The Mid-Point Circle Algorithm

MID-POINT CIRCLE ALGORITHM

• Input radius r and circle centre (x_c, y_c) , then set the coordinates for the first point on the circumference of a circle centred on the origin as:

$$(x_0, y_0) = (0, r)$$

Calculate the initial value of the decision parameter as:

$$p_0 = 5/4 - r \qquad \text{OR simply} \quad p_0 = 1 - r$$

Starting with $\vec{k} = 0$ at each position x_k , perform the following test. If $p_k < 0$, the next point along the circle centred on (0, 0) is (x_k+1, y_k) and:

$$p_{k+1} = p_k + 2x_{k+1} + 1$$

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Otherwise the next point along the circle is (x_k+1, y_k-1) and:

$$p_{k+1} = p_k + 2x_{k+1} + 1 - 2y_{k+1}$$

- 4. Determine symmetry points in the other seven octants
- 5. Move each calculated pixel position (x, y) onto the circular path centred at (x_c, y_c) to plot the coordinate values:

$$x = x + x_c$$
 $y = y + y_c$

6. Repeat steps 3 to 5 if x >= y false