





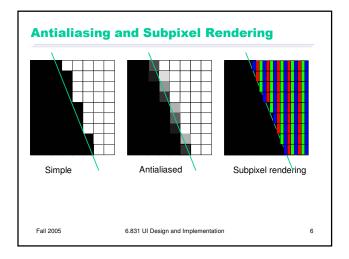


Transparency

- Alpha is a pixel's transparency
 - from 0.0 (transparent) to 1.0 (opaque)
 - 32-bit RGBA pixels: each pixel has red, green, blue, and alpha values
- Uses for alpha
 - Antialiasing
 - Nonrectangular images
 - Translucent components

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Alpha Compositing

- Compositing rules control how source and destination pixels are combined
- Source
 - Image
 - Stroke drawing calls
- Destination
 - Drawing surface



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Porter-Duff Alpha Compositing Rules

Source pixel: Rs, Gs, Bs, As Dest pixel: Rd, Gd, Bd, Ad

1. Premultiply RGB by A ${RGB}s = {RGB}rs * As$ ${RGB}d = {RGB}rd * Ad$

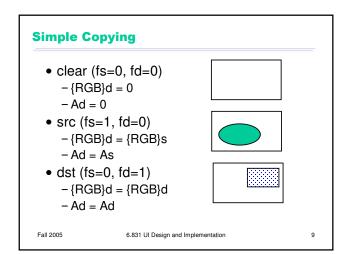
2. Compute weighted combination of source and dest

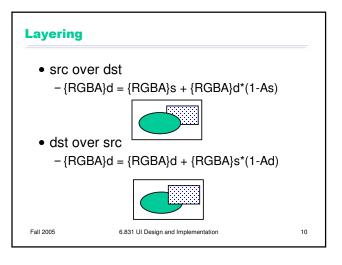
 $\{RGB\}d = \{RGB\}s*fs + \{RGB\}d*fd$ Ad = As*fs + Ad*fd

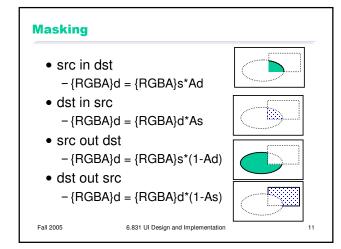
for some weights fs, fd 3. Postdivide RGB by A

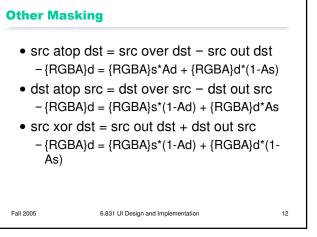
 $\{RGB\}d = \{RGB\}d / Ad \text{ if } Ad != 0$

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Coordinate Transforms

- Translation
 - moves origin by dx, dy
- Scaling
 - multiplies x by sx and y by sy
- Rotation
 - rotates by theta around an axis point x, y
- Use coordinate transforms to make drawing easier

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Component Model Effects

- Changing Graphics passed to children
 - Transforms: rotation, zooming
 - Clipping: setting new clipping regions
- Wrapping Graphics passed to children
 - Intercept child calls and modify or capture them
- Painting onto offscreen images and then transforming the images
 - Blur, shimmer, masking
- Using components as rubber stamps
 - Table, list, and tree cell renderers

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Scene Graphs

- Traditional 2D toolkits are too limited for many graphical effects
 - View hierarchy is a tree (can't share views)
 - Parents must enclose descendents (and clip them)
 - Parents translate children, but don't otherwise transform them
- Piccolo toolkit (designed for zooming user interfaces)
 - View hierarchy is actually a graph
 - Components can translate, rotate, scale
 - Parents transform but don't clip their children by default
 - Input events and repaint requests are transformed too

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