# Geometry in milliseconds: Real-time Constructive Solid Geometry 

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## So what is Constructive Solid Geometry?

## Boolean Operations



Additive


Subtractive


Intersection

CSG Hierarchy



## Thank you!

# Well, <br> there's a little more to it... 

## Overview

1. History of CSG

The algorithm
2. Iterative updates
3. Intersections
4. Mesh Generation
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## First some history

History

- Originated outside of the game industry
- Used in the CAD industry
- Long history in the game industry
- Quake/iD tech engines / iD Software
- Many build on top are still in use today (mostly completely rewritten)
- Source engine 1-2 / Valve
- Unreal engine 1-4 / Epic Games
- Torque, Roblox, and many more

History

- Games with CSG level editors often spawned mod communities
- Some mods turned into full games
- Counter strike
- Team Fortress
- Portal
- Black Mesa
- The Stanley Parable
- Many professional level designers started out as modders


History

- Early implementations used Binary Space Partitions (BSP)
- Scales poorly with number of polygons
- Unusable beyond a relatively small number
- The tooling build around CSG hasn't evolved much
- Unreal, for example, still uses the BSP code Tim Sweeney wrote decades ago


## But... why?

## Workflow

- Fast \& non-destructive iteration
- Brushes can easily be moved around, replaced, hidden/shown
- Your level geometry will automatically get adjusted
- Fast to quickly mock/block out levels, test gameplay
- Easy to try out different game layouts quickly
- Easy to learn / very intuitive / Allows for playful exploration
- Mostly used to design larger outline and flow of levels
- Complemented with modeled props
- Sections replaced with pieces of modeled geometry


## \#blocktober

Michael Barclay @MotleyGrue . Oct 1, 2017
What's up level designers. Level blockouts are art. \#blocktober should be a thing. \#leveldesign \#gamedev \#gamedesign \#inktober \#animtober





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- CSG forces a focus on the large first, details later
- You can fine tune your game with simpler geometry
- Before you spend resources on making it pretty
- CSG creates solid geometry without gaps, ideal for physics
- Easy to make invisible infinitely thin gaps in a 3D modeling tool
- Unlikely for this to happen with CSG
- Not something you want to worry about during design

Workflow

- CSG is well suited for procedurally generated geometry
- All geometry created by CSG is physically plausible
- Can very easily layer geometry by addition \& subtraction
- Allows the user to mix procedural geometry with hand created geometry seamlessly

Workflow

- Level design is not 3D modeling
- Level designers and 3d artists are two different competencies
- Level design is not just about what the geometry looks like
- You always need the best tool for the job
- You can mow your lawn with a scissor, but why would you?


## Perception

- Sadly, artists often equate CSG with BSP and old tools
- Most common given reason not to use CSG is "it's slow and blocky"
- Yet, it doesn't have to be this way

Modern CSG tools


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Do I have your attention?

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And we create a shape with those brushes, using a subtractive and an additive operation


If we look at the contributions from each individual brush on the final shape



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By finding those pieces, we can perform CSG per brush

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- Makes this possible


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Example: moving a brush


The brush itself is marked dirty

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Example: moving a brush


All the other brushes are left unmodified

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Example: deleting a brush


Here we update the brushes it touched before it was deleted

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And here we update the brushes it touches after creation

Performing CSG per brush

- Allows for iterative updates
- Work can easily be split across multiple cpu cores
- Work per brush doesn't get too expensive
- Scales well with number of brushes


Remember those polygon pieces?
How do we find them?

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Convexity

convex

concave

- Can be thought of as an infinite cube sliced multiple times, leaving behind a convex shape
- These "slices" are infinite planes
- Each plane has a facing direction
- We essentially "remove" everything in front of the planes
- Conceptually convex brushes are "a list of planes"

- Convexity is not necessarily a requirement
- But it makes everything a lot simpler \& faster
- You can still build any concave shape from multiple convex shapes


## Convex Brushes

- Edges are where exactly 2 planes intersect
- Vertices are where at least 3 planes intersect
- Side polygons are formed between these edges and vertices
- Each polygon has a single plane going through it


A cube would have just 3 planes intersect at a corner


A cone could have an unbounded number of planes intersect at its peak

Finding intersecting brushes

- Find intersecting brushes at insertion time or after moving them
- Keep in mind that intersection results are bi-directional, so you only need to do this once for a pair of brushes.
- This ensures identical results
- Can use something like hierarchical hashed grids
- Then, for each potential intersection
- AABB intersection test
- Check if vertices of a brush are outside the other brush
- Lots of ways of doing this, this is not a bottleneck however


## Creating intersection polygons

- Process brush pairs together
- Lots of shared information
- Only consider polygons that intersect with the
- Use space partition data structures to speed this up
- Create per brush-shape, can be cached/shared
- Find polygons that are formed at the intersection between pair
- Polygons will always be convex if both brushes are convex
- This is a bottleneck



## Creating intersection polygons

- Find all vertices of brush
- Are inside other brush (inside all its other planes)
- On a plane of the other brush (but inside all its other planes)
- Calculate intersections between brush edges with the other brush
- Find intersection of edge with plane of other brush

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Edges
- Intersection vertex must be "inside" all other brush planes
- We can only have 0-2 intersections per edge


## Creating intersection polygons

- Find all vertices that lie on the same plane on one brush
- Do not calculate: store plane indices when finding vertices, use those
- Remember: Our polygon is convex since our brushes are convex
- Allows us to find edges by finding vertex pairs that share 2 planes
- Connect pairs by finding common vertices between pairs
- Ensure ordering is correct
- Calculate normal of vertices (newell's algorithm) and compare with plane normal
- If dot product between both normals is negative, reverse order of vertices
- Store each intersection polygon together with the plane/brush polygon it's on
- For each intersection polygon
- Store which brush we intersected with
- Store an interior category with this intersection polygon
- If all the vertices lie on the surface of the other brush, our category is Aligned or Reverse Aligned (depending on the orientation of intersecting plane vs side polygon)
- Otherwise, the polygon is Inside
- Can never be outside, since this is an intersection
- We will use this later on in the categorization part


## Creating intersection polygons

- Find all intersection polygons that overlap
- Add intersection vertex to both polygons
- These polygons are created by intersections with brushes
- Ensure these vertices are also added to those brushes
- This avoids gaps
- Do the same with the side polygon the intersection polygons lie on
- Each edge brush is shared between 2 side polygons on a brush
- Make sure this vertex exists on both polygons that share edge


Intersection polygons

## Precision

- Make sure that the found vertices are copied to the other brush, not recalculated.
- When the vertices are identical between brushes, there won't be any gaps
- It ensures that the vertices will be $100 \%$ identical on all edges
- Note: Snap vertices of intersecting brushes to each other as well, before you do any intersection calculations, for this exact same reason
- Makes sure vertices are consistent between brushes
- We now have all the vertices we need, we don't need to create any more vertices


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Generating meshes

- We process each brush side separately
- Here we apply each intersection polygon in order to split our brush side polygon into the pieces that we need


Side polygon

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- and a new polygon



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Creating brush meshes

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- Merge the holes by removing overlapping edges and combining all the remaining edges
- Each polygon is triangulated using vertex indices
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Categories


Brush categorization

- How to categorize a vertex against a single brush:
- Calculate distance of a vertex against each plane
- Positive value, compared to any plane: it's outside (early out)
- Near zero value: it's aligned
- Neither outside or aligned to any plane: it's inside
- How to categorize a polygon against a single brush:
- Otherwise
- If all vertices of a polygon are (reverse) aligned, then that's the polygons' category.
- If any vertex is inside/outside, it's inside/outside
- Some vertices might be aligned with/touch another brush
- If one vertex of an edge is inside and the other is outside, then it's intersecting the brush
- We already found all intersections, so this won't happen

Brush categorization

- How to categorize a polygon against a single brush:
- If it's aligned
- Compare normal of polygon to normal of plane
- Opposite direction: reverse-aligned
- Same direction: aligned


Which polygon piece is what, to the entire generated mesh?

Use a lookup table to combine categories among multiple brushes

- Find the polygon category for each brush individually
- Combine categories using an operation table
- Note: Polygon does not need to be part of either brush

|  | Additive Operation Table | Brush A |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Inside | Aligned | Rev-Aligned | Outside |
| Brush B | Inside | Inside | Inside | Inside | Inside |
|  | Aligned | Inside | Aligned | Inside | Aligned |
|  | Rev-Aligned | Inside | Inside | Rev-Aligned | Rev-Aligned |
|  | Outside | Inside | Aligned | Rev-Aligned | Outside |

Brush A


Brush B

Use a lookup table to combine categories among multiple brushes

If polygon has the inside category for either brush, it's inside both brushes


Brush A


Brush B

Use a lookup table to combine categories among multiple brushes


If polygon has the aligned category for both brushes, it's aligned

|  | Additive Operation Table | Brush A |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Inside | Aligned | Rev-Aligned | Outside |
| Brush B | Inside | Inside | Inside | Inside | Inside |
|  | Aligned | Inside | Aligned | Inside | Aligned |
|  | Rev-Aligned | Inside | Inside | Rev-Aligned | Rev-Aligned |
|  | Outside | Inside | Aligned | Rev-Aligned | Outside |

Brush A


Brush B

Use a lookup table to combine categories among multiple brushes


If polygon has the reverse-aligned category for both brushes, it's reverse-aligned

|  | Additive <br> Operation Table | Brush A |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Inside | Aligned | Rev-Aligned | Outside |
| Brush B | Inside | Inside | Inside | Inside | Inside |
|  | Aligned | Inside | Aligned | Inside | Aligned |
|  | Rev-Aligned | Inside | Inside | Rev-Aligned | Rev-Aligned |
|  | Outside | Inside | Aligned | Rev-Aligned | Outside |

Brush A


Brush B

Use a lookup table to combine categories among multiple brushes


If categories are reverse-aligned and aligned, the final category is inside (surfaces cancel each other out)

|  | Additive <br> Operation Table | Brush A |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Inside | Aligned | Rev-Aligned | Outside |
| Brush B | Inside | Inside | Inside | Inside | Inside |
|  | Aligned | Inside | Aligned | Inside | Aligned |
|  | Rev-Aligned | Inside | Inside | Rev-Aligned | Rev-Aligned |
|  | Outside | Inside | Aligned | Rev-Aligned | Outside |

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If polygon has the outside category for either brush, it's the category of the other brush


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Brush B

Use a lookup table to combine categories among multiple brushes

If polygon has the outside category for both brushes, it's outside

Use a lookup table to combine categories among multiple brushes

|  | Additive <br> Operation Table | Brush A |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Inside | Aligned | Rev-Aligned | Outside |
| Brush B | Inside | Inside | Inside | Inside | Inside |
|  | Aligned | Inside | Aligned | Inside | Aligned |
|  | Rev-Aligned | Inside | Inside | Rev-Aligned | Rev-Aligned |
|  | Outside | Inside | Aligned | Rev-Aligned | Outside |



Use a lookup table to combine categories among multiple brushes

|  | Subtractive Operation Table | Brush A |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Inside | Aligned | Rev-Aligned | Outside |
| Brush B | Inside | Outside | Rev-Aligned | Aligned | Inside |
|  | Aligned | Outside | Outside | Aligned | Aligned |
|  | Rev-Aligned | Outside | Rev-Aligned | Outside | Rev-Aligned |
|  | Outside | Outside | Outside | Outside | Outside |



Use a lookup table to combine categories among multiple brushes

|  | Intersecting Operation Table | Brush A |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Inside | Aligned | Rev-Aligned | Outside |
| Brush B | Inside | Inside | Aligned | Rev-Aligned | Outside |
|  | Aligned | Aligned | Aligned | Outside | Outside |
|  | Rev-Aligned | Rev-Aligned | Outside | Rev-Aligned | Outside |
|  | Outside | Outside | Outside | Outside | Outside |

## CSG Tree



## CSG Tree

But each brush is processed in isolation and will not touch every other brush



## Per brush CSG Tree

How to build a per brush CSG tree?
Let's assume A touches E And flag them


## Subtractive

## Per brush CSG Tree

Flag each node upwards in the tree


## Per brush CSG Tree

Flag each node upwards in the tree


## Per brush CSG Tree

Until we end up at the root of our CSG tree


## Subtractive



## Per brush CSG Tree

All other nodes can be considered completely outside


## Per brush CSG Tree



Use a lookup table to combine categories among multiple brushes


|  | Additive Operation Table | Left |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Inside | Aligned | Rev-Aligned | Outside |
| Right | Inside | Inside | Inside | Inside | Inside |
|  | Aligned | Inside | Aligned | Inside | Aligned |
|  | Rev-Aligned | Inside | Inside | Rev-Aligned | Rev-Aligned |
|  | Outside | Inside | Aligned | Rev-Aligned | Outside |



## Routing table




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| Polygon.index == 0 | Routing table |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Polygon Index | Inside | Aligned | Rev-Aligned | Outside |
| Brush A | 0 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| Brush B | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
|  | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 |
|  | 2 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 2 |
|  | 3 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| Brush C | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
|  | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 |
|  | 2 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 2 |
|  | 3 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 |

Example
Brush A: Rev-Aligned
Brush B: Aligned
Brush C: Outside

Each brush will
categorize our
polygon, and
this category is the column

| Polygon.index $==0$ | Routing table |  |  | $\downarrow$ |  | Example <br> Brush A: Rev-Aligned <br> Brush B: Aligned <br> Brush C: Outside |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Polygon Index | Inside | Aligned | Rev-Aligned | Outside |  |
| Brush A | 0 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | Using the |
| Brush B | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | we find the column |
|  | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 |  |
|  | 2 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 2 | polygon index |
|  | 3 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 |  |
| Brush C | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |  |
|  | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 |  |
|  | 2 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 2 |  |
|  | 3 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 |  |


|  | Routing table |  |  |  |  | Example <br> Brush A: Rev-Aligned <br> Brush B: Aligned <br> Brush C: Outside |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Polygon Index | Inside | Aligned | Rev-Aligned | Outside |  |
| Brush A | 0 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | The intersection of the |
| Brush B | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | dex |
|  | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 |  |
|  | 2 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 2 |  |
|  | 3 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 |  |
| Brush C | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |  |
|  | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 |  |
|  | 2 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 2 |  |
|  | 3 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 |  |

Polygon.index $=\mathbf{2}$

|  | Polygon Index | Inside | Aligned | Rev-Aligned | Outside |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
|  | Brush A | 0 | 0 | 1 | 2 |

Example
Brush A: Rev-Aligned
Brush B: Aligned
Brush C: Outside

We do this with every brush ...


## Polygon.index $=\mathbf{0}$

Routing table

|  | Polygon Index | Inside | Aligned | Rev-Aligned | Outside |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Brush A | 0 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 |
|  | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
|  | 2 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 |
|  | 3 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 2 |
|  | 0 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 |

Example
Brush A: Rev-Aligned
Brush B: Aligned
Brush C: Outside

| Polygon.index == 0 <br> (final index) | Routing table |  |  |  | Фutside |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Polygon Index | Inside | Aligned | Rev-Aligned |  |
| Brush A | 0 | 0 | 1 | 2 | $\therefore$ |
| Brush B | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | $(1$ |
| Aligned $=1$ | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 |  |
| $\begin{array}{r} \text { Rev-Aligned }=2 \\ \text { Outside }=3 \end{array}$ | 2 | 0 | 0 | 2 | ¿: |
|  | 3 | 0 | 1 | 2 | $\vdots$ |
| The final index Brush C | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| converted | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 |
|  | 2 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 2 |
|  | 3 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 |

Example
Brush A: Rev-Aligned
Brush B: Aligned
Brush C: Outside

## Per brush CSG Tree



## Routing table for brush B

|  |  | Polygon Index | Inside | Aligned | Rev-Aligned | Outside |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Routing tables are build individually for each brush | Brush A | 0 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 |
|  | Brush B | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
|  |  | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 |
| For example, this table is the routing table for brush B |  | 2 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 2 |
|  |  | 3 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 |
|  | Brush C | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
|  |  | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 |
|  |  | 2 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 2 |
|  |  | 3 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 |



Which polygon piece is what, to the entire generated mesh?

## Routing table for brush B



## Routing table for brush B

|  | Polygon Index | Inside | Aligned | Rev-Aligned | Outside |
| :---: | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| All categories <br> of the brush this <br> routing table is Brush B <br> made for will | 0 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| always be <br> aligned | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Brush B can <br> be optimized <br> away | 2 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 |

## Routing table for brush B



## Routing table for brush B



## Routing table for brush B

|  |  | Polygon Index | Inside | Aligned | Rev-Aligned | Outside |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Not all outputs | Brush A | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 |
| to brush C | Brush C | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| We can remove |  | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 |
| never use |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

## Routing table for brush B

|  |  | Polygon Index | Inside | Aligned | Rev-Aligned | Outside |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| When optimizing routing tables make sure all indices are sequential and start with 0 | Brush A | 0 | 1 | 3 | 1 | 3 |
|  | Brush B | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 |
|  |  | 3 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 |
|  | Brush C | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
|  |  | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 |
|  |  | 2 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 2 |
|  |  | 3 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 |
|  | Brush D | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
|  |  | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 |

## Routing table for brush B

|  |  | Polygon Index | Inside | Aligned | Rev-Aligned | Outside |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Remap outputs of previous brush to new rows to fix gaps | Brush A | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 |
|  | Brush B | 0 | v | 1 | 0 | 1 |
|  |  | 1 | U | 1 | 2 | 3 |
|  | Brush C | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
|  |  | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 |
|  |  | 2 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 2 |
|  |  | 3 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 |
|  | Brush D | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
|  |  | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 |

## Branching

But there's a problem when it comes to branching


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## Branching

We store our category on our polygon. Suppose our polygon is inside brush A

## Subtractive



## Branching

But the next brush needs to skip multiple operations ... Where do we store our current category?


## Subtractive



## Branching

Just overwrite and continue?


Branching

We continue ...


## Branching

We continue ...


## Branching

But now we need the value we've overwritten ...

What now?


## Branching

We bake in each possible path multiple times into the routing table, each path representing a built-in category


Subtractive



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## It's not as bad as it may seem ${ }^{\text {TM }}$

## Routing table

Index Inside Aligned Rev-Aligned Outside

| Brush A - | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |



Routing table

|  | Index | Inside | Aligned | Rev-Aligned | Outside |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Brush A |  |  |  |  |  | - |



## Routing table

|  | index | Inside | Aligned | Rev-Aligned | Outside |
| :---: | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
|  | Brush A | - | 0 | 1 | 2 |
| Brush B | 0 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| Brush C | 0 | 0 | $n$ | $n$ | 3 |
|  | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 |
|  | 2 | 0 | 0 | 2 |  |
|  | 3 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 |



## Routing table

|  | Index | Inside | Aligned | Rev-Aligned | Outside |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Brush A | - | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| (Inside) Brush B | 0 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| (Aligned) |  |  |  |  |  |
| (Rev-Aligned) |  |  |  |  |  |
| (Outside) |  |  |  |  |  |
| (Inside) Brush C | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
|  | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
|  | 2 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 2 |
|  | 3 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| (Aligned) |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| (Rev-Aligned) |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| (Outside) |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |



Duplicate all rows of all brushes in second routing table, once for each category

## Routing table




Duplicate all rows of all brushes in second routing table, once for each category

## Routing table




Give each row an unique index

## Routing table

|  | Index | Inside | Aligned | Rev-Aligned | Outside |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Brush A | - | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| (Inside) Brush B | 0 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| (Aligned) | 1 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
| (Rev-Aligned) | 2 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 |
| (Outside) | 3 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 |
| (Inside) Brush C | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
|  | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
|  | 2 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 2 |
|  | 3 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| (Aligned) |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| (Rev-Aligned) |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| (Outside) |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |

Make every output unique, add 4 for each duplicated row

This gives is unique sequential values for all outputs

## Routing table



## Routing table

|  | Index | Inside | Aligned | Rev-Aligned | Outside |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Brush A | - | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| (Inside) Brush B | 0 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| (Aligned) | 1 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
| (Rev-Aligned) | 2 | ō | 9 | 10 | 11 |
| (Outside) | 3 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 |
| (Inside) Brush C | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
|  | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
|  | 2 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 2 |
|  | 3 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| (Aligned) | 4 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
|  | 5 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
|  | 6 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 2 |
|  | 7 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| (Rev-Aligned) | 8 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
|  | 9 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
|  | 10 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 2 |
|  | 11 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| (Outside) | 12 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
|  | 13 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
|  | 14 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 2 |
|  | 15 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 |



Each path from brush A represents a brush A category

## Routing table

|  |  | Index | Inside | Aligned | Rev-Aligned | Outside |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Brush A | - | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| (Inside) | Brush B | 0 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| (Aligned) |  | 1 | 4 | ! | ; | - |
| (Rev-Aligned) |  | 2 | 3 | 9 | 10 | 11 |
| (Outside) |  | 3 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 |
| (Inside) | Brush C | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
|  |  | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
|  |  | 2 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 2 |
|  |  | 3 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| (Aligned) |  | 4 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
|  |  | 5 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
|  |  | 6 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 2 |
|  |  | 7 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| (Rev-Aligned) |  | 8 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
|  |  | 9 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
|  |  | 10 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 2 |
|  |  | 11 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| (Outside) |  | 12 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
|  |  | 13 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
|  |  | 14 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 2 |
|  |  | 15 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 |



Each path from brush A represents a brush A category

## Routing table



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## Routing table

|  |  | Index | Inside | Aligned | Rev-Aligned | Outside |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Brush A | - | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| (Inside) | Brush B | 0 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| (Aligned) |  | 1 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
| (Rev-Aligned) |  | 2 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 |
| (Outside) |  | 3 | 12 | 3 | 14 | 5 |
| (Inside) | Brush C | 0 | C | () | () | $1)$ |
|  |  | 1 | (1) | 1 | J | 0 |
|  |  | 2 | 1) | 0 | 2 | 2 |
|  |  | 3 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| (Aligned) |  | 4 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
|  |  | 5 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
|  |  | 6 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 2 |
|  |  | 7 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| (Rev-Aligned) |  | 8 | J | 0 | 5 | 0 |
|  |  | 9 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
|  |  | 10 | 0 | 5 | 2 | 2 |
|  |  | 11 | U | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| (Outside) |  | 12 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
|  |  | 13 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
|  |  | 14 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 2 |
|  |  | 15 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 |



Each path from brush A represents a brush A category

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|  | Index | Inside | Aligned | Rev-Aligned | Outside |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Brush A | - | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| (Inside) Brush B | 0 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| (Aligned) | 1 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
| (Rev-Aligned) | 2 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 |
| (Outside) | 3 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 |
| (Inside) Brush C | 0 | C | C | C | 1 |
|  | 1 | C | , | (1) | () |
|  | 2 | c | () | ? | 2 |
|  | 3 | (1) | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| (Aligned) | 4 | $1)$ | 0 | 0 | 0 |
|  | 5 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
|  | 6 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 2 |
|  | 7 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| (Rev-Aligned) | 8 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
|  | 9 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
|  | 10 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 2 |
|  | 11 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| (Outside) | 12 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
|  | 13 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
|  | 14 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 2 |
|  | 15 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 |

Each path from brush A represents a brush A category

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|  |  | Index | Inside | Aligned | Rev-Aligned | Outside |
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|  | Brush A | - | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| (Inside) | Brush B | 0 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| (Aligned) |  | 1 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
| (Rev-Aligned) |  | 2 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 |
| (Outside) |  | 3 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 |
| (Inside) | Brush C | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
|  |  | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
|  |  | 2 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 2 |
|  |  | 3 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| (Aligned) |  | 4 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
|  |  | 5 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
|  |  | 6 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 2 |
|  |  | 7 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| (Rev-Aligned) |  | 8 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
|  |  | 9 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
|  |  | 10 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 2 |
|  |  | 11 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| (Outside) |  | 12 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
|  |  | 13 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
|  |  | 14 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 2 |
|  |  | 15 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 |



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| Brush A | - | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| (Inside) Brush B | 0 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| (Aligned) | 1 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
| (Rev-Aligned) | 2 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 |
| (Outside) | 3 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 |
| (Inside) Brush C | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
|  | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
|  | 2 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 2 |
|  | 3 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| (Aligned) | 4 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
|  | 5 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
|  | 6 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 2 |
|  | 7 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| (Rev-Aligned) | 8 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
|  | 9 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
|  | 10 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 2 |
|  | 11 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| (Outside) | 12 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
|  | 13 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
|  | 14 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 2 |
|  | 15 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 |



## Routing table




|  | Inside | Aligned | Rev-Aligned | Outside |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Inside | Inside | Inside | Inside | Inside |
| Aligned | Inside | Aligned | Inside | Aligned |
| Rev-Aligned | Inside | Inside | Rev-Aligned | Rev-Aligned |
| Outside | Inside | Aligned | Rev-Aligned | Outside |

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## Routing table

|  |  | Index | Inside | Aligned | Rev-Aligned | Outside |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Brush A | - | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| (Inside) | Brush B | 0 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| (Aligned) |  | 1 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
| (Rev-Aligned) |  | 2 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 |
| (Outside) |  | 3 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 |
| (Inside) | Brush C | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
|  |  | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
|  |  | 2 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 2 |
|  |  | 3 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| (Aligned) |  | 4 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
|  |  | 5 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
|  |  | 6 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 2 |
|  |  | 7 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| (Rev-Aligned) |  | 8 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
|  |  | 9 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
|  |  | 10 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 2 |
|  |  | 11 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| (Outside) |  | 12 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
|  |  | 13 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
|  |  | 14 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 2 |
|  |  | 15 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 |

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## Routing table

|  | Brush A) | Index | Inside | Aligned | Rev-Aligned | Outside |
| :---: | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| (Inside) | Brush B | 0 | 4 | 5 | 2 | 3 |
| (Aligned) | 1 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 |  |
| (Rev-Aligned) | 2 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 |  |
| (Outside) | 3 | 16 | 17 | 18 | 19 |  |
|  | (Inside) | Brush C | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |



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|  |  | Index | Inside | Aligned | Rev-Aligned | Outside |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Brush A | - | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| (Inside) | Brush B | 0 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
| (Aligned) |  | 1 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 |
| (Rev-Aligned) |  | 2 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 |
| (Outside) |  | 3 | 15 | 17 | 18 | 19 |
| (Inside) | Brush C | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
|  |  | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
|  |  | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
|  |  | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| (Aligned) |  | 4 |  | 0 | 0 | 0 |
|  |  | 5 | 0 | 1 | $\bigcirc$ |  |
|  |  | 6 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 2 |
|  |  | 7 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| (Rev-Aligned) |  | 8 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
|  |  | 9 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
|  |  | 10 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 2 |
|  |  | 11 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| (Outside) |  | 12 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
|  |  | 13 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
|  |  | 14 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 2 |
|  |  | 15 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 |



|  | Inside | Aligned | Rev-Aligned | Outside | $\begin{array}{ll} \text { 을 } \\ \frac{1}{2} \\ \hline 1 \end{array}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |  |
| 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | - |
| 2 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 2 | \% |
| 3 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | $\frac{\sigma}{\square}$ |

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|  |  | Index | Inside | Aligned | Rev-Aligned | Outside |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Brush A | - | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| (Inside) | Brush B | 0 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| (Aligned) |  | 1 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
| (Rev-Aligned) |  | 2 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 |
| (Outside) |  | 3 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 |
| (Inside) | Brush C | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
|  |  | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
|  |  | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
|  |  | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 |  |
| (Aligned) |  | 4 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
|  |  | 5 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
|  |  | 6 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
|  |  | 7 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 |
| (Rev-Aligned) |  | 8 | 0 | 0 | 0 |  |
|  |  | 9 | 0 | 1 | ก |  |
|  |  | 10 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 2 |
|  |  | 11 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| (Outside) |  | 12 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
|  |  | 13 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
|  |  | 14 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 2 |
|  |  | 15 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 |



|  | Inside | Aligned | Rev-Aligned | Outside |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 |
| 2 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 2 |
| 3 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 |

## Routing table




## Routing table

|  |  | Index | Inside | Aligned | Rev-Aligned | Outside |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Brush A | - | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| (Inside) | Brush B | 0 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| (Aligned) |  | 1 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
| (Rev-Aligned) |  | 2 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 |
| (Outside) |  | 3 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 |
| (Inside) | Brush C | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
|  |  | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
|  |  | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
|  |  | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| (Aligned) |  | 4 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
|  |  | 5 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
|  |  | 6 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
|  |  | 7 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 |
| (Rev-Aligned) |  | 8 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
|  |  | 9 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
|  |  | 10 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 2 |
|  |  | 11 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 2 |
| (Outside) |  | 12 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
|  |  | 13 | 0 | 1 | 0 |  |
|  |  | 14 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 2 |
|  |  | 15 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 |



|  | Inside | Aligned | Rev-Aligned | Outside |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 |
| 2 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 2 |
| 3 | $\bigcirc$ | 1 | 2 | 3 |

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## Routing table




|  | Inside | Aligned | Rev-Aligned | Outside |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 1 | C | 1 | 0 | 1 |
| 2 | 0 | C | 2 | 2 |
| 3 | C | 1 | 2 | 3 |


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## Routing table

|  | Index | Inside | Aligned | Rev-Aligned | Outside |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Brush A | - | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| Brush B | 0 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 |
|  | 1 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
|  | 2 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 |
|  | 3 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 |
| Brush C | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
|  | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
|  | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
|  | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
|  | 4 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
|  | 5 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
|  | 6 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
|  | 7 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 |
|  | 8 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
|  | 9 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
|  | 10 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 2 |
|  | 11 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 2 |
|  | 12 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
|  | 13 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
|  | 14 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 2 |
|  | 15 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 |


final output

## Routing table

|  | Index | Inside | Aligned | Rev-Aligned | Outside |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Brush A | - | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| Brush B | 0 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 |
|  | 1 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
|  | 2 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 |
|  | 3 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 |
| Brush C | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
|  | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
|  | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
|  | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
|  | 4 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
|  | 5 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
|  | 6 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
|  | 7 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 |
|  | 8 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
|  | 9 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
|  | 10 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 2 |
|  | 11 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 2 |
|  | 12 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
|  | 13 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
|  | 14 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 2 |
|  | 15 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 |

## Routing table

|  | Index | Inside | Aligned | Rev-Aligned | Outside |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Brush A | - | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| Brush B | 0 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 |
|  | 1 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
|  | 2 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 |
|  | 3 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 |
| Brush C | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
|  | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
|  | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
|  | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
|  | 4 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
|  | 5 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
|  | 6 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
|  | 7 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 |
|  | 8 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
|  | 9 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
|  | 10 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 2 |
|  | 11 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 2 |
|  | 12 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
|  | 13 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
|  | 14 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 2 |
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| Brush A | - | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| Brush B | 0 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| - | 1 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
|  | 2 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 |
|  | 3 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 |
| Brush C | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
|  | 1 |  |  |  |  |
|  | 2 |  |  |  |  |
|  | 3 |  |  |  |  |
|  | 4 |  |  |  |  |
|  | 5 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
|  | 6 |  |  |  |  |
|  | 7 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 |
|  | 8 |  |  |  | - |
|  | 9 |  | - | - |  |
|  | 10 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 2 |
|  | 11 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 2 |
|  | 12 |  |  |  |  |
|  | 13 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
|  | 14 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 2 |
|  | 15 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 |

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|  | Index | Inside | Aligned | Rev-Aligned | Outside |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Brush A | - | 0 | 1 | 2 | 0 |
| Brush B | 5 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
|  | 1 | 0 | 5 | 0 | 7 |
|  | 2 | 0 | 0 | 10 | 11 |
|  | 3 | 0 | 13 | 14 | 15 |
| Brush C | 0 | 0 | ! | 0 |  |
|  | 5 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
|  | 7 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 |
|  | 10 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 2 |
|  | 11 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 2 |
|  | 13 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
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|  | 15 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 |

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|  | Index | Inside | Aligned | Rev-Aligned | Outside |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Brush A - | - | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| Brush B | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
|  | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 2 |
|  | 2 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 3 |
|  | 3 | 0 | 1 | 3 | 4 |
| Brush C | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
|  | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
|  | 2 | 0 | 1 | 0 | - 1 |
|  | 3 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 2 |
|  | 4 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 |

Compact routing table
Cacheable per brush
Number of rows per brush $<255$

- 4 output values, $0-3,2$ bits $* 4=8$
- Row can be stored as 4 bytes
- More than 6 rows is rare
- Not all row output combinations make sense, or can be generated by operations
- Theoretical maximum is probably a lot lower


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## Brush categorization

Can have multiple brushes overlapping on the same polygon area


Solution: Make every brush remove the area of the previous brushes

## Brush categorization

## Solution:

Switch to variation of our operation tables that removes polygons that overlap by returning the outside category.

We use this on each brush beyond the brush the routing table belongs to.
Note: we keep using the original operation tables when combining routing tables


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## Solution:

Switch to variation of our operation tables that removes polygons that overlap by returning the outside category.

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## Brush categorization

## Solution:

Switch to variation of our operation tables that removes polygons that overlap by returning the outside category.

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- Reverse vertex index order


Reverse Aligned polygons need to be flipped

The payoff

- Scalable way of building geometry
- Iterative updates
- Everything we can do per brush, we can cache per brush!
- Updates can be easily split across multiple cores!


## Thank you!

## References

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