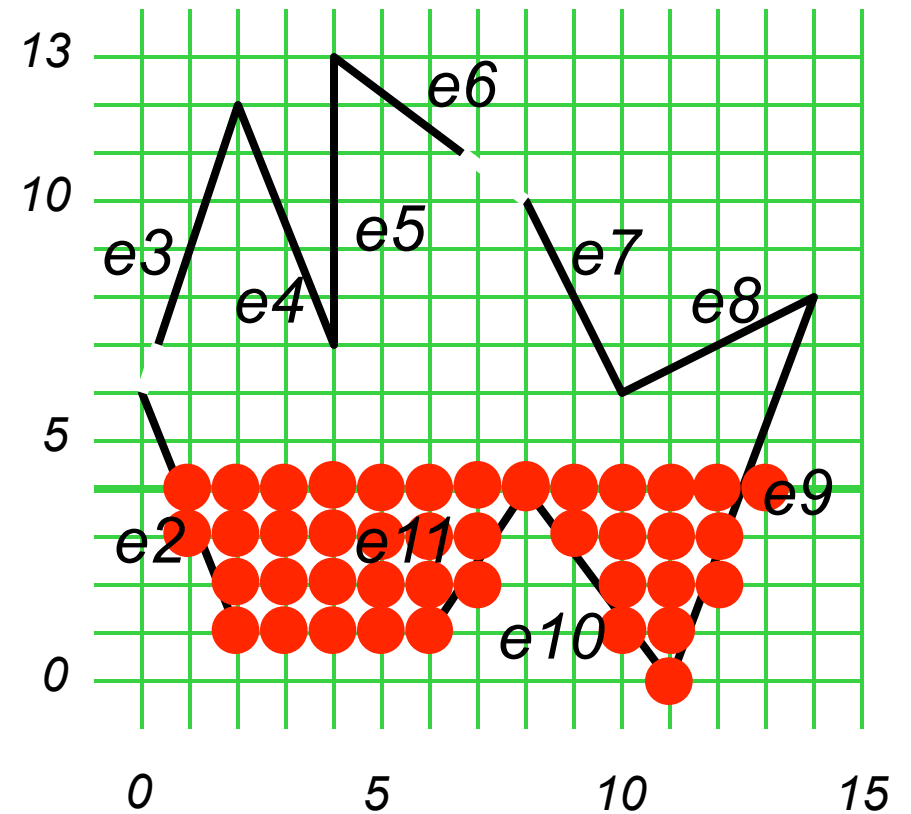


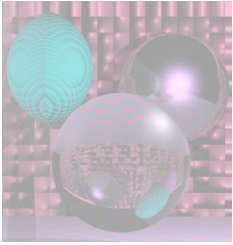
Running the Algorithm

$y=4$



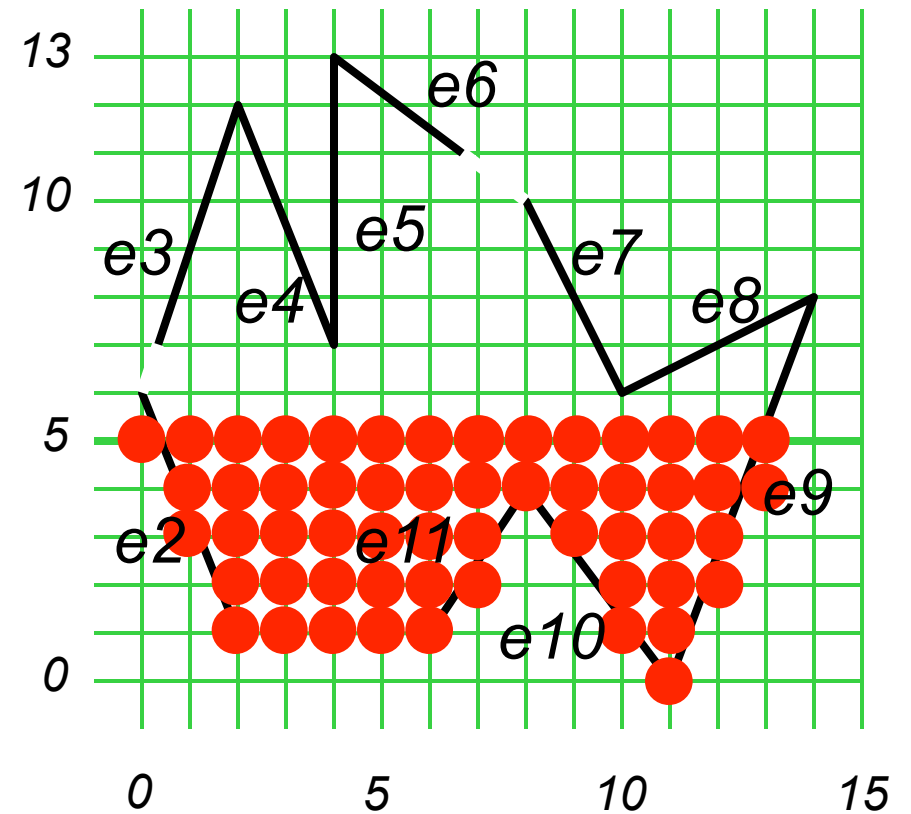
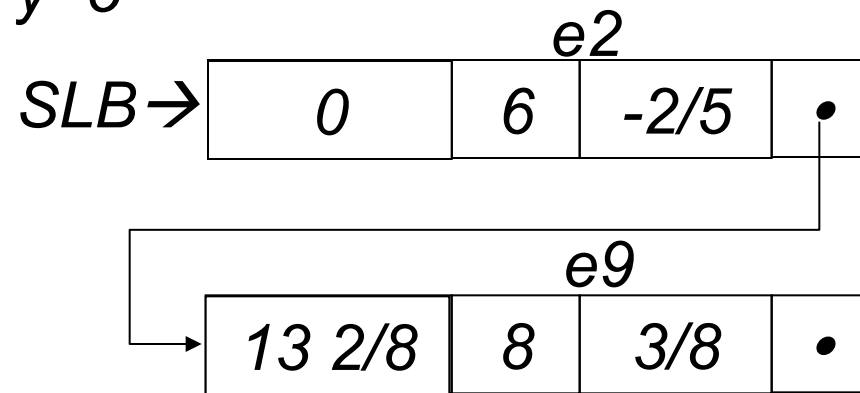
e_{11} and e_{10} are removed.

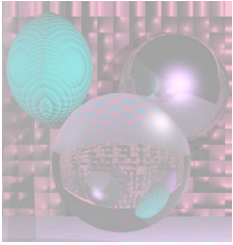




Running the Algorithm

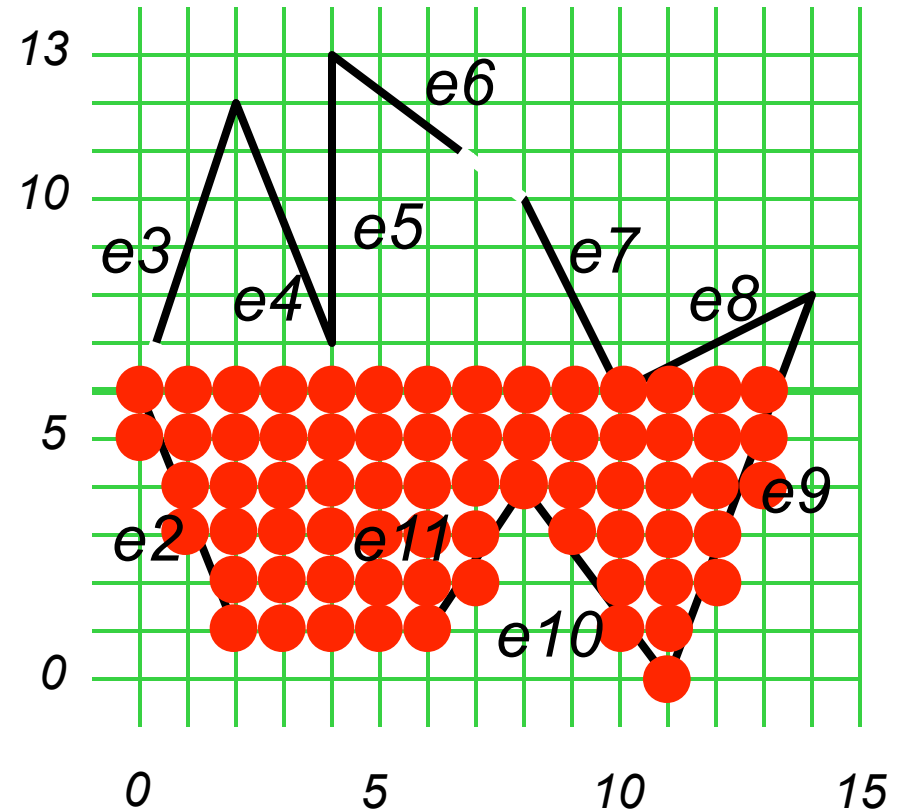
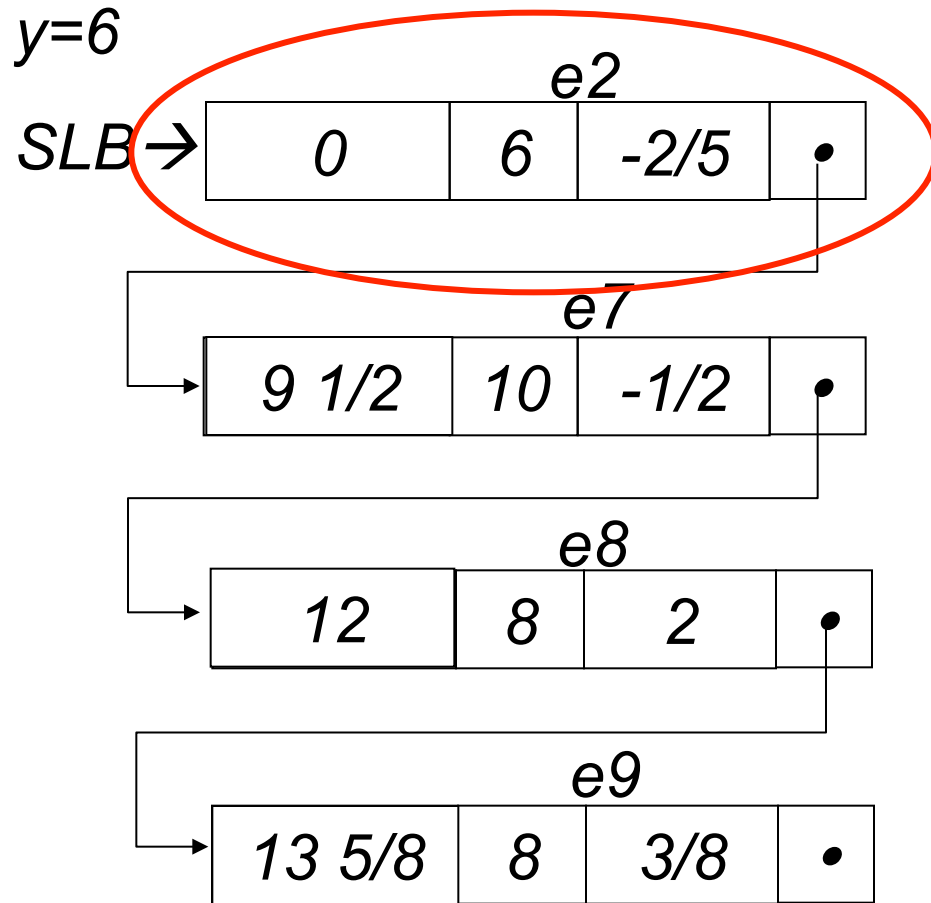
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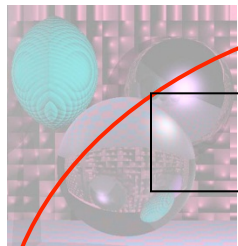




Remove this edge.

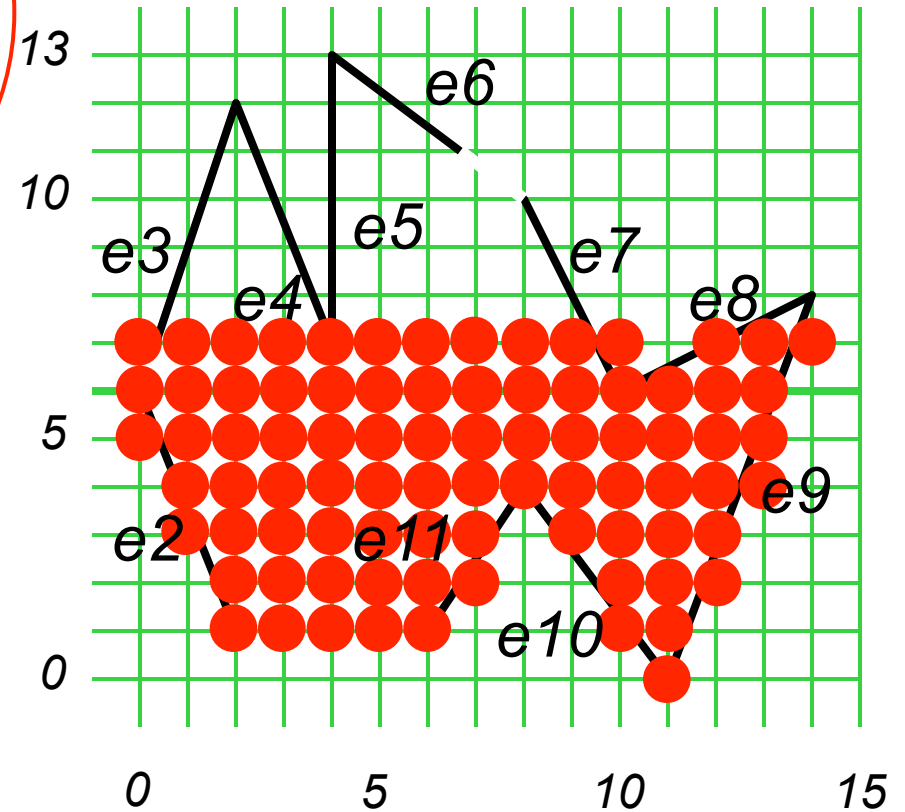
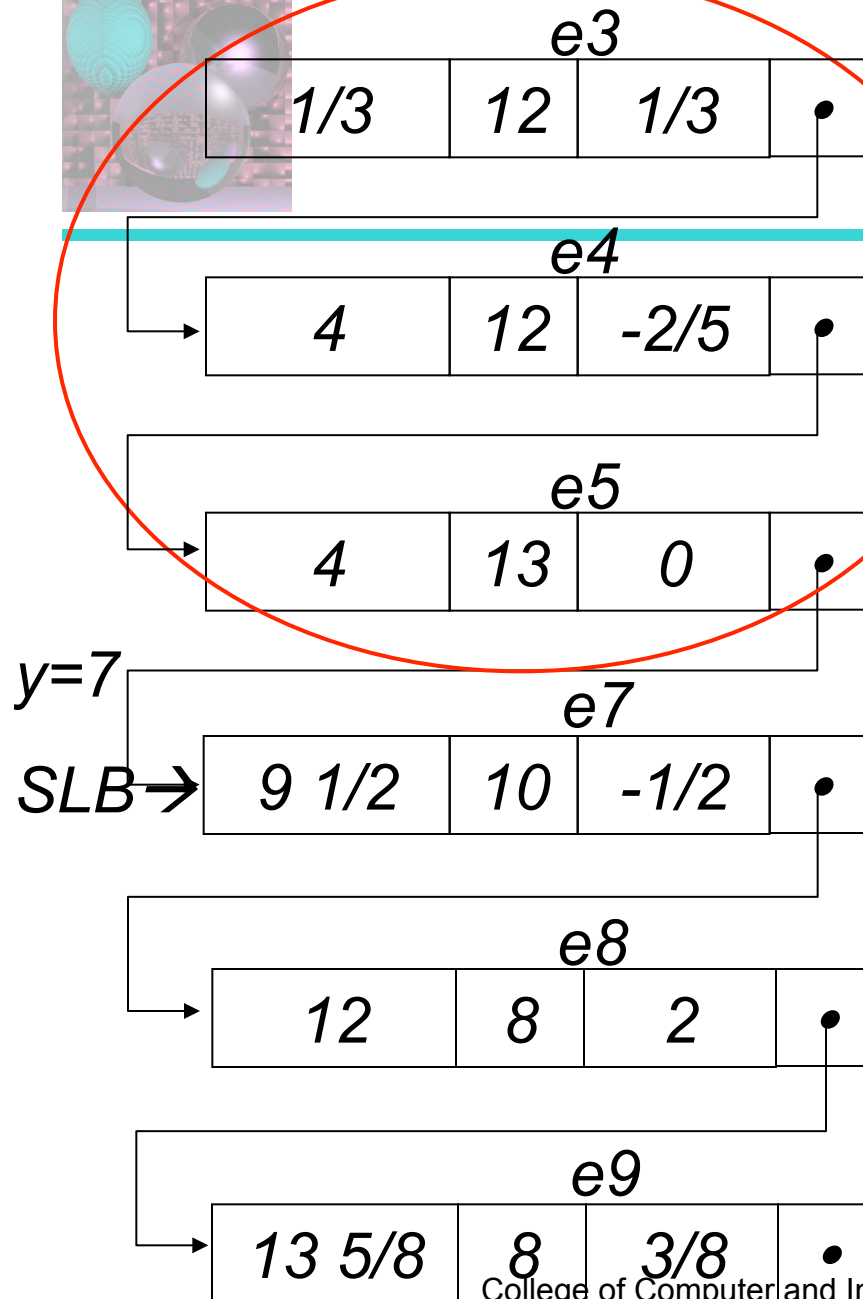
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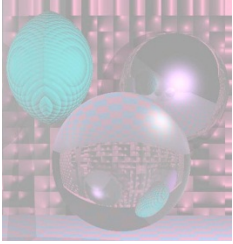




Add these edges.

Running the Algorithm





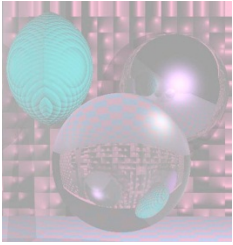
Polygon Table

Polygon Table

A, B, C, D of the plane equation
shading or color info (e.g. color and N)
in (out) boolean

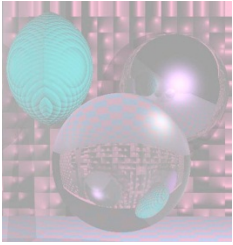
initialized to false (= *out*) at start of scanline

z – at lowest y, x



Coherence

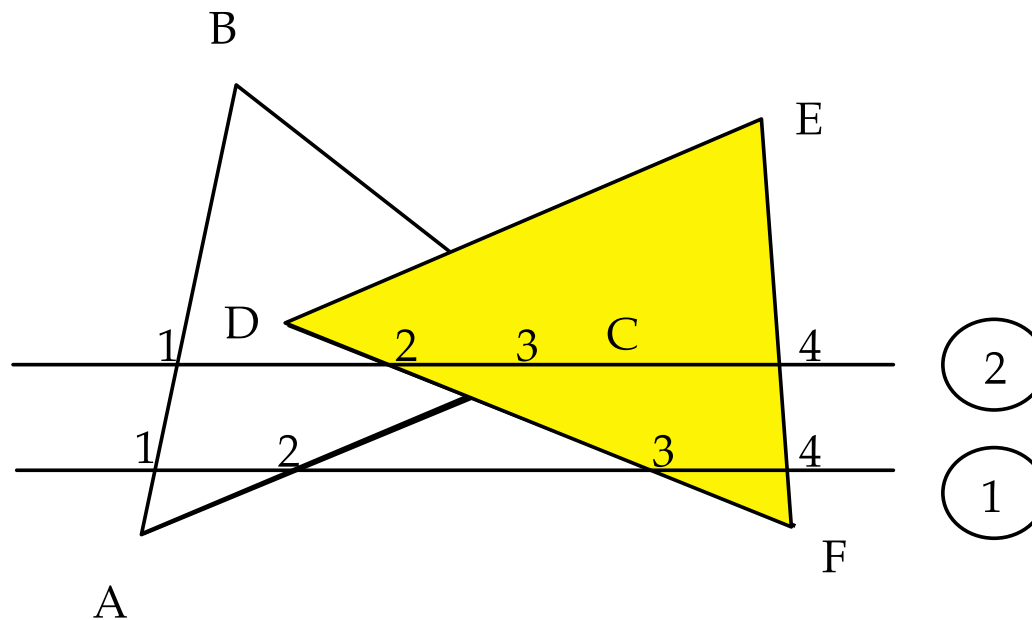
- Non-penetrating polygons maintain their relative z values.
 - If the polygons penetrate, add a false edge.
- If there is no change in edges from one scanline to the next, and no change in order wrt x , then no new computations of z are needed.

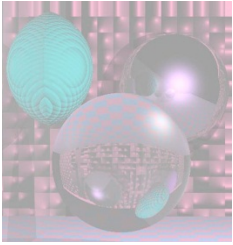


Active Edge Table

Keep in order of increasing x .

At (1) AET \rightarrow AB \rightarrow AC \rightarrow DF \rightarrow EF

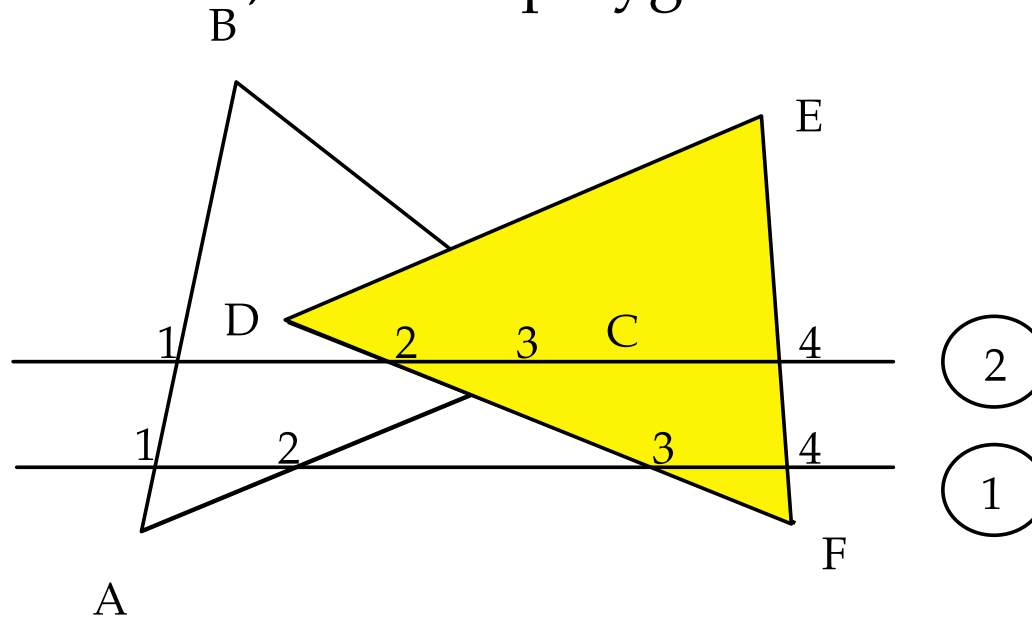


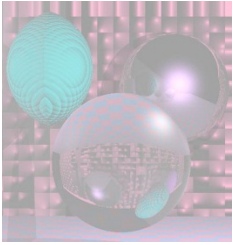


Running the Algorithm 1

If more than one *in* is true, compute the z values at that point to see which polygon is furthest forward.

If only one *in* is true, use that polygon's color and shading.



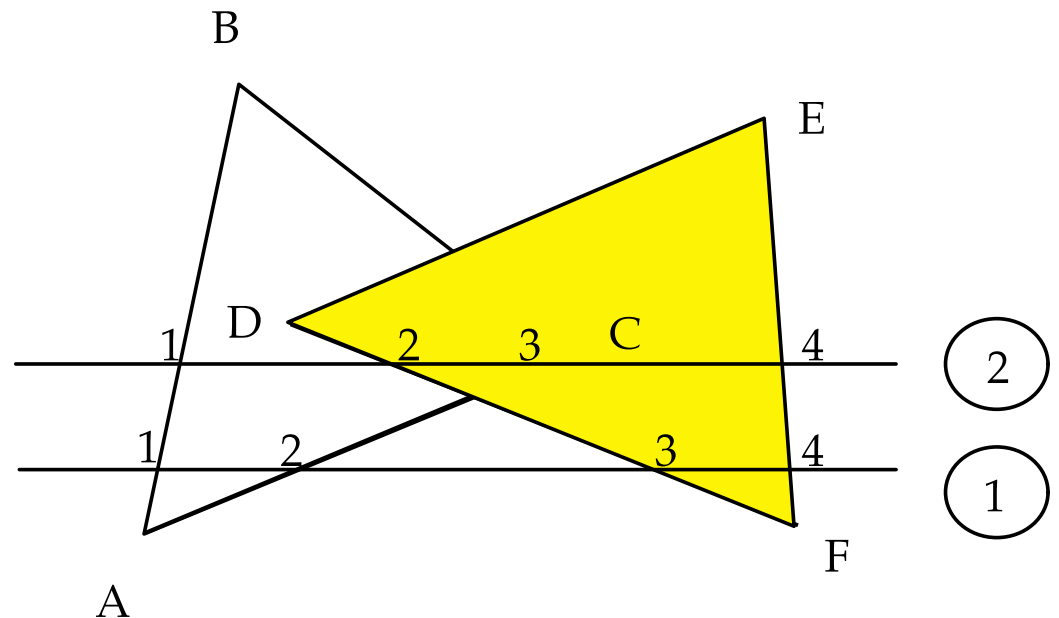


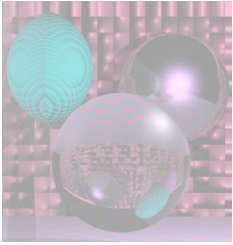
Running the Algorithm 2

On crossing an edge
set *in* of polygons with that edge to **not in**.

At (2) AET \rightarrow AB \rightarrow DF \rightarrow AC EF

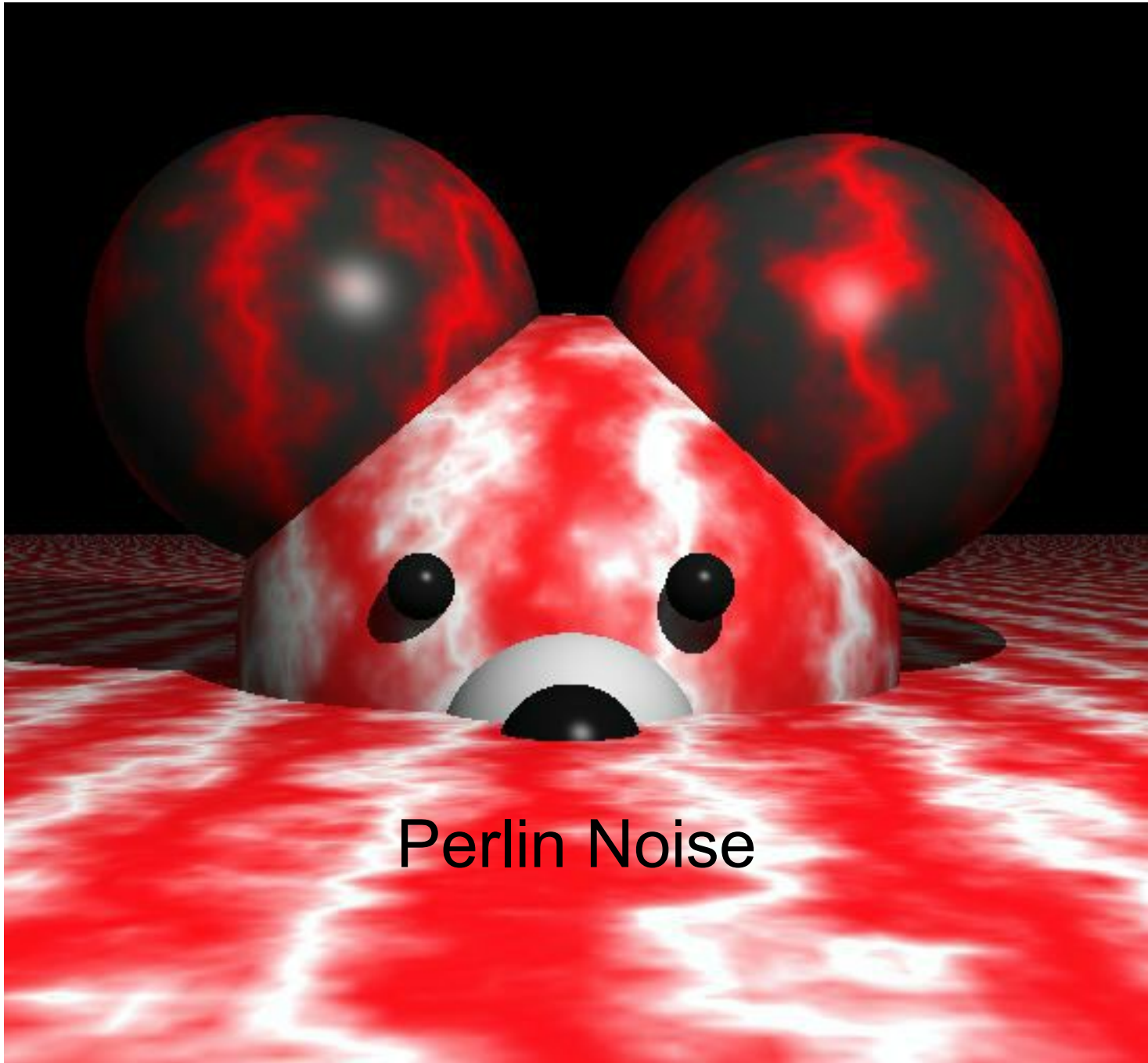
If there is a third polygon, GHIJ behind the other two, after edge AC is passed at level (2) there is no need to evaluate z again - if the polygons do not pierce each other.



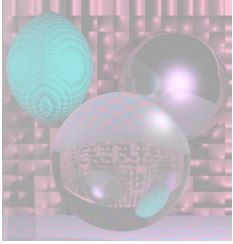


Time for a Break



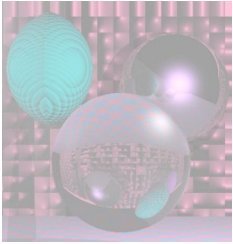


Perlin Noise



Noise Reference Links

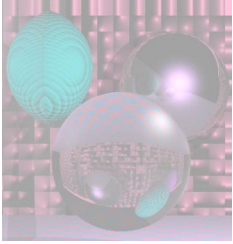
- [Perlin Noise by Ken Perlin](#)
- [Perlin Noise by Hugo Elias](#)
- [Paul Bourke Texture and Colour ala Perlin](#)



The Oscar™

To Ken Perlin for the development of Perlin Noise, a technique used to produce natural appearing textures on computer generated surfaces for motion picture visual effects.

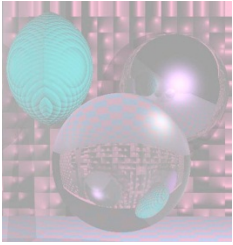




The Movies

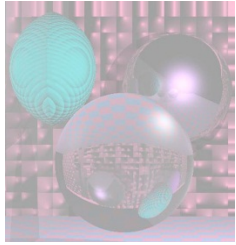
- James Cameron Movies (Abyss, Titanic, ...)
- Animated Movies (Lion King, Moses, ...)
- Arnold Movies (T2, True Lies, ...)
- Star Wars Episode I
- Star Trek Movies
- Batman Movies
- *and lots of others*

In fact, after around 1990 or so, *every* Hollywood effects film has used it.

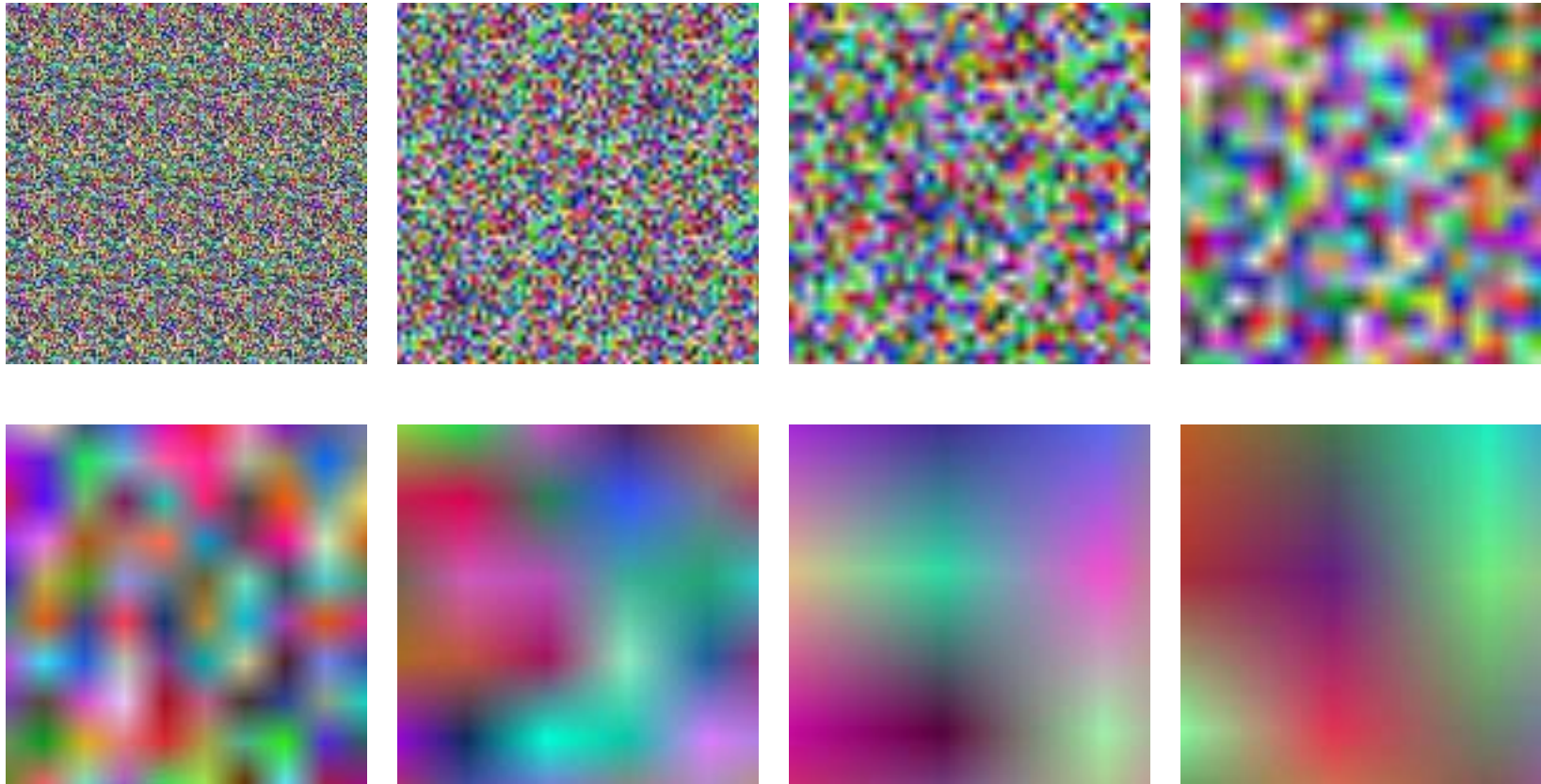


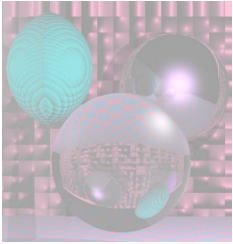
What is Noise?

- Noise is a mapping from \mathbb{R}^n to \mathbb{R} - you input an n-dimensional point with real coordinates, and it returns a real value.
- $n=1$ for animation
- $n=2$ cheap texture hacks
- $n=3$ less-cheap texture hacks
- $n=4$ time-varying solid textures

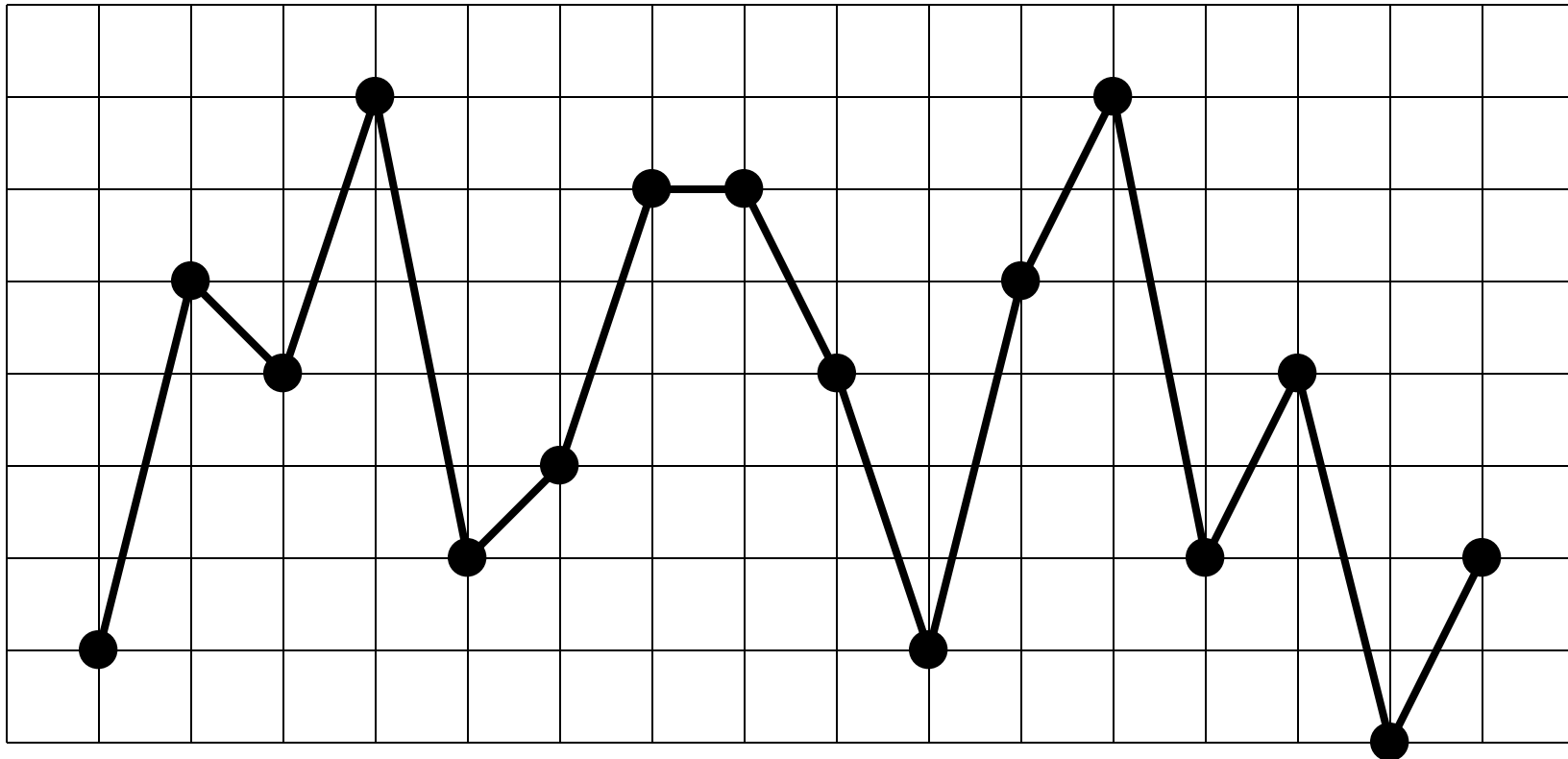


Noise is Smooth Randomness

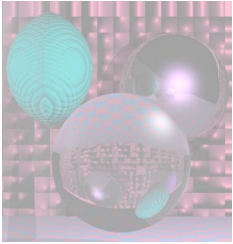




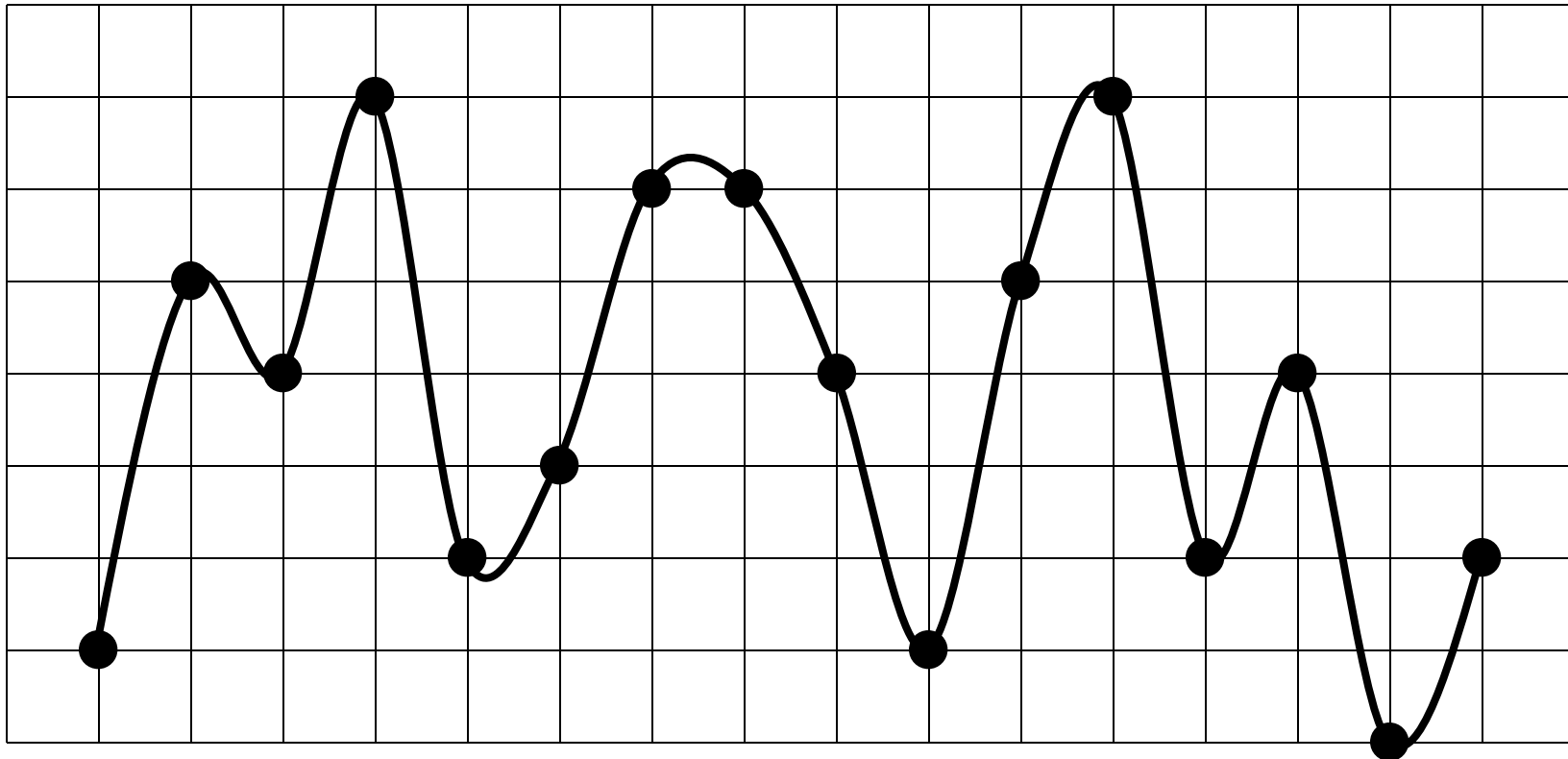
Making Linear Noise



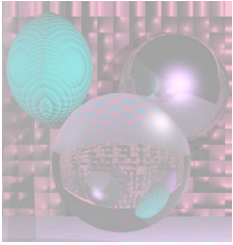
1. Generate random values at grid points.
2. Interpolate linearly between these values.



Making Splined Noise

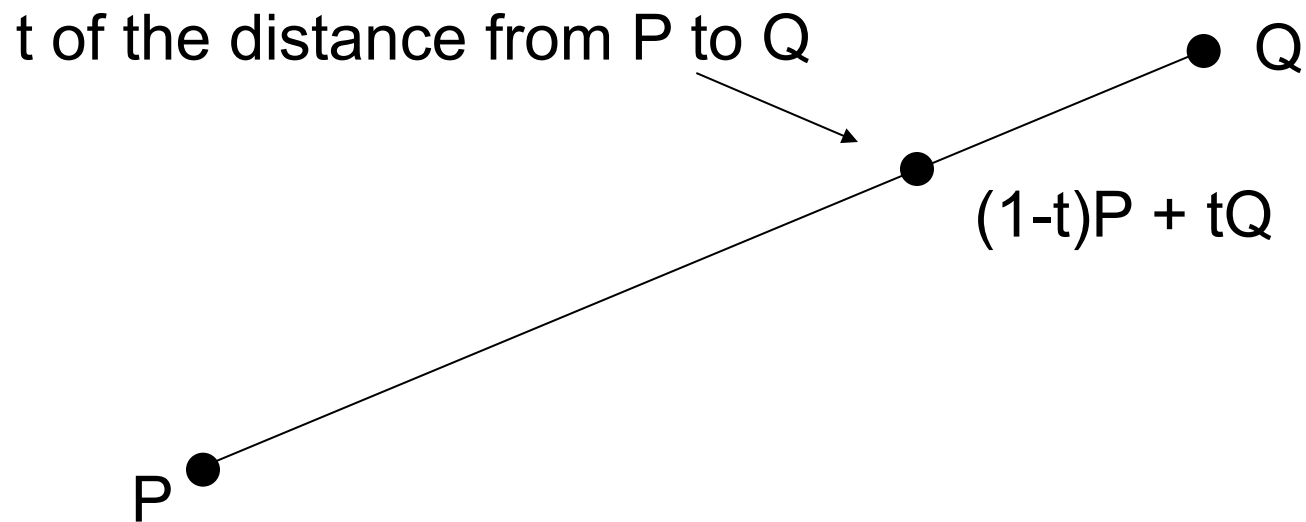


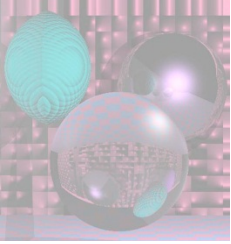
1. Generate random values at grid points.
2. Interpolate smoothly between these values.



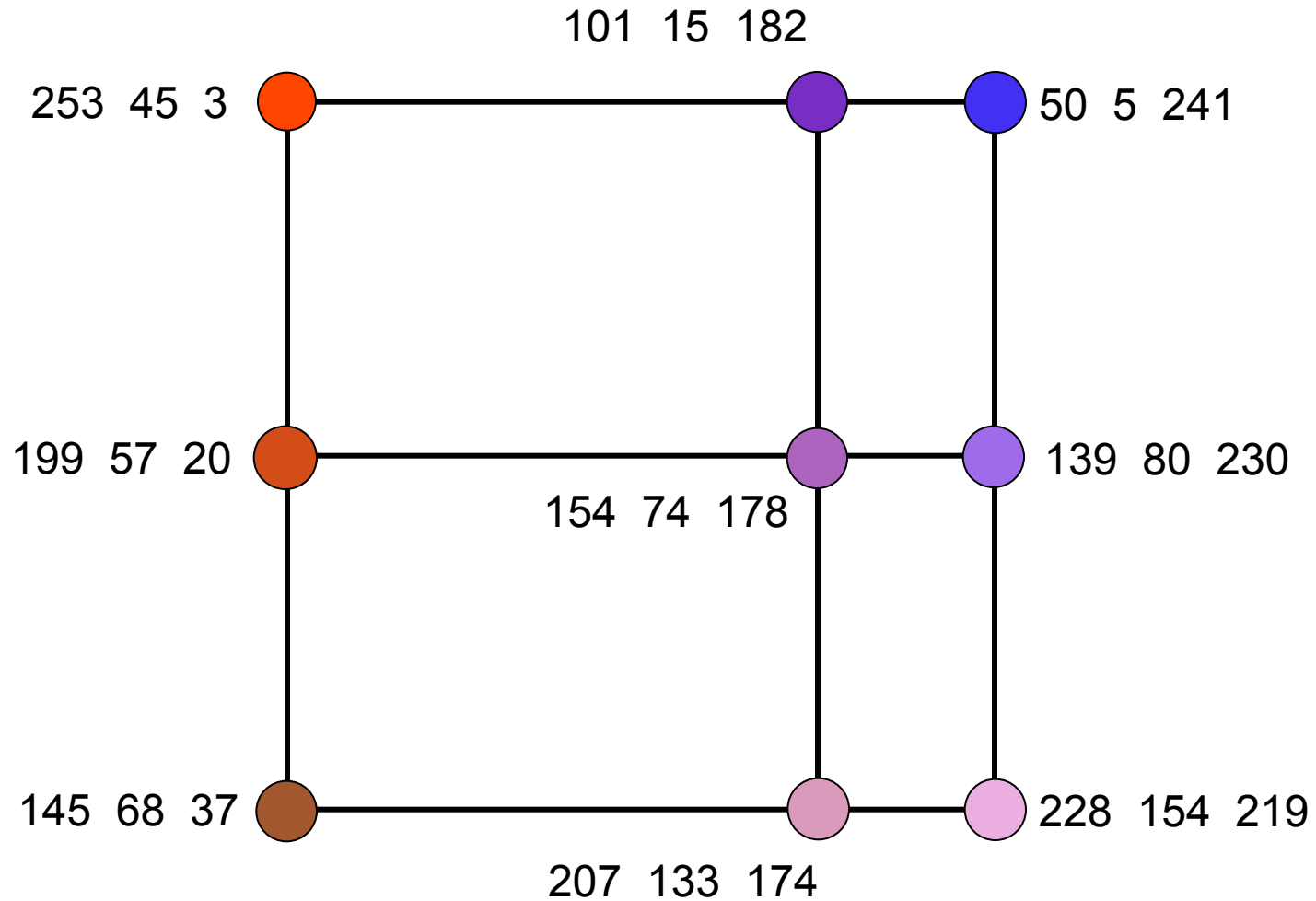
lerping

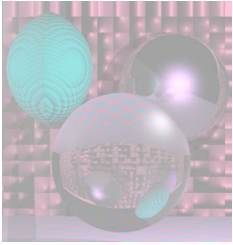
$$\text{lerp}(v1, v2, t) = (1 - t)v1 + tv2$$



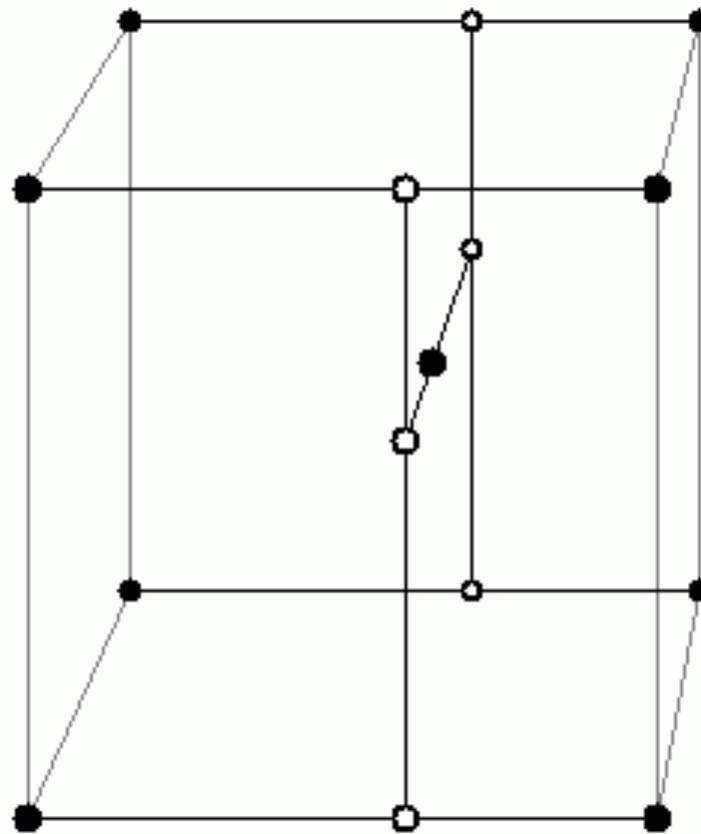


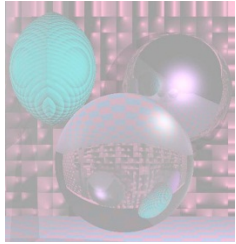
2D Linear Noise



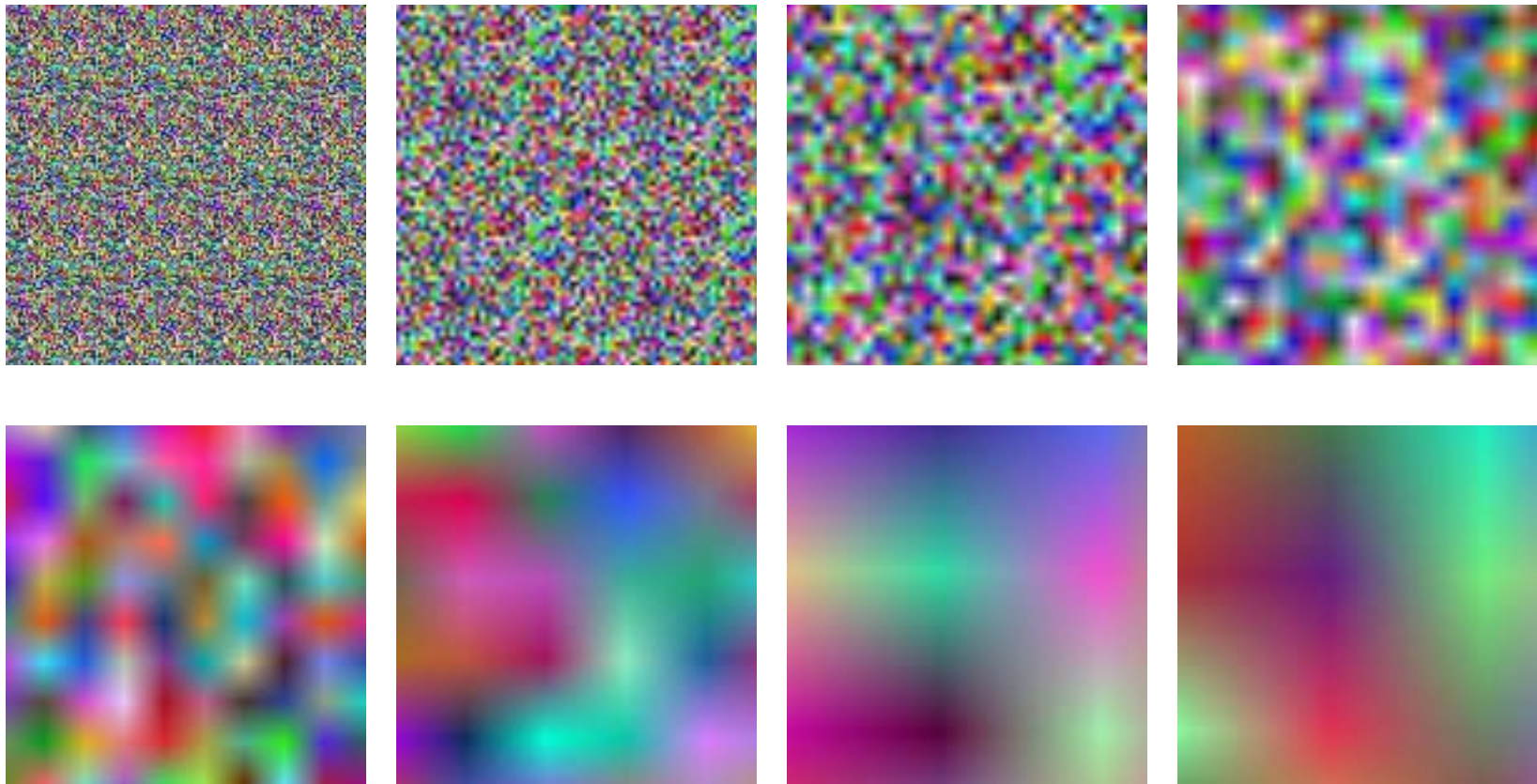


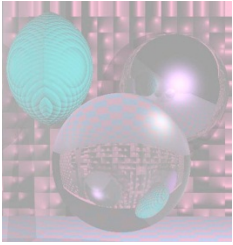
3D Linear Noise



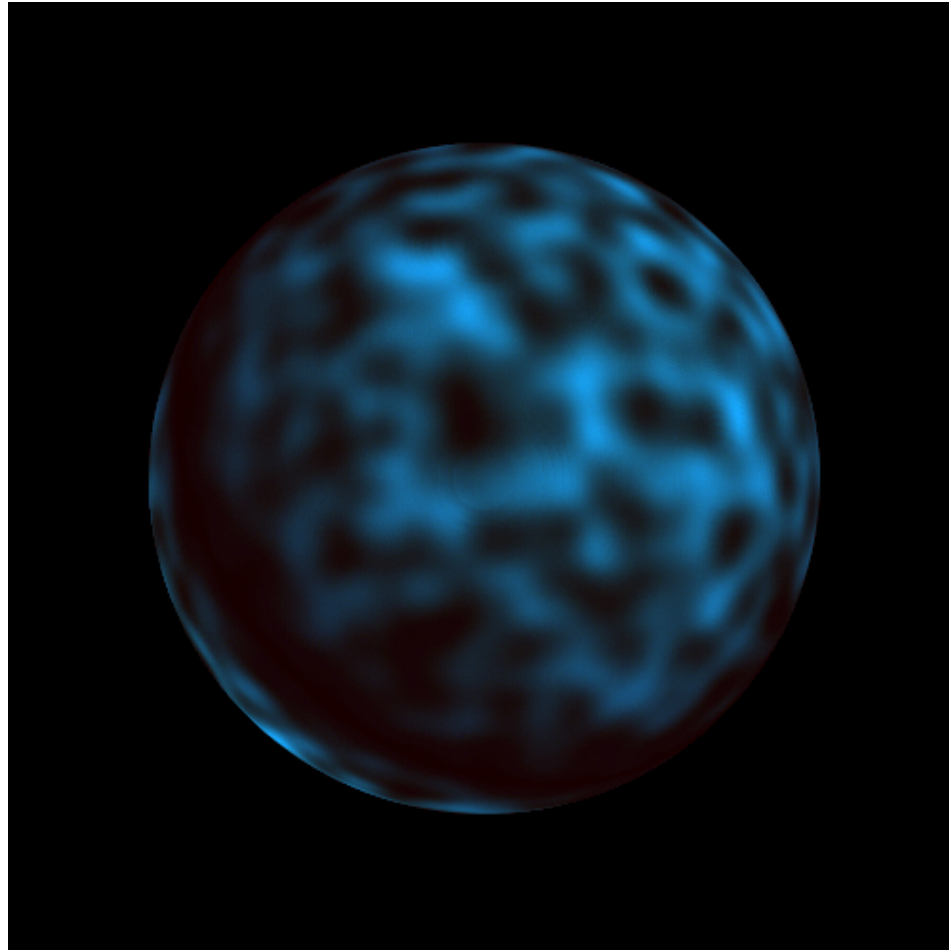


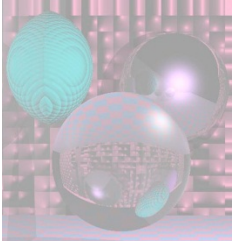
Noise is Smooth Randomness





Perlin Noise Sphere

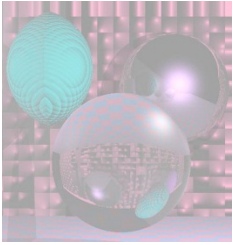




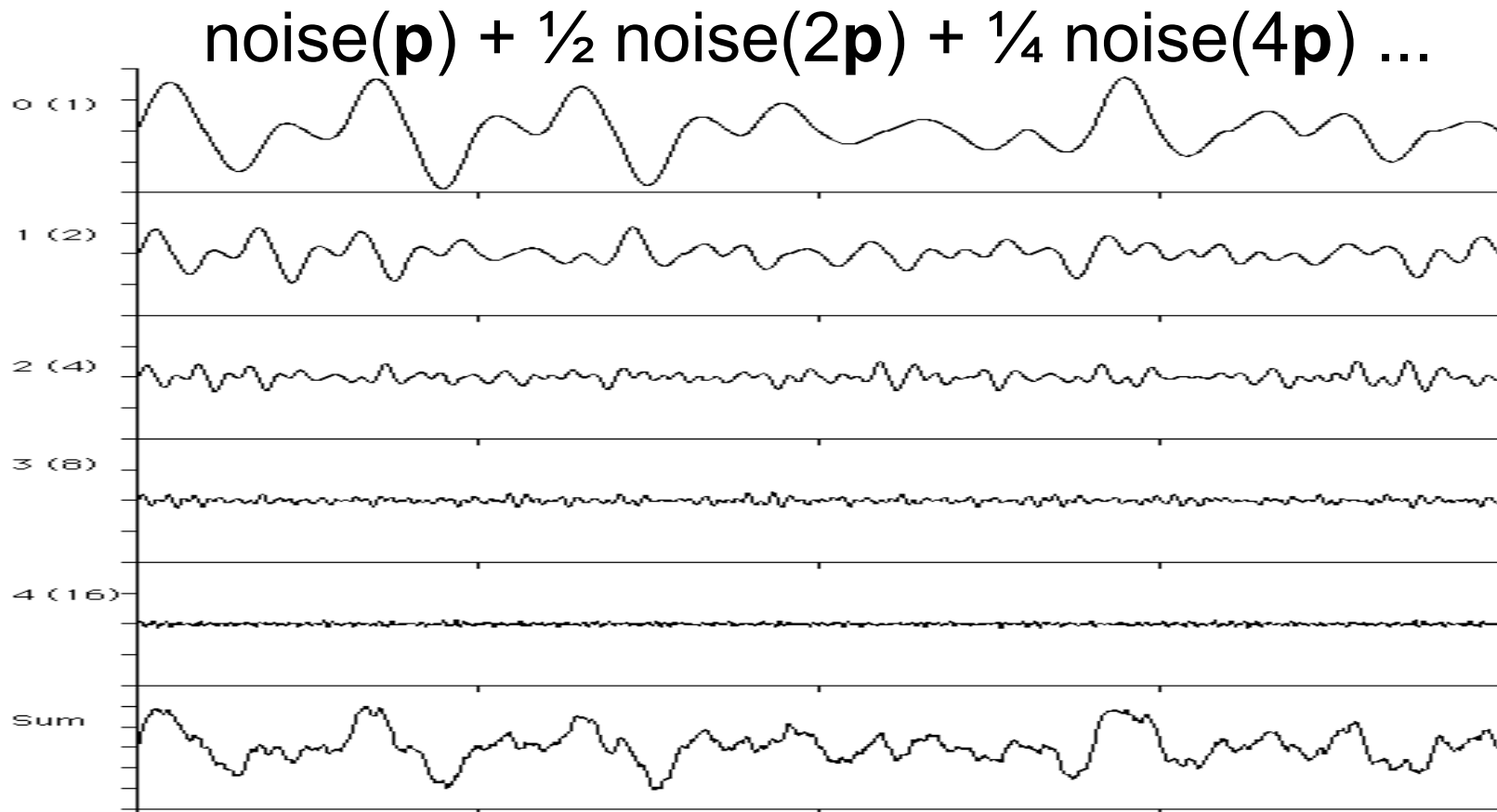
Noise Code

MATLAB Noise Code

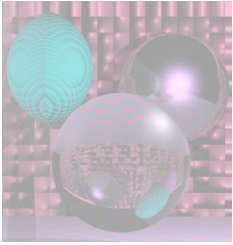
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Turbulence or Sum $1/f^n$ (noise)



[Perlin Noise and Turbulence by Baul Bourke](#)



Turbulence and Persistence

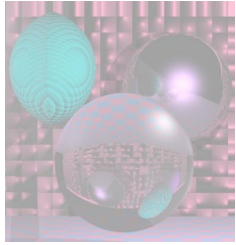
$$\text{Turbulence}(x) = \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} p^i \text{Noise}(b^i x)$$

where n is the smallest integer such that $p^n < \text{size of a pixel}$.

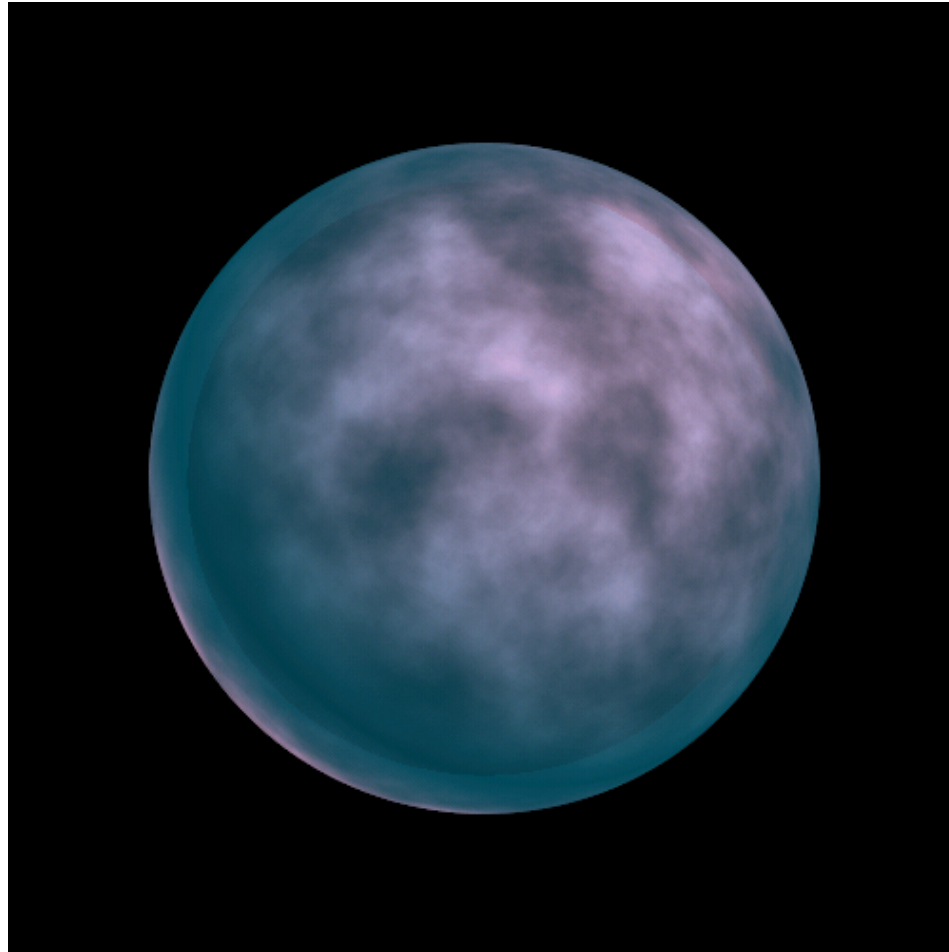
Usually $b = 2$.

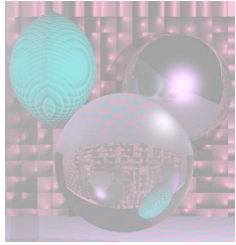
p is the *persistence*, $0 < p \leq 1$.

See [Perlin Noise by Hugo Elias](#) for more about persistence.

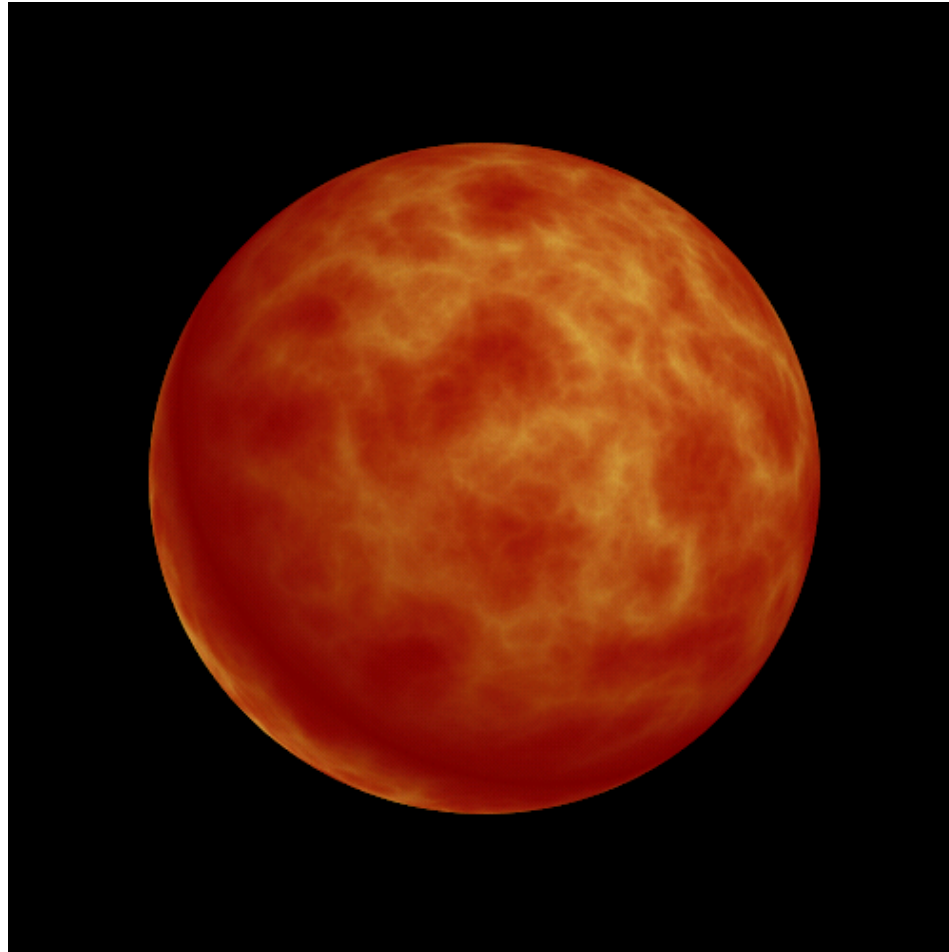


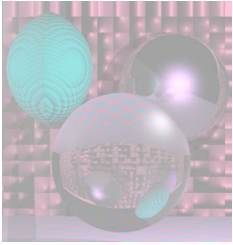
Perlin Sum $1/f(\text{noise})$ Sphere



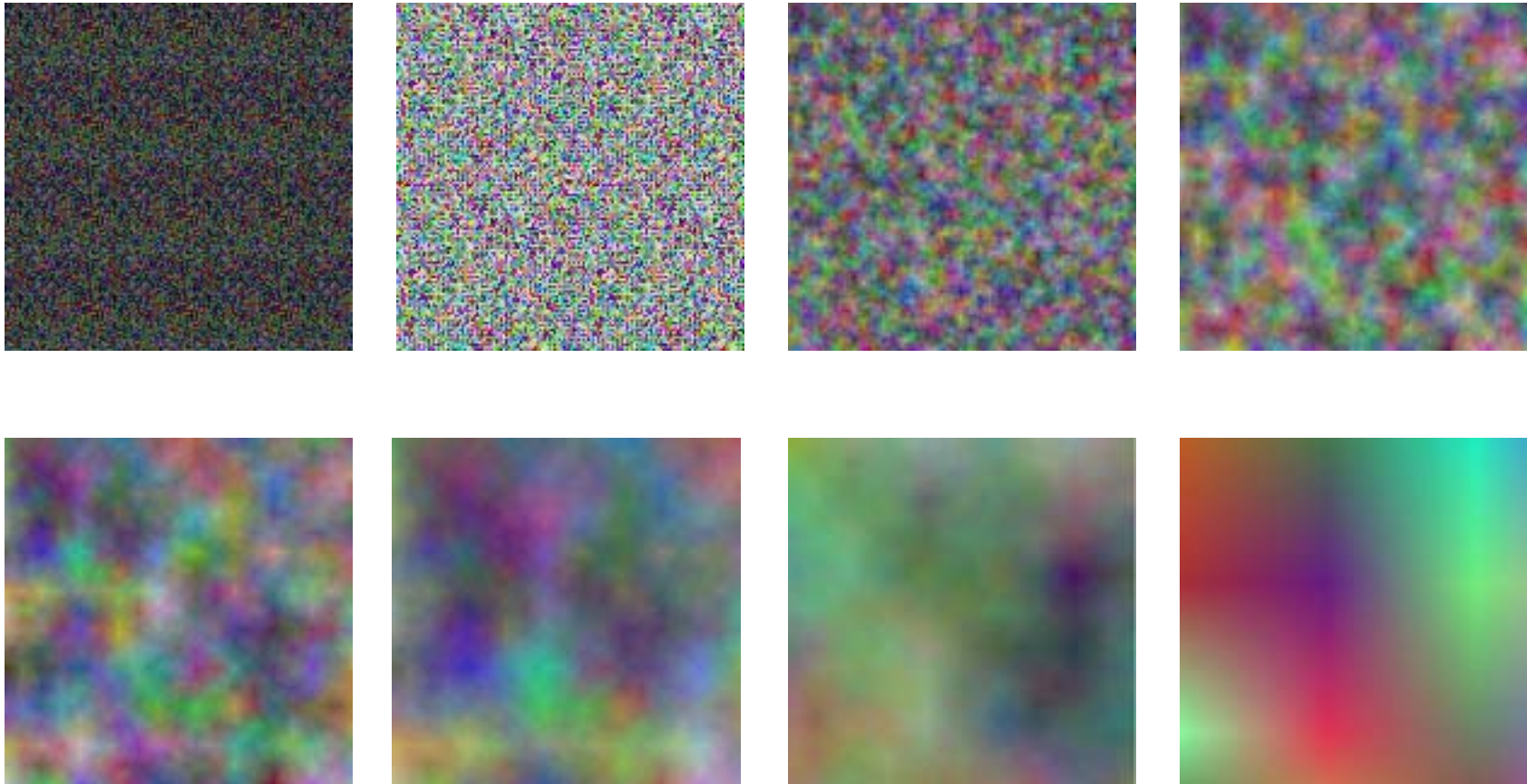


Perlin Sum $1/f(|noise|)$ Sphere

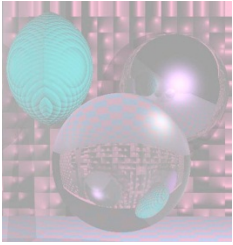




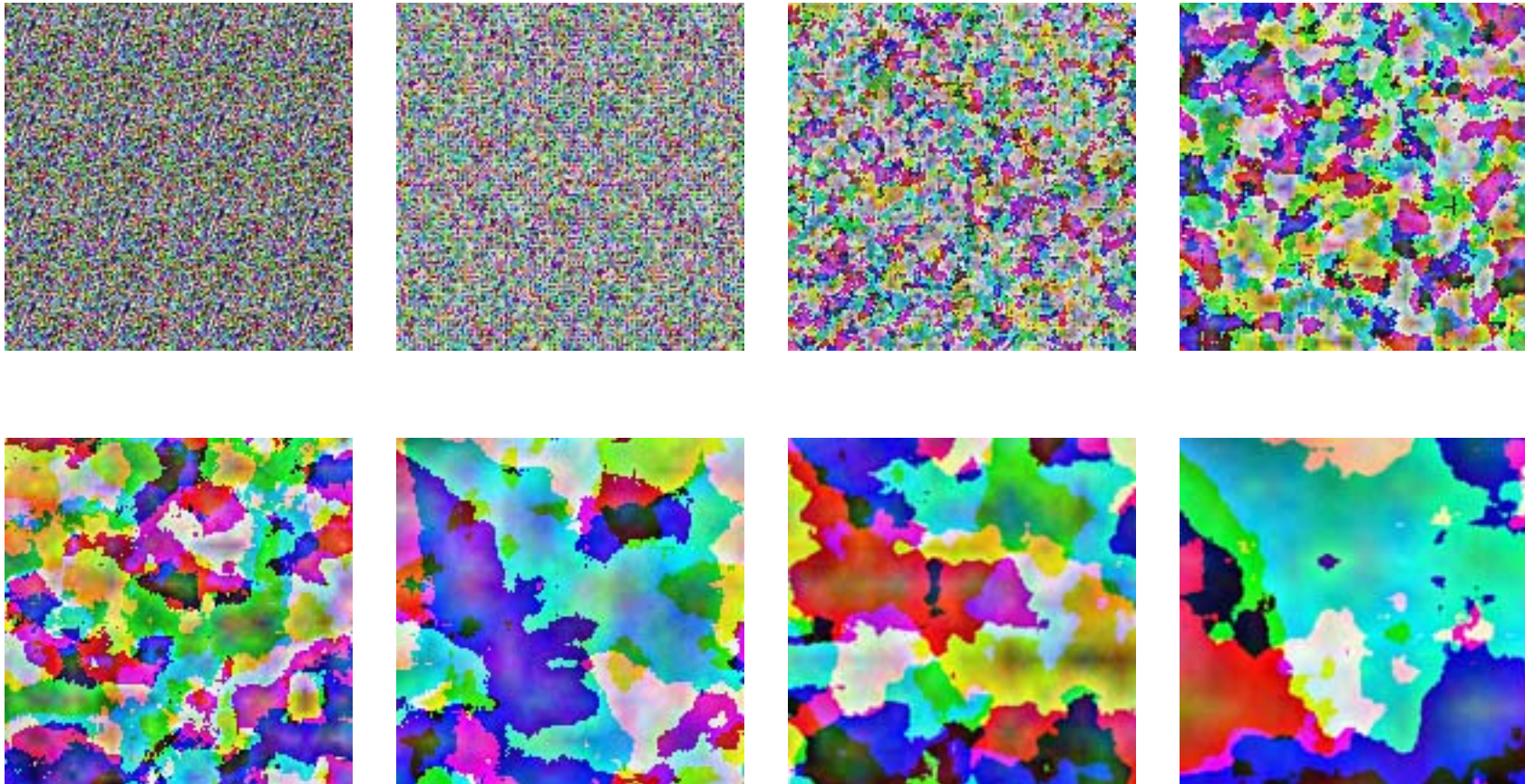
2D Normalized Turbulence

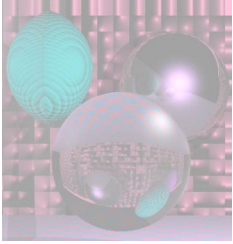


Just Noise



2D Turbulence



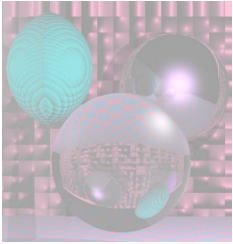


Turbulence Code

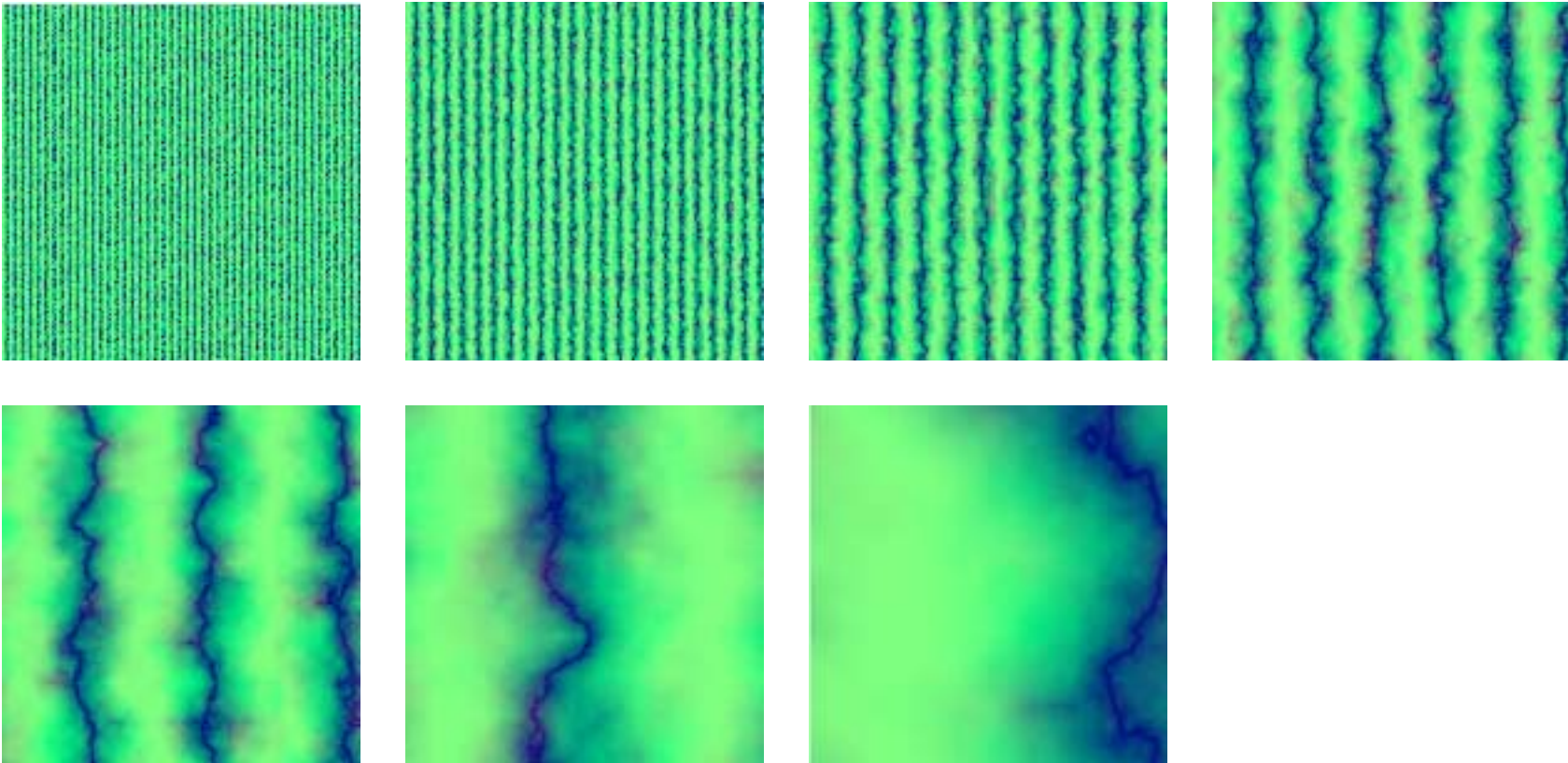
```
function turb = LinearTurbulence2(u, v, noise, divisor)
% double t, scale;
% LN(u, v) +LN(2u, 2v)/2 + LN(4u, 4v)/4 + ...
% Value is between between 0 and 2.

t = 0;
scale = 1;
while (scale >= 1/divisor)
    t = t + linearNoise2(u/scale, v/scale, noise) * scale;
    scale = scale/2;
end

turb = t/2; % now value is between 0 and 1
```

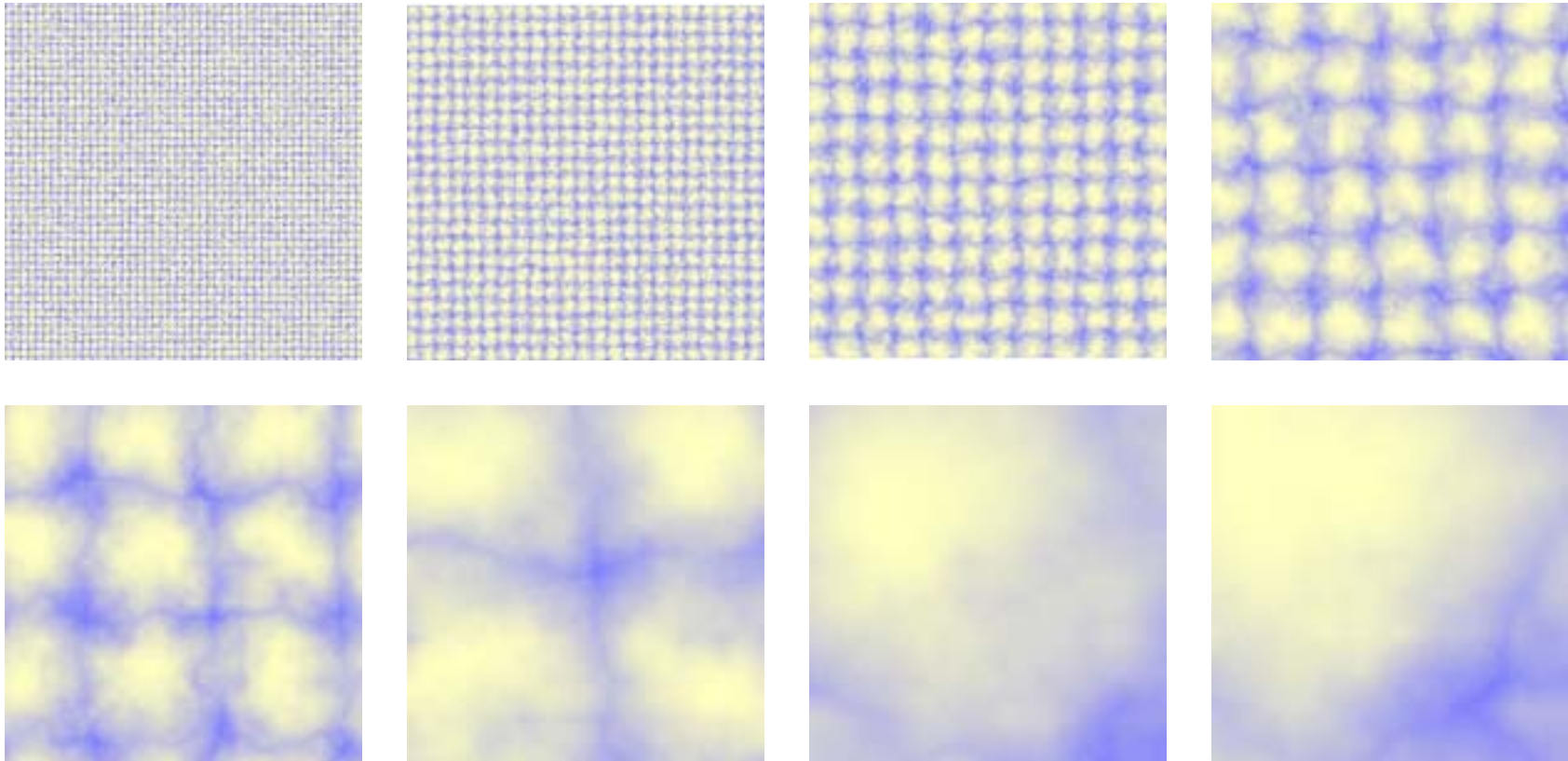


Marble

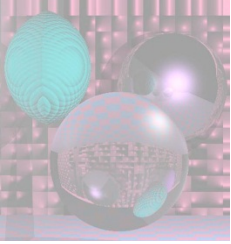


```
factorG = sqrt(abs(sin(x + twist*turbulence(x, y, noise))  
color = (0, trunc(factorG*255), 255);
```

Clouds

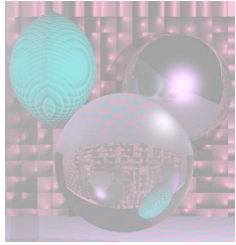


```
r = sqrt((x-200/d)*(x-200/d) + (y-200/d)*(y-200/d));  
factorB = abs(cos(r + fluff*turbulence(x, y, noise)));  
color=(127 + 128*(1 - factorB), 127 + 128*(1 - factorB), 255);
```



Fire





Plane Flame Code

(MATLAB)

```
w = 300;    h = w + w/2;    x=1:w;    y=1:h;
```

```
flameColor = zeros(w,3); % Set a color for each x  
flameColor(x,:)=...
```

```
[1-2*abs(w/2-x)/w; max(0,1-4*abs(w/2-x)/w); zeros(1,w)]';
```

```
flame=zeros(h,w,3); % Set colors for whole flame
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% 1 <= x=j <= 300=h, 1 <= y=451-i <= 450=h+h/2
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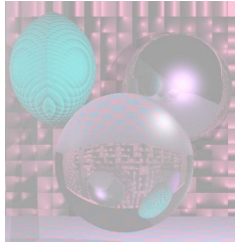
```
for i = 1:h
```

```
    for j = 1:w
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        flame(i,j,:)=(1-(h-i)/h)*flameColor(j,:);
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    end
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end
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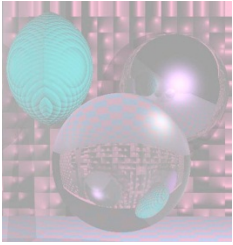
Turbulent Flame Code

(MATLAB)

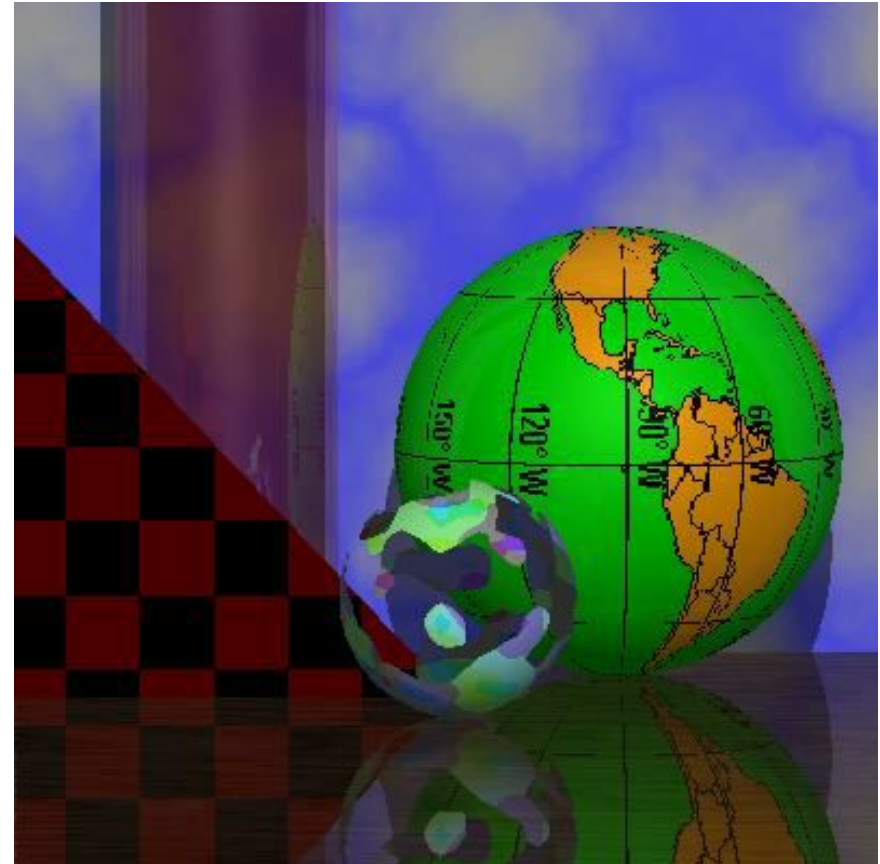
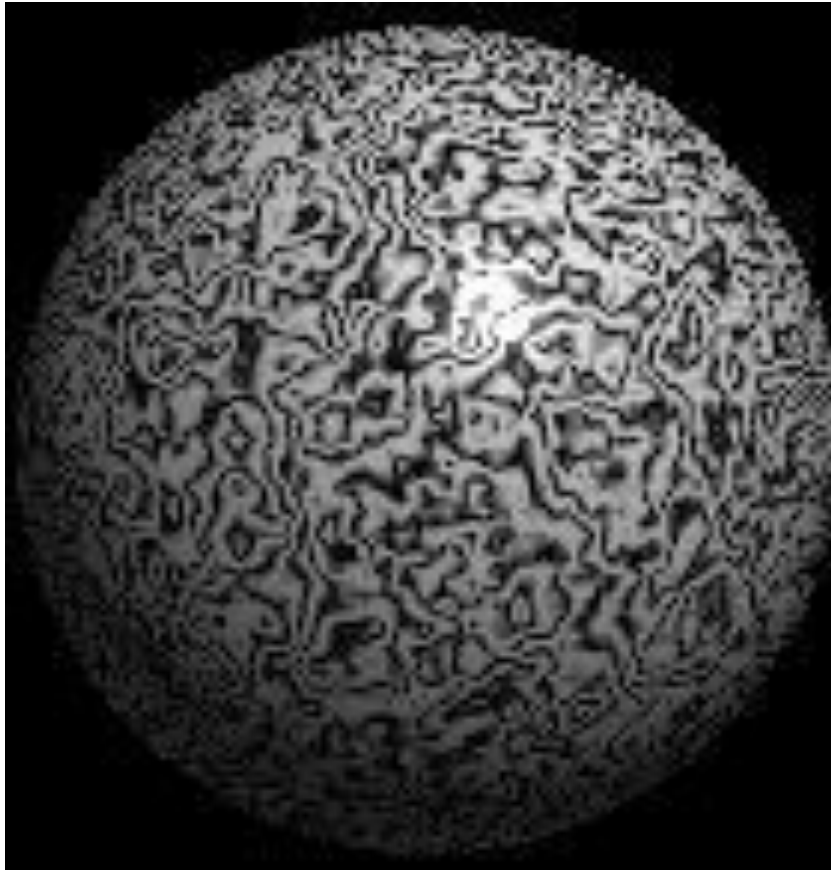
```
for u = 1:450
    for v = 1:300
        x = round(u+80*Tarray(u,v,1)); x = max(x,2); x = min(x,449);
        y = round(v+80*Tarray(u,v,2)); y = max(y,2); y = min(y,299);
        flame2(u,v,:) = flame(x,y,:);
    end
end
```

```
function Tarray = turbulenceArray(m,n)
noise1 = rand(39,39);
noise2 = rand(39,39);
noise3 = rand(39,39);
divisor = 64;
Tarray = zeros(m,n);

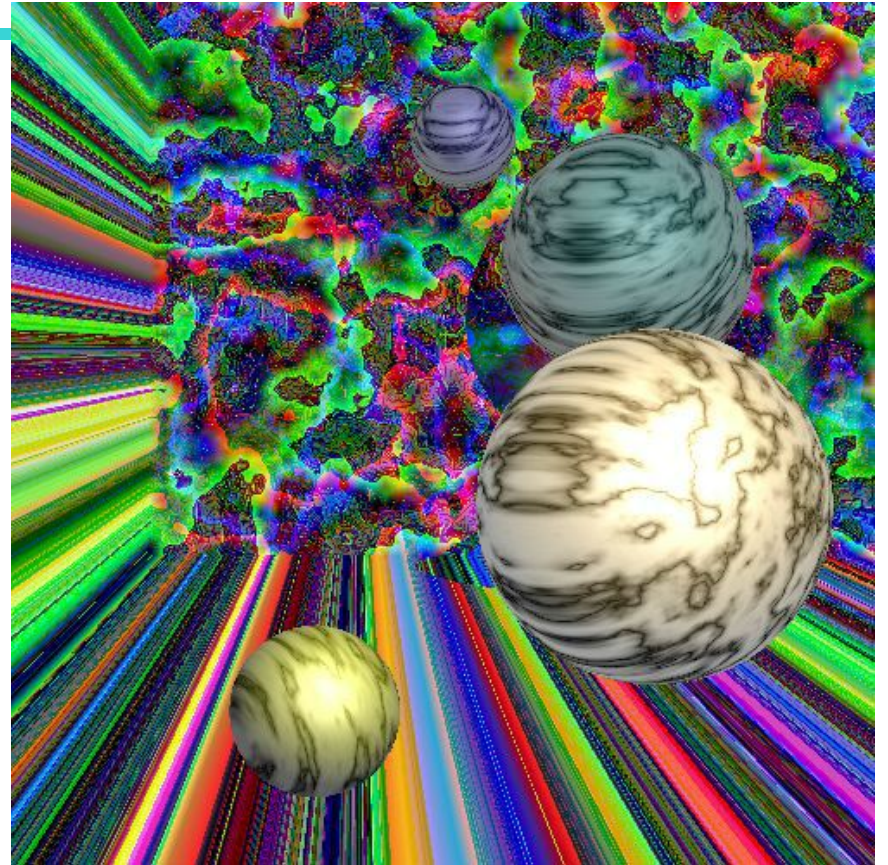
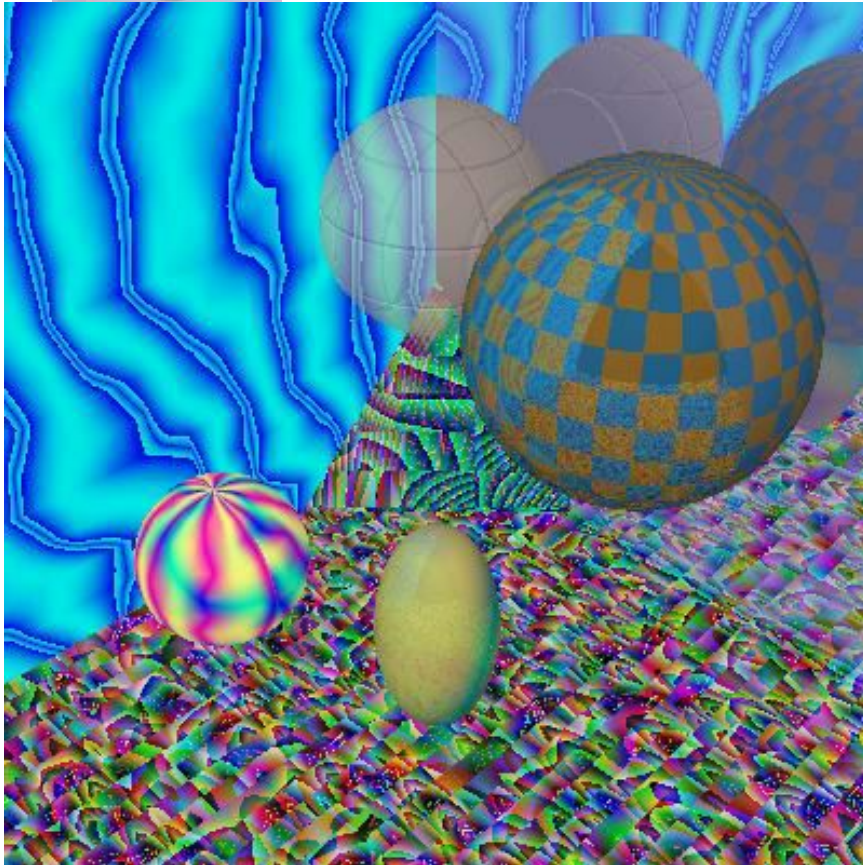
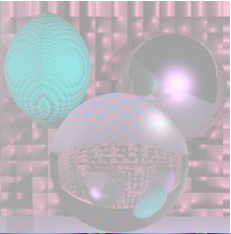
for i = 1:m
    for j = 1:n
        Tarray(i,j,1) = LinearTurbulence2(i/divisor, j/divisor, noise1, divisor);
        Tarray(i,j,2) = LinearTurbulence2(i/divisor, j/divisor, noise2, divisor);
        Tarray(i,j,3) = LinearTurbulence2(i/divisor, j/divisor, noise3, divisor);
    end
end
end
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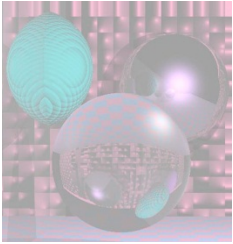



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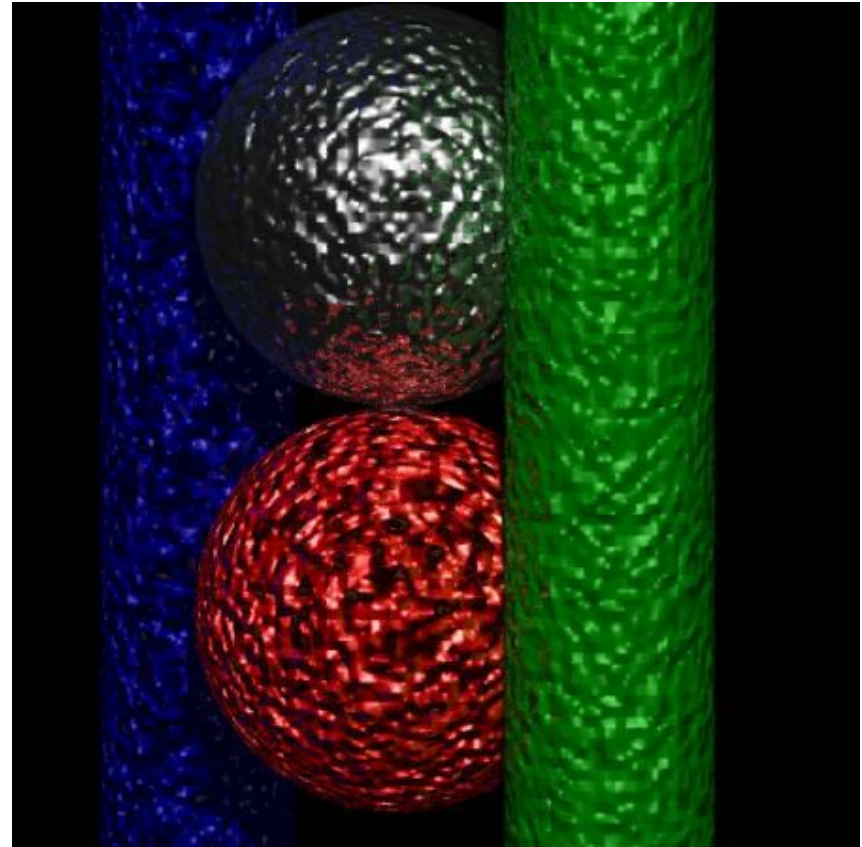


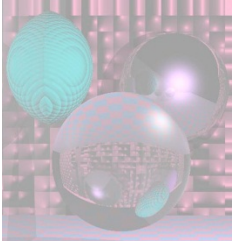
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Perlin's Clouds and Corona

