

- Previous Lecture:
 - Examples on vectors and simulation
- Today's Lecture:
 - Finite vs. Infinite; Discrete vs. Continuous
 - Vectors and vectorized code
 - Color computation with [linear interpolation](#)
 - `plot` and `fill`
- Announcements:
 - Project 3 due Friday 10/3 at 11pm
 - Prelim 1 on Oct 16th at 7:30pm. Email Randy Hess (rbh27) now if you have an exam conflict (specify conflicting course and instructor contact info)

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Screen Granularity

After how many halvings will the disks disappear?

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Xeno's Paradox

- A wall is two feet away
- Take steps that repeatedly halve the remaining distance
- You never reach the wall because the distance traveled after n steps =

$$1 + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{4} + \dots + \frac{1}{2^n} = 2 - \frac{1}{2^n}$$

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Example: "Xeno" disks

Draw a sequence of 20 disks where the (k+1)th disk has a diameter that is half that of the kth disk.

The disks are tangent to each other and have centers on the x-axis.

First disk has diameter 1 and center (1/2, 0).

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Example: "Xeno" disks

What do you need to keep track of?

- Diameter (d)
- Position
Left tangent point (x)

Disk	x	d
1	0	1
2	0+1	1/2
3	0+1+1/2	1/4

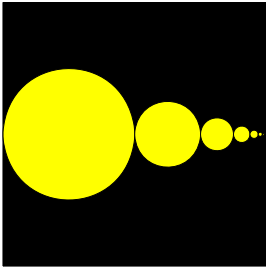
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```

% Xeno Disks
DrawRect(0,-1,2,2,'k')
% Draw 20 Xeno disks
d= 1;
x= 0; % Left tangent point
for k= 1:20
    % Draw kth disk

    % Update x, d for next disk
end
    
```

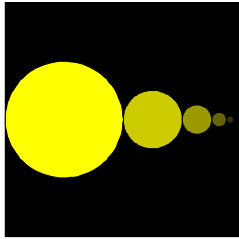
Here's the output... Shouldn't there be 20 disks?



The "screen" is an array of dots called pixels.
 Disks smaller than the dots don't show up.
 The 20th disk has radius < .000001

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Fading Xeno disks



- First disk is yellow
- Last disk is black (invisible)
- Interpolate the color in between

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Color is a 3-vector, sometimes called the RGB values

- Any color is a mix of red, green, and blue
- Example:
 $color = [0.4 \ 0.6 \ 0]$ 
- Each component is a real value in [0,1]
- [0 0 0] is black
- [1 1 1] is white

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```

% Draw n fading Xeno disks
d= 1;
x= 0; % Left tangent point
yellow= [1 1 0];
black= [0 0 0];
for k= 1:n
    % Compute color of kth disk

    % Draw kth disk
    DrawDisk(x+d/2, 0, d/2, _____)
    x= x+d;
    d= d/2;
end
    
```

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Example: 3 disks fading from yellow to black

```

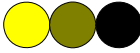
r= 1; % radius of disk
yellow= [1 1 0];
black = [0 0 0];

% Left disk yellow, at x=1
DrawDisk(1,0,r,yellow)
% Right disk black, at x=5
DrawDisk(5,0,r,black)

% Middle disk with average color, at x=3
color= 0.5*yellow + 0.5*black;
DrawDisk(3,0,r,color)
    
```

Vectorized multiplication

$$.5 * [1 \ 1 \ 0] \rightarrow [.5 \ .5 \ 0]$$

$$.5 * [0 \ 0 \ 0] \rightarrow [0 \ 0 \ 0]$$


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Vectorized code allows an operation on multiple values at the same time

```

yellow= [1 1 0];
black = [0 0 0];

% Average color via vectorized op
color= 0.5*yellow + 0.5*black;

% Average color via scalar op
for k= 1:length(black)
    color(k)= 0.5*yellow(k) + 0.5*black(k);
end
    
```

Vectorized addition

$$\begin{array}{r}
 [1 \ 1 \ 0] \\
 + [0 \ 0 \ 0] \\
 \hline
 [1 \ 1 \ 0]
 \end{array}$$

Operation performed on vectors

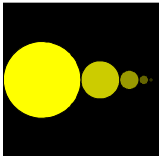
$$\begin{array}{r}
 [1 \ 1 \ 0] \\
 + [0 \ 0 \ 0] \\
 \hline
 [1 \ 1 \ 0]
 \end{array}$$

Operation performed on scalars

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Use *linear interpolation* to obtain the colors. Each disk has a color that is a linear combination of yellow and black. Let f be a fraction in $(0,1)$...

```
f = ???
color = f*black + (1-f)*yellow;
```



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Linear interpolation

x	g(x)
:	:
9	110
10	118
10.25	?
10.50	?
10.75	?
11	126
12	134
:	:

$$g(10.5) = \frac{1}{2} g(11) + \frac{1}{2} g(10)$$

$$g(10) = \frac{0}{4} \cdot g(11) + \frac{4}{4} \cdot g(10)$$

$$g(10.25) = \frac{1}{4} \cdot g(11) + \frac{3}{4} \cdot g(10)$$

$$g(10.50) = \frac{2}{4} \cdot g(11) + \frac{2}{4} \cdot g(10)$$

$$g(10.75) = \frac{3}{4} \cdot g(11) + \frac{1}{4} \cdot g(10)$$

$$g(11) = \frac{4}{4} \cdot g(11) + \frac{0}{4} \cdot g(10)$$

$f \cdot g(11) + (1-f) \cdot g(10)$


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```
% Draw n fading Xeno disks
d = 1;
x = 0; % Left tangent point
yellow = [1 1 0];
black = [0 0 0];
for k = 1:n
    % Compute color of kth disk
    f = ???
    color = f*black + (1-f)*yellow;
    % Draw kth disk
    DrawDisk(x+d/2, 0, d/2, color)
    x = x+d;
    d = d/2;
end
```

A	k/n
B	k/(n-1)
C	(k-1)/n
D	(k-1)/(n-1)
E	(k-1)/(n+1)

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Rows of Xeno disks



```
for y = __ : __ : __
    Code to draw one
    row of Xeno disks
    at some y-coordinate
end
```

Be careful with "initializations"

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Does this script print anything?

```
k = 0;
while 1 + 1/2^k > 1
    k = k+1;
end
disp(k)
```

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Computer Arithmetic—floating point arithmetic

Suppose you have a calculator with a window like this:

+	2	4	1	-	3
---	---	---	---	---	---

representing 2.41×10^{-3}

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Floating point addition

+	2	4	1	-	3
---	---	---	---	---	---

+	1	0	0	-	3
---	---	---	---	---	---

Result:

+	3	4	1	-	3
---	---	---	---	---	---

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The loop DOES terminate given the limitations of floating point arithmetic!

```

k = 0;
while 1 + 1/2^k > 1
    k = k+1;
end
disp(k)
    
```

$1 + 1/2^{53}$ is calculated to be just 1, so "53" is printed.

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Patriot missile failure



In 1991, a Patriot Missile failed, resulting in 28 deaths and about 100 injured. The cause?

0.1

www.natma.nato.int/gallery/systems

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Inexact representation of time/number

- System clock represented time in tenths of a second: a clock tick every 1/10 of a second
- Time = number of clock ticks × 0.1

"exact" value

.00011001100110011001100110011...

.0001100110011001100110011 value in Patriot system

Error of .000000095 every clock tick

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Resulting error

... after 100 hours

$.000000095 \times (100 \times 60 \times 60)$

0.34 second

At a velocity of 1700 m/s, missed target by more than 500 meters!

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Computer arithmetic is *inexact*

- There is error in computer arithmetic—floating point arithmetic—due to limitation in "hardware." Computer memory is **finite**.
- What is $1 + 10^{-16}$?
 - 1.0000000000000001 in real arithmetic
 - 1 in floating point arithmetic (IEEE)
- Read Sec 4.3

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Vectorized code
 —a Matlab-specific feature

See Sec 4.1 for list of vectorized arithmetic operations

- Code that performs element-by-element arithmetic/relational/logical operations on array operands in one step
- Scalar operation: $x + y$ where x, y are scalar variables
- Vectorized code:** $x + y$ where x and/or y are vectors. If x and y are both vectors, they must be of the **same shape and length**

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Vectorized multiplication

a	2	1	.5	8
x				
b	1	2	0	1
= c	2	2	0	8

Matlab code: `c = a .* b`

↑

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Vectorized element-by-element arithmetic operations on arrays

See full list of ops in §4.1

A dot (.) is necessary in front of these math operators

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Reciprocate

x	1			
/				
y	2	1	.5	8
= z	.5	1	2	.125

Matlab code: `z = x ./ y`

↑

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Vectorized element-by-element arithmetic operations between an array and a scalar

See full list of ops in §4.1

A dot (.) is necessary in front of these math operators

The dot in `.*`, `./`, `.*`, `./` not necessary but OK

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Element-by-element arithmetic operations on arrays... Also called "vectorized code"

x and y are vectors

```
x = linspace(-2,3,200);
y = sin(5*x).*exp(-x/2)./(1 + x.^2);
```

Contrast with scalar operations that we've used previously...

a and b are scalars

The operators are (mostly) the same; the operands may be scalars or vectors. When an operand is a vector, you have "vectorized code."

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