

# HitRecord

- Need some way of keeping track of closest hit
- Recommend a data structure to hold:
  - closest intersection (float distance)
  - Object ID of closest hit object
- `HitRecord::HitRecord(const float max)`
  - will not consider any hits farther away than `max`

# HitRecord

```
bool hit(float t, int obj_id)
```

Use like:

```
hitrecord.hit(t, i)
```

Bool return value for optimizations (and more uses later)

# HitRecord

- `float minT()`
  - returns minimum T value
- `bool didHit()`
  - returns whether or not anything was hit
- `int objID()`
  - returns ID of closest hit object
- Use a single hit record for each pixel (or for each shading point)

# Improved Sphere

- inline void intersect(HitRecord& hit, const Ray& ray) const
- Need to pass a HitRecord to any intersection function
- No longer need to return true/false

# Improved Sphere

- Add method:
  - inline Vector normal(const Vector &hitPoint) const;
  - returns the normal, given a hit position
- use HitRecord and original ray to determine hit point
  - $\text{hitPoint} = \text{ray.origin} + \text{ray.direction} * \text{hr.minT}()$

# Improved Sphere

- Needs to keep track of its “material”
- In TRaX, all materials are loaded for you
- We just keep track of an int: `matl_id`
- `Sphere(const Vector& center, const float radius, const int id, const int mat_id);`

# Data structures: Light

- Method to compute light incident to a point
  - Returns Color and Direction
- Point light:
  - Position
  - Color
- Directional light:
  - Vector direction
  - Color

# PointLight

```
float getLight(  
    Color& light_color,  
    Vector& light_direction,  
    const Vector& hitPoint) const;
```

- return value is distance to light
  - (pass this as max to HitRecrod constructor)
- light\_direction is normalized



# Data structures: Camera

- Method to compute ray for image  $x,y$   $[-1,1]$
- Pinhole camera:
  - Position
  - Lookat point or gaze direction
  - Up vector
  - U\_length
  - Aspect ratio

# PinholeCamera

```
PinholeCamera(const Vector& eye, const Vector&  
    lookat, const Vector& up, const float ulen, const float  
    aspect_ratio);
```

```
void makeRay(Ray& ray, float x, float y) const;
```

# Program 2

Part 1:

Run your program 1 on the TRaX simulator

```
./simhwrt --no-scene --load-assembly ../prog01/rt-  
llvm.s
```

generates “out.png” (and prints a whole bunch of stats)

Remember to follow TRaX programming guidelines!

# Running on TRaX

- First get the CPU version working (if it doesn't work, trax will definitely not work)
- If the trax version doesn't work, there are 2 likely culprits:
  - The assembler failed
  - The broken calling convention failed

# Running on TRaX

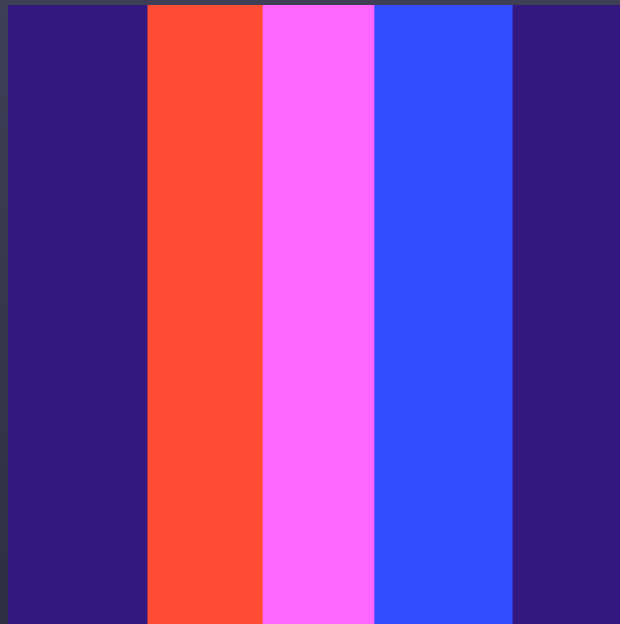
If the assembler failed, your code either uses the double data type, or tries to call some stdlib function, such as “new” or “malloc”

```
ERROR: undefined symbol: __malloc
failed to add instruction: bneid
line 34
assembler returned an error, exiting
```

# Running on TRaX

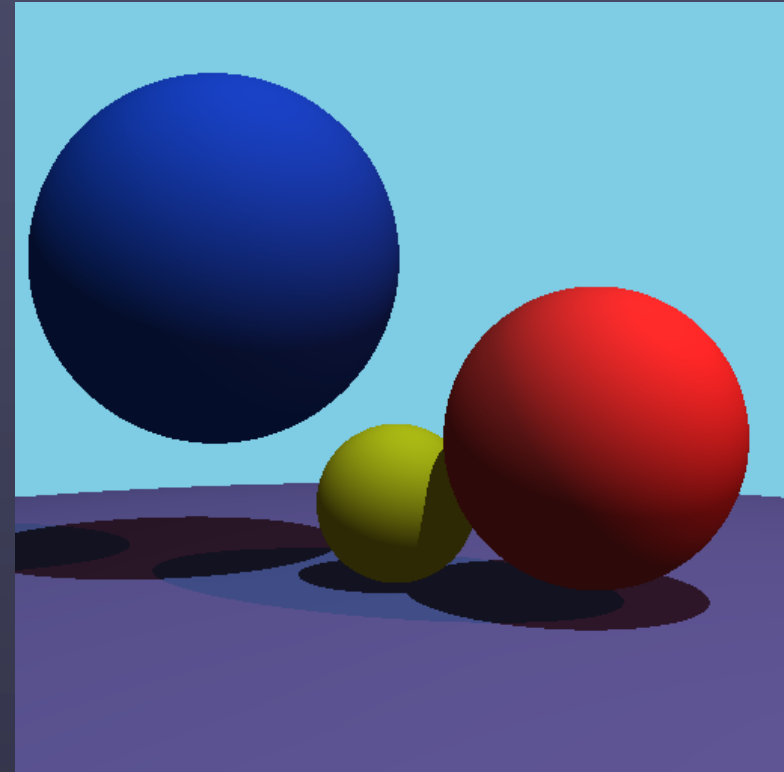
If the simulator runs, but produces incorrect output, you most likely are not passing some variable by reference:

`Ray::Ray(Vector p0, Vector d)` ← not reference!



# Program 2

- Part 2: Complete ray tracer with shadows
- Creative: better test scene
- Will be posted as soon as possible (no later than Thurs)



# Program 2

- For now, just keep an array of spheres, colors, and lights, pass them to shading functions

```
Color materials[4];
```

```
Sphere spheres[4];
```

```
PointLight lights[2];
```

```
materials[0] = Color(0.1f, 0.3f, 0.9f);
```

```
...
```

```
spheres[0] = Sphere(Vector(1.5f, 3.5f, 4.f), 2.4f, 0, 0);
```

```
...
```

```
result = shade(hitRecord, ray, hitPoint, spheres, materials,  
lights);
```



# Static scenes

- Alternatively, keep a “Scene” data structure, with pointers to these arrays (keep method signatures clean)
- The memory for these must never go out of scope (statically allocate them in main)
- Later on, all memory will be handled by the simulator

# Watch out for

- The TRaX simulator has several classes that may conflict with your class names:
  - Camera
  - Material
  - Primitive
  - Triangle
  - Vector3
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- Don't use these as class names in your ray tracer code