

approximate the line length

if $\text{abs}(x_2 - x_1) \geq \text{abs}(y_2 - y_1)$ then

Length = $\text{abs}(x_2 - x_1)$

else

Length = $\text{abs}(y_2 - y_1)$

end if

select the larger of Δx or Δy to be one raster unit

$\Delta x = (x_2 - x_1) / \text{Length}$

$\Delta y = (y_2 - y_1) / \text{Length}$

$x = x_1 + 0.5$

$y = y_1 + 0.5$

begin main loop

$i = 1$

while ($i \leq \text{Length}$)

setpixel(Integer(x), Integer(y))

$x = x + \Delta x$

$y = y + \Delta y$

$i = i + 1$

end while

Line from (0, 0) to (5, 5)

$x_1 = 0, y_1 = 0, x_2 = 5, y_2 = 5$, Length = 5

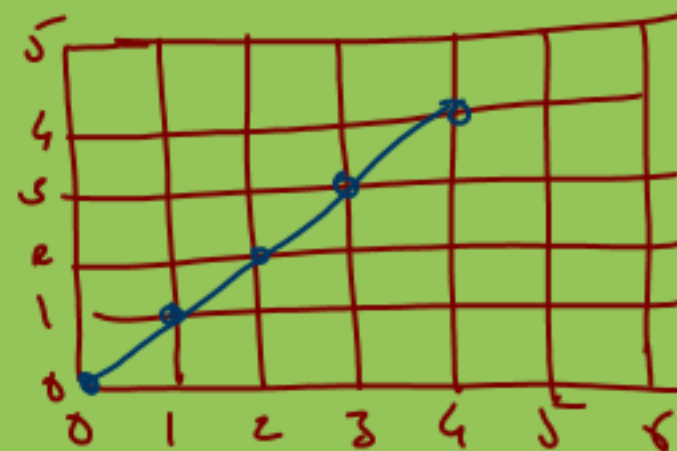
$\Delta x = (x_2 - x_1) / \text{Len} = 5 / 5 = 1$

$\Delta y = (y_2 - y_1) / \text{Len} = 5 / 5 = 1$

$x = 0.5, y = 0.5$

i	setpixel	x	y
		0.5	0.5
1	(0, 0)	1.5	1.5
2	(1, 1)	2.5	2.5
3	(2, 2)	3.5	3.5
4	(3, 3)	4.5	4.5
5	(4, 4)	5.5	5.5

stop



Bresenham's line rasterization algorithm for the first octant
the line end points are (x_1, y_1) and (x_2, y_2) , assumed not equal
Integer is the integer function
 $x, y, \Delta x, \Delta y$ are assumed integer; e is real

initialize variables

$x = x_1$

$y = y_1$

$\Delta x = x_2 - x_1$

$\Delta y = y_2 - y_1$

$m = \Delta y / \Delta x$

initialize e to compensate for a nonzero intercept

$e = m - 1/2$

begin the main loop

for $i = 1$ to Δx

setpixel(x, y)

while ($e > 0$)

$y = y + 1$

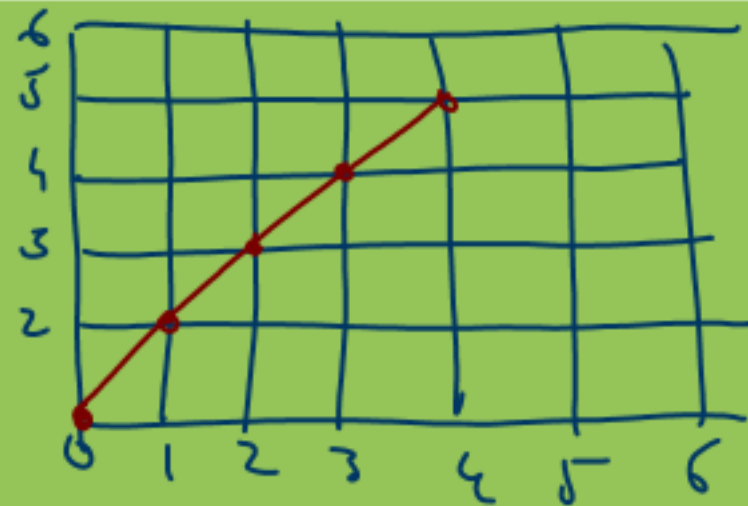
$e = e - 1$

end while

$x = x + 1$

$e = e + m$

next i



Consider a line $(0,0)$ to $(5,5)$.

Initial calculations are

$x=0, y=0, \Delta x=5, \Delta y=5, m=1$

$e = m - 1/2 = 1 - 1/2 = +1/2$

i	setpixel	e	x	y
		$1/2$	0	0
1	(0,0)	$-1/2$	0	1
		$1/2$	1	1
2	(1,1)	$-1/2$	1	2
		$1/2$	2	2
3	(2,2)	$-1/2$	2	3
		$1/2$	3	3
4	(3,3)	$-1/2$	3	4
		$1/2$	4	4
5	(4,4)			

$e \quad x \quad y$

$1/2 \quad 0 \quad 0$

$1/2 \quad 1 \quad 1$

$1/2 \quad 2 \quad 2$

$1/2 \quad 3 \quad 3$

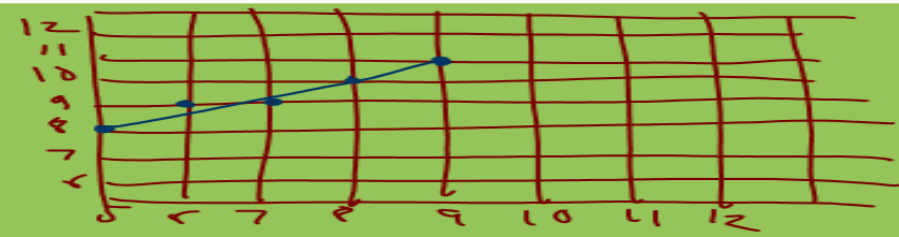
$1/2 \quad 4 \quad 4$

$6 > \Delta x$ stop

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Bresenham's integer algorithm for the first octant
the line end points are (x1, y1) and (x2, y2), assumed no
all variables are assumed integer
  initialize variables
  x = x1
  y = y1
  Δx = x2 - x1
  Δy = y2 - y1
  initialize ē to compensate for a nonzero intercept
  ē = 2 * Δy - Δx
  begin the main loop
  for i = 1 to Δx
    setpixel (x,y)
    while (ē > 0)
      y = y + 1
      ē = ē - 2 * Δx
    end while
    x = x + 1
    ē = ē + 2 * Δy
  next i
finish
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Draw a line (5,8) & (9,11)

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  begin the main loop
  for i = 1 to Δx
    setpixel (x,y)
    while (ē > 0)
      y = y + 1
      ē = ē - 2 * Δx
    end while
    x = x + 1
    ē = ē + 2 * Δy
  next i
finish
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Line (5,8) to (9,11)
Initial calculations

$x = 5, y = 8, \Delta x = x_2 - x_1 = 4, \Delta y = y_2 - y_1 = 3$

$\bar{e} = 2\Delta y - \Delta x = 2$

$2\Delta y = 6, 2\Delta x = 8$

i	setpixel	\bar{e}	x	y
		2	5	8
1	(5,8)	-6	5	9
		0	6	9
2	(6,9)	6	7	9
3	(7,9)	-2	7	10
		4	8	10
4	(8,10)	-4	8	11
		2	9	11
5	(9,11)			

initialize variables

$x = x_1$

$y = y_1$

$\Delta x = \text{abs}(x_2 - x_1)$

$\Delta y = \text{abs}(y_2 - y_1)$

$s_1 = \text{Sign}(x_2 - x_1)$

$s_2 = \text{Sign}(y_2 - y_1)$

interchange Δx and Δy ,

if $\Delta y > \Delta x$ then

Temp = Δx

$\Delta x = \Delta y$

$\Delta y = \text{Temp}$

Interchange = 1

else

Interchange = 0

end if

initialize the error term

$\bar{e} = 2 * \Delta y - \Delta x$

main loop

for $i = 1$ to Δx

setpixel(x, y)

finish

while ($\bar{e} > 0$)

if Interchange = 1 then

$x = x + s_1$

else

$y = y + s_2$

end if

$\bar{e} = \bar{e} - 2 * \Delta x$

end while

if Interchange = 1 then

$y = y + s_2$

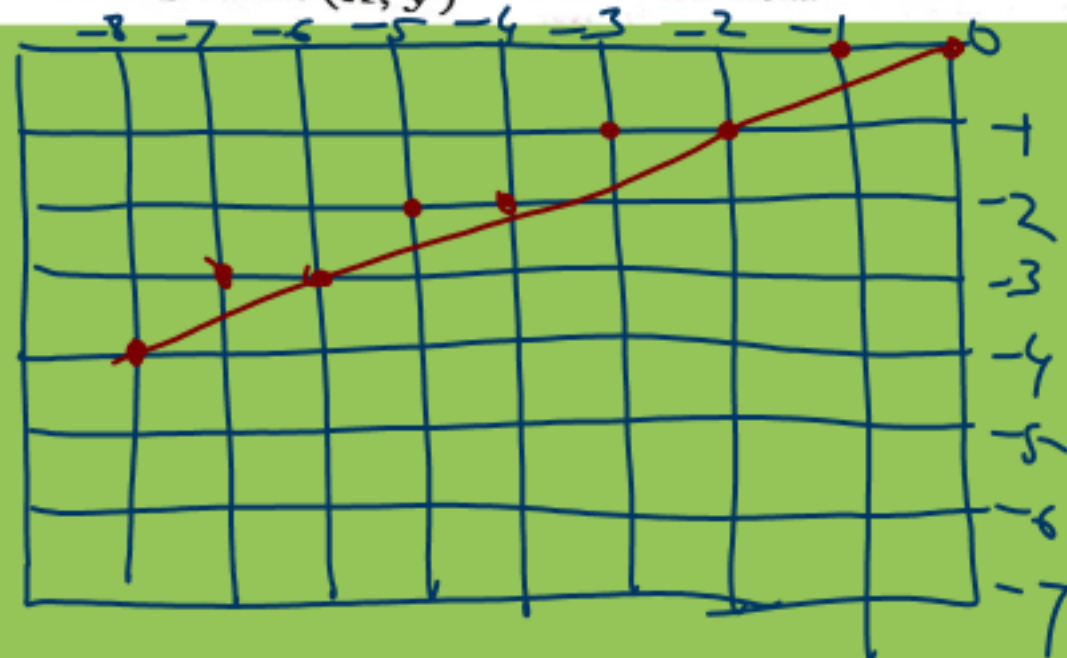
else

$x = x + s_1$

end if

$\bar{e} = \bar{e} + 2 * \Delta y$

next i



line (0,0) to (-8,-4)

Initial calculations:

$x=0, y=0, \Delta x=8, \Delta y=4, s_1=-1, s_2=-1$

$\Delta y < \Delta x$, so Interchange = 0

$\bar{e} = 2\Delta y - \Delta x = 8 - 8 = 0$

i setpixel \bar{e} x y

0 0 0

1 (0,0) 8 -1 0

2 (-1,0) -8 -1 -1

3 (-2,-1) 0 -2 -1

4 (-3,-1) 8 -3 -1

5 (-4,-2) -8 -3 -2

6 (-5,-2) 0 -4 -2

7 (-6,-3) 8 -5 -2

8 (-7,-3) -8 -5 -3

9 (-8,-4) 0 -6 -3

10 (-8,-4) 8 -7 -3

11 (-8,-4) -8 -7 -3

12 (-8,-4) 0 -8 -4

13 (-8,-4) 8 -8 -4

i \bar{e} x y

8 (-7,-3) -8 -7 -4

0 -8 -4

↑ (-8,-4)

→ Δx stop