

IM3026 Current Issues in Multimedia

Chapter 2
Multimedia Data Basics

Topics

- Multimedia System Technology
- Digitizing
- Input, Output and Storage Device
- Multimedia data
- Calculate file size

Discrete vs. Continuous Media

- Multimedia systems deal with the generation, manipulation, storage, presentation, and communication of information in digital form.
- The data may be in a variety of formats: text, graphics, images, audio, video.

Discrete vs. Continuous Media

- Two types of media:
 - Discrete or Static Media
 - Continuous Media

Discrete vs. Continuous Media

Discrete or Static Media

- Examples:
 - Text
 - Still images
 - Graphics

Discrete vs. Continuous Media

Continuous Media

- Examples:
 - Animation
 - Video
 - Sound

Analog and Digital Signals

- Continuous media can be represent in two form:
 - Analog signal
 - Digital signal

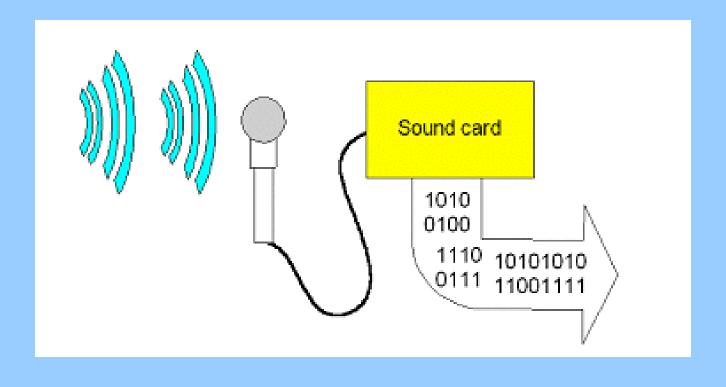
Analog and Digital Signals

- Continuous media can be represent in two form:
 - Analog signal
 - Digital signal
- Analog signals must be converted or digitized into discrete digital signals that computer can readily deal with.

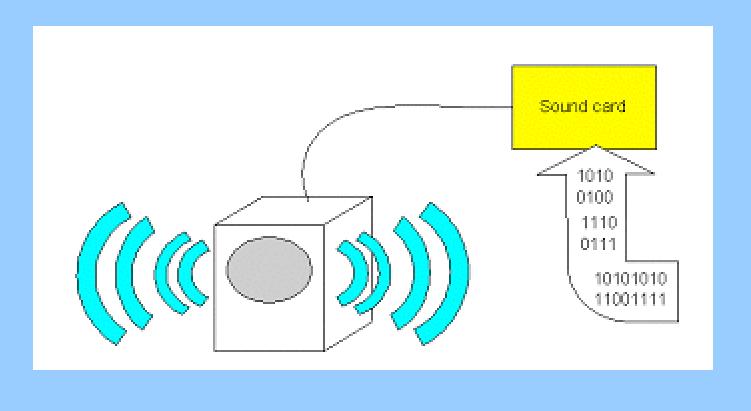
Analog and Digital Signals

- To convert analog signal to digital signal:
 - Use Analog-to-Digital Converters
- To convert digital signal to analog signal:
 - Use Digital-to-Analog Converters

Analog to Digital Signal



Digital to Analog Signal



Digitizing

Digitize

- To translate into a digital form.
- For example, optical scanners digitize images by translating them into bit maps.
- It is also possible to digitize sound, video, and any type of movement.

Class Exercise

Exercise 1:

- Find out how can we digitize these media.
 - Text
 - Photo
 - Sound
 - Video
- Explain the digitizing process for each media.

Input, Output and Storage Device

- How each media be input to a Multimedia system?
- File compression.
- Storage requirement for many form of media.

Input, Output and Storage Device

- Input device any computer components used to send data into the computer.
- Output device any computer component used to display the result from the computer.
- Storage device any computer component used to store data.

Input Devices

- The input devices for a basic multimedia system include
 - Keyboard
 - Scanner
 - Webcam
 - Graphic tablet
 - Microphone

Output Devices

- The output devices for a basic multimedia system include
 - A High Resolution Color Monitor
 - CD Quality Audio Output
 - Color Printer
 - Video Output to save Multimedia presentations to (Analog) Video Tape, CD-ROM DVD.
 - Audio Recorder (DAT, DVD, CD-ROM, (Analog)
 Cassette)
 - Storage Medium (Hard Disk, Removable Drives, CD-ROM)

- The major problems that affect storage media:
 - Large volume of data
 - Real time delivery
 - Data format
 - Storage Medium
 - Retrieval mechanisms

- Four factors:
 - Data
 - Data storage
 - Data transfer
 - OS support

Hard Disk

- Capacity: 120 gigabyte to 2 terabyte
- Access speed : 5400 rpm to 15000 rpm
- Less portable (except for removable hard disk)
- Used to store data after processing

Optical Disk

- A storage medium from which data is read and to which it is written by lasers.
- Three types:
 - Read Only Memory (ROM)
 - Write Once Read Many (WORM)
 - Erasable

Optical Disk

- Compact disc
- Digital versatile disc
- Bluray disc

RAID

- Short for Redundant Array of Independent (or Inexpensive) Disks
- A category of disk drives that employ two or more drives in combination for fault tolerance and performance.
- RAID disk drives are used frequently on servers but aren't generally necessary for personal computers.
- RAID allows you to store the same data redundantly (in multiple paces) in a balanced ay to improve overall performance.

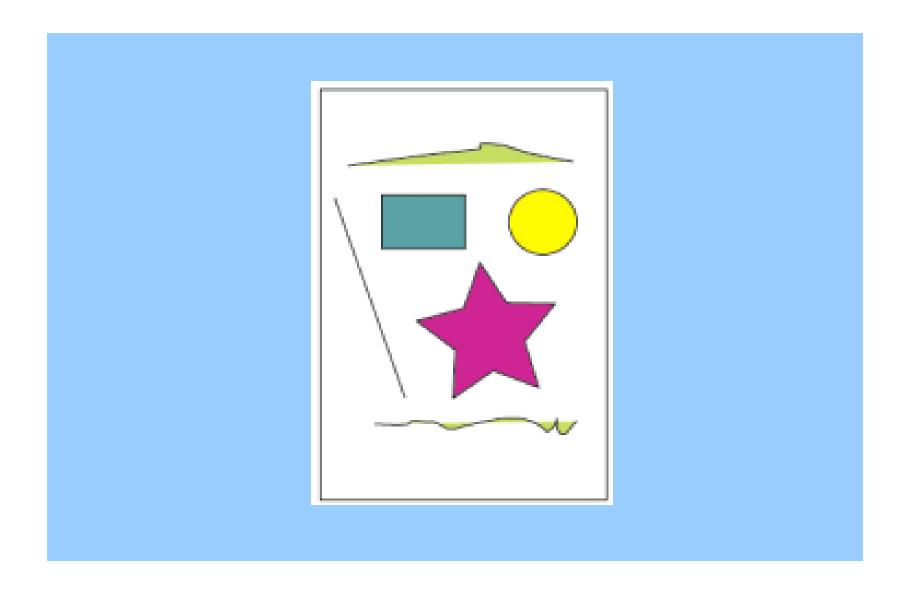
Text

- The sources of this media are the keyboard, floppies, disks and tapes.
- Text files are usually stored and input character by character.
- File format:
 - HyperText Markup Language (HTML)
 - Rich Text Format (RTF)
 - A program source code (C, Pascal etc ...)
- The basic storage of text is 1 byte per character (text or format character).

Graphics

- Graphics are usually constructed by the composition of primitive objects such as lines, polygons, circles, curves and arcs.
- Graphics are usually generated by a graphics editor program or automatically by a program.
- Graphics input devices include:
 - keyboard (for text and cursor control)
 - mouse
 - trackball
 - graphics tablet

Graphics



Images

- Images may be generated by programs similar to graphics or animation programs.
- But images may be scanned for photographs or pictures using a digital scanner or from a digital camera.
- Some video cameras allow for still image capture also.



Images

- Images may be stored at 1 bit per pixel (Black and White), 8 Bits per pixel (Grey Scale, Color Map) or 24 Bits per pixel (True Color).
- Thus a 512x512 Grey scale image takes up 1/4 Mb, a 512x512 24 bit image takes 3/4 Mb with no compression.

Audio

- Audio signals are continuous analog signals.
- They are first captured by a microphones and then digitized and store -- usually compressed as CD quality audio requires 16-bit sampling at 44.1 KHz.
- 1 Minute of Mono CD quality audio requires
 60*44100*2 Bytes which is approximately 5 Mb.

Video

- Analog Video is usually captured by a video camera and then digitized.
- There are a variety of video (analog and digital) formats such as MPEG, AVI, MOV etc ...
- Raw video can be regarded as being a series of single images.
- There are typically 25, 30 or 50 frames per second.
- Therefore a 512x512 size monochrome video images take 25*0.25 = 6.25Mb for a minute to store uncompressed.
- Digital video clearly needs to be compressed.

Raw Image File Size

Formula:

(Horizontal pixels x Vertical pixels x Color Depth) / 8

Color depth:

1-bit = 2 colors 3-bit = 8 colors

8-bit = 256 colors 16-bit = 65536 colors

24-bit = 16 777 216 colors 32-bit = 4 294 967 296 color

Raw Image File Size

Example:

Determine the file size for a 16-bit, size 250 pixels x 340 pixels image.

 $(250 \times 340 \times 16) / 8 = 170000$ bytes

Audio File Size

Formula:

Duration x Sample Rate x Bit Rate x No. of Channel

Sample Rate in Hertz (Hz)

Bit Rate: 8-bit = 1, 16-bit = 3

No. of Channel: Mono = 1, Stereo = 2, 5.1 = 6

Audio File Size

Example:

Determine the file size for 30 seconds of 16-bit, 11kHz stereo audio.

 $30 \times 2 \times 11000 \times 2 = 1320000 \text{ bytes}$

Digital Video File Size

Formula:

Video size x fps x color x duration

Video size in pixel

Fps: No. of frame per second

No. of Color: B&W = 1, Color = 3

Digital Vide0 File Size

Example:

Determine the file size for 30 seconds of 320 x 240, 25 fps, color digital video.

 $30 \times 320 \times 240 \times 25 \times 3 = 1728000000$ bytes

Class Exercise

Exercise 2:

Explain why do computer games require large storage capacity?