

- 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](#)
- Announcements:
 - Project 3 due Monday at 11pm
 - Prelim I on Thursday 10/13 at 7:30pm. You must notify us now if you have an exam conflict. Email Randy Hess (rbh27) with your conflict information (course number, instructor contact info).

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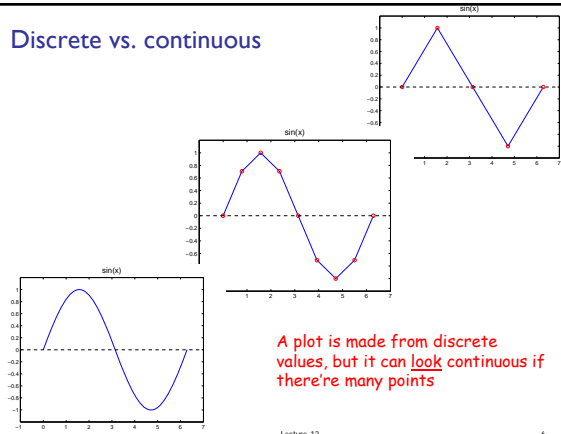
Loop patterns for working with a vector

<pre>% Given a vector v for k = 1:length(v) % Work with v(k) % E.g., disp(v(k)) end</pre>	<pre>% Given a vector v k = 1; while k<=length(v) % Work with v(k) % E.g., disp(v(k)) k = k+1; end</pre>
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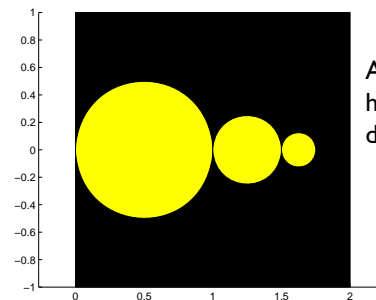
Discrete vs. continuous



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Screen Granularity



After how many halvings will the disks disappear?

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Xeno's Paradox

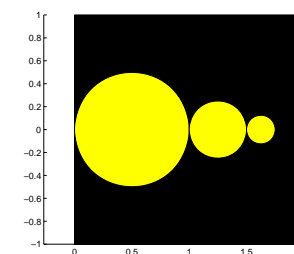
- A wall is two feet away
- Take steps that repeatedly halve the remaining distance
- You never reach the wall because the distance traveled after n steps =

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

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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 k th disk.

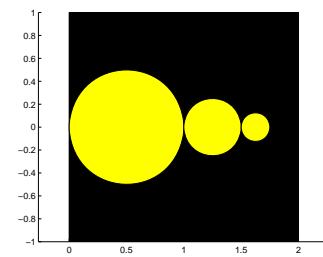
The disks are tangent to each other and have centers on the x-axis.

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
```

```
for k= 1:20
```

```
end
```

% Xeno Disks

```
DrawRect(0,-1,2,2,'k')
```

```
% Draw 20 Xeno disks
```

```
d= 1;
```

```
x= 0; % Left tangent point
```

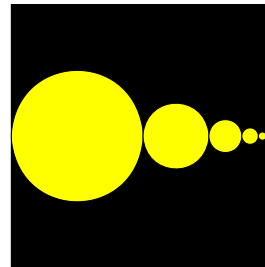
```
for k= 1:20
```

```
    % 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.

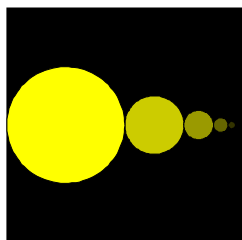
Disks smaller than the dots don't show up.

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:

```
colr= [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
colr= 0.5*yellow + 0.5*black;
DrawDisk(3,0,r,colr)
```



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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
colr= 0.5*yellow + 0.5*black;

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

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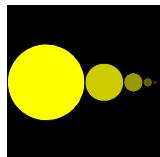
```
% Draw n fading Xeno disks
d= 1;
x= 0; % Left tangent point
yellow= [1 1 0];
black= [0 0 0];
for k= 1:n
    % Compute color of kth disk
    colr= ____*black + ____*yellow;
    % Draw kth disk
    DrawDisk(x+d/2, 0, d/2, colr)
    x= x+d;
    d= d/2;
end
```

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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= ???
colr= 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
:	:

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

$$\begin{aligned} g(10) &= 0/4 \cdot g(11) + 4/4 \cdot g(10) \\ g(10.25) &= 1/4 \cdot g(11) + 3/4 \cdot g(10) \\ g(10.50) &= 2/4 \cdot g(11) + 2/4 \cdot g(10) \\ g(10.75) &= 3/4 \cdot g(11) + 1/4 \cdot g(10) \\ g(11) &= 4/4 \cdot g(11) + 0/4 \cdot g(10) \end{aligned}$$

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

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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= ???
    colr= f*black + (1-f)*yellow;
    % Draw kth disk
    DrawDisk(x+d/2, 0, d/2, colr)
    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

Where to put the loop header for y=__:__:__

```

A → yellow=[1 1 0]; black=[0 0 0];
B → d= 1;
C → x= 0;
D → for k= 1:n
    % Compute color of kth disk
    f= (k-1)/(n-1);
    colr= f*black + (1-f)*yellow;
    % Draw kth disk
    DrawDisk(x+d/2, 0, d/2, colr)
    x=x+d; d=d/2;
end
end

```

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Does this script print anything?

```

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

```

Computer Arithmetic—floating point arithmetic

Suppose you have a calculator with a window like this:

+	2	4	1	-	3
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representing 2.41×10^{-3}

Floating point addition

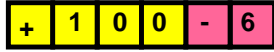
+	2	4	1	-	3
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+	1	0	0	-	3
---	---	---	---	---	---

Result:

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

Floating point addition



Result:



Not enough room to represent .002411

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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?



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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 x 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 $1 + 10^{-16}$?

- 1.0000000000000000 in real arithmetic
- 1 in floating point arithmetic (IEEE)

- Read Sec 4.3

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