

Computer Graphics and Virtual Reality

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Graphics - Pictorial representation of Data

Definitions of Computer Graphics

- 1) Computer graphics include anything on a computer that is not text or sound.
- 2) Drawing pictures on computers (rendering) and those drawings can be photographs, movies, simulations.
- 3) Generation of graphs, tables, static or moving images by computer systems. usually on cathode ray tubes. Vector tubes \Rightarrow Produces line images. Raster/Scan tubes. Raster tubes Scan tubes. They are both types of cathode ray tubes.
 Raster \Rightarrow Beaming of electron beam on the screen of a monitor in the fashion of rows and columns.
 Screens consist of collection of dots called pixel grids. Pixels, grids, frames. They can vary in colour & brightness.
- 4) Provides a set of tools to create pictures and to interact with them. The tools consist of hardware and software which enable programmers to produce pictures with some machines capabilities.

5.) is a technology in which pictures are generated, acquired, ^{re-}processed, managed, displayed, stored in an application oriented manner by means of a computer. Pictures are correlated with non graphical applications data. Graphics are synchronized with text and sound. Audio-visual

6.) Implies computer aided integration and handling of pictures synchronized with other data types e.g. video, audio, text or multimedia systems and the advanced dialogue techniques associated with these types

7.) Is regarded as a branch of computer science that deals with the theory of ~~and~~ technology computerized image synthesis.

8.) Is seen as the basic technology for accomplishing visualization and implementing interactive graphics dialogue

use it to design an engineering Application such as Computer Aided Design (CAD)

for printing, publishing office application for research & medical sciences.

Media and Visual Communication
Geographical Information Systems (GIS)

Architecture & Civil Engineering

Is seen as the key technology for enabling important trends in Computer Science and IT for the

Development of new Paradigms

Distributed multimedia and Cooperative apps

Computer supported work & apps

Development of Computer generated environment

(Virtual Reality)

Analysis & simulation of complex ^{Information} ^{Global Information} ^{Visualization} (Information)

Realization of complex graphics intelligent information Systems

Information

(Global Information Visualization)

Geometric Concise an image

⇒ Mathematical definition & understanding

⇒ Transformation into a Continuous space

⇒ Convert to discrete pixel

(Scan Conversion)

Distortion sets in while carrying out Conversion

~~Aliasing~~ Aliasing Effect ⇒ Process to fix of distortion

Anti Aliasing ⇒ Process of removing distortion

Distortion - e.g. when the quality of the image generated is not good enough

Hidden Surface Removal

Representing 3d shape on a 2d plane
Projection method.

2 Types of Computer Images

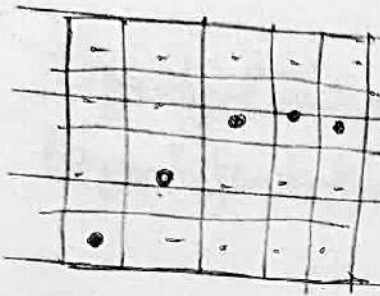
- Object Oriented (Vector Graphics)
- Raster Graphics

Vector Graphics makes use of dot (point) & lines, geometrical primitives to represent images
Pros

- ⇒ No effect on image quality on resize
- ⇒ Vector image size are small in size i.e. small storage requirement
- ⇒ The higher resolution ^{of the computer}, the sharper the image
- ⇒ Poor job of translating to

Raster Graphics

Rows & columns, identifying of pixels in different rows and columns to form images



more intensity on certain pixels

Images are produced ^{fixed} and in independently controlled dots arranged in rows and columns.

^{Raster technology} Raster treats images as a collection of dots/pixels. Near to machine-readable formats but not intuitively.

Pros

⇒ Image distort on resizing

Assignment

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System elements

- Graphic input devices

Physical & logical devices

- Graphical output

devices

A digital image discrete pixel or picture elements. Pixels are arranged in

rows & columns to form a rectangular picture area referred to as a raster

To calculate the total no of pixel of an image you have to look at the row & the column sizes

in an image

The total no of pixels is the function of the size of the image and the number of pixels per unit length in the horizontal & vertical directions.

Number of pixel per unit length is called resolution of an image. eg 3 by 2 inch image at a res of 300 pixel per unit length

$$3 \times 300 \text{ pixel} \times 2 \times 300 \text{ pixel}$$

$$900 \text{ pixels} \times 600 \text{ pixel}$$

$$540,000 \text{ pixels}$$

$$\text{Aspect Ratio} = \frac{\text{Image width}}{\text{Image height}} \\ = \frac{3}{2} \quad \text{or} \quad 3:2$$

Colour Models

Colour Complex and it is an interdisciplinary subject.

⇒ RGB - Colour Model ↗ Primary Colours
Red, Green, Blue

⇒ CMY - Cyan, Magenta, Yellow

2^n , n = total no of bits per colour
if one colour is assigned

then $2^9 = \text{total no of states}$ 3 bits

String

Direct Coding

Look up table

Direct Coding

Pixel value $\frac{1}{2}$ pixel colour

R G B

0 0 0

0 0 1

0 1 0

0 1 1

1 0 0

1 0 1

1 1 0

1 1 1

Increasing the no of bits

to for different colour combinations

causes the storage requirements
increases.

Look up table

Using ^{Indices} ~~indexes~~ to look for colour value on a
table

Storage requirement is minimal in look up table.
The index is the pixel

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Monochromatic & Color Display Monitor pg 9, 10

monochromatic

⇒ Control electrode helps direct or control the path of the beam

⇒ Horizontal plates help deflect beams from the left to right. The vertical plates control the beam to go from top to bottom

Color

The color display has three electron guns, the screen is coated with three different types of phosphor

Printer

A printer deposits color pigments onto a print medium at different intensity.

Techniques

1) Halftoning - Variably increases the intensity of pixel pigment dots at an angle 45° with the screen.

2.) Halftone Approximation: uses pixel grid patterns.

Binned means rows and columns must be the same e.g. 3×3 , 4×4 .

When printing, the previous level's output would be carried into the next level.

Halftone grid pattern are also referred to as dither patterns.

Dither matrix is the technique used to determine where to print.

Dither matrix pattern e.g.
$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

We start from the least index till $n-1$

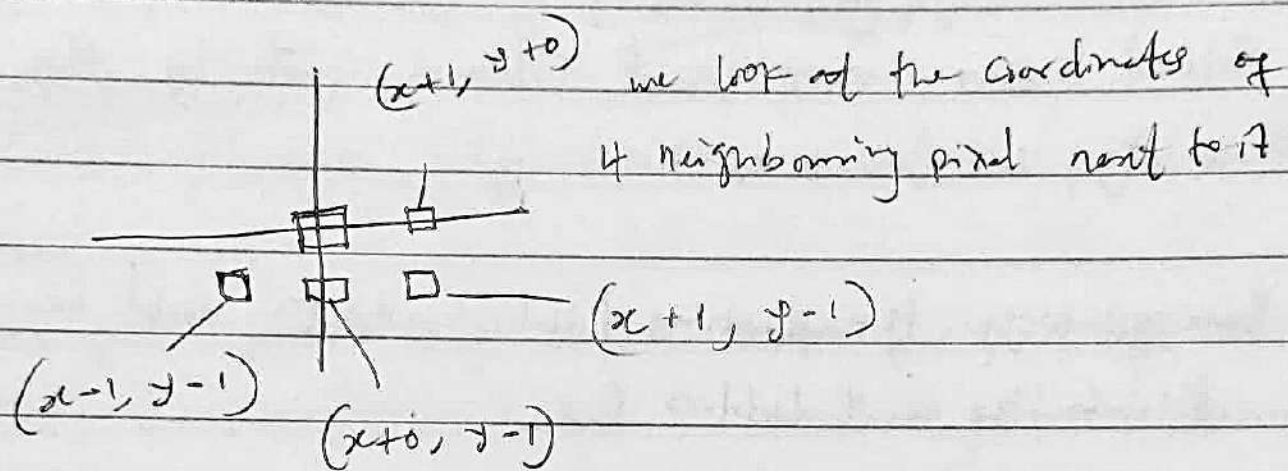
This matrix pattern is used to avoid symmetry.

3.) Dithering: Technique that provides a matrix (x, y) and an intensity level and a $n \times n$ matrix

$x \bmod n = i$ if the sum of the values of

$y \bmod n = j$ i & j is less than the value of the intensity value, print on the cell at location (x, y)

4) Error Diffusion: The pixels points increasingly on a cell close to it.



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Setting The Colour Attributes of Pixels

SetPixel(x, y, rgb) - Direct Coding

SetPixel(x, y, i) - Lookup Table

$x, y \Rightarrow$ pixel coordinates

$rgb \Rightarrow$ 3 element array where $rgb[0] = r$

$rgb[1] = g$

$rgb[2] = b$

$i \Rightarrow$ index of the address containing the (r, g, b) value in a lookup table

In one protocol the application provides both coordinate information simultaneously.

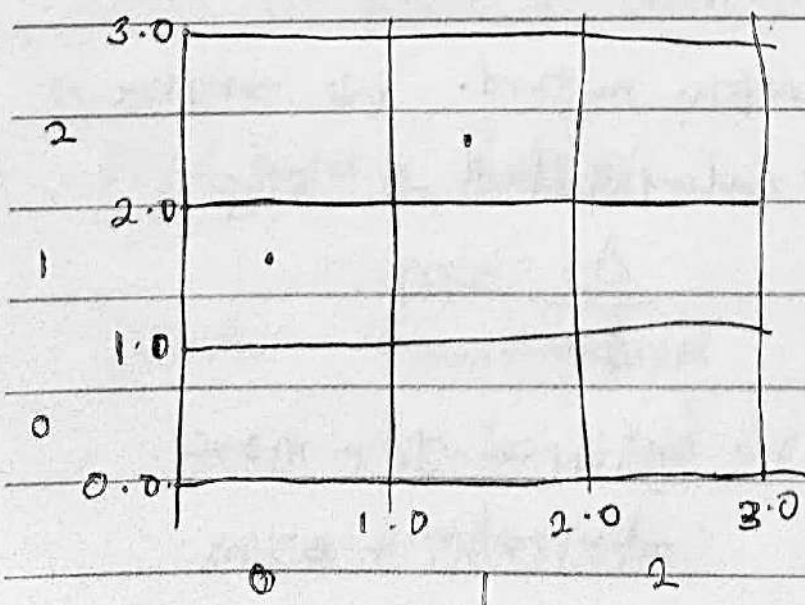
$\text{SetEntry}(i, rgb)$ can be used to set the value from the lookuptable whose address is i .

GetEntry is used to obtain the colour like in the entry i through the array parameter rgb

Scan Conversion

Refers to the process of converting geometric shapes or objects defined in terms of mathematical representation into pixel values that can be displayed on a screen.

How can we scan convert a point



$P_1 =$

$P'_1 =$

$P_2 =$

$P'_2 =$

Direct use of the line equation

DDA Algorithm (Digital differential analyzer)

Bresenham's line

Direct use of line equation

Two endpoints must be established ^{before} ~~for~~ drawing a line

$$y = mx + b$$

$$m = \frac{y'_2 - y_1}{x'_2 - x_1}$$

$$b = y'_1 - mx'_1$$

DDA (Digital differential analyzer)

Incremental scan conversion method. We assume at a certain step we have calculated that step

$$\frac{\Delta y}{\Delta x} = m$$

$$\Delta y = y_{i+1} - y_i$$

$$\Delta x = x_{i+1} - x_i$$

$$y_{i+1} = y_i + m \Delta x$$

$$x_{i+1} = x_i + \Delta x / m$$

Bresenham's Line Algorithm

circle equation has three

Assignment

but two others are inefficient

use Bresenham's line to calculate circle equation

use Bresenham's Algorithm to Scan Convert a circle

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Computer Graphics

Scan - Converting A Rectangle

The sides of a rectangle are parallel

Region filling

The process of "coloring in" a definite image area or region

Pixel level - Raster

Extension - Boundary pixel

Boundary filled algorithm - used to fill a boundary pixel

Interior - flood-fill algorithm

Geometric level

4- Connected vs 8- Connected

Boundary - fill Algorithm - extension

is a recursive algorithm that begins with a starting pixel, called a seed inside the region.

Flood - fill Algorithm - Interior

Also begins with a seed (starting pixel)

Scan - line Algorithm

This handles polygonal region that are geometrically defined by the coordinates of their vertices. Horizontal edges are ignored since the pixels are automatically filled during scan conversion.

Scan - Conversion is character

Bitmap font - Raster approach

Outline font - Vector approach

Types of Anti-Aliasing (Distortion)

Staircase - Jagged or staircase

Unequal Brightness - Slanted lines appear dimmer than horizontal or vertical.

- distance between horizontal or vertical lines are ± 1 unit.

- Slanted lines difference is 1.414 units

- Pixel Fence Problem.

4/7/2024 : System of Transformation.

Transformation type dimension:

- Rotation
- Reflection

Transformation is the process of introducing change in the shape, size and orientation of the object using scaling, rotation, shearing, translation e.t.c.

Translation is the process of changing the position of an object in a straight line path from one coordinate location to another. Every point (x, y) in the object must undergo a displacement to x' / y' . x becomes $x' = x + t_x$ while y becomes $y' = y + t_y$.

Rotation : A two dimensional rotation is done by repositioning the coordinate along a circular path, on the x, y plane.

by making an angle with the axis. The transform is now given by x' from x, y axis so

$$\begin{aligned}x' &= r \cos(\theta + \phi) \\y' &= r \sin(\theta + \phi)\end{aligned}$$

Scaling (Rigid objects (check)) - Objects that the shape doesn't change no matter the transform.

Scaling: The scaling transformation changes the shape of an object and can be carried out by multiplying each vertex x, y by scaling factor (S_x, S_y) where S_x is the scaling factor of x and S_y is the scaling factor of y .

Shearing: The shearing transformation actually slants the object along the x direction or y direction as required.

Reflection Reflection is the transformation that produces a mirror image of an object.

Shearing is not a form of Transformation.

Re occurring question

- Techniques to get multiple intensity in a printer
- Illustrative explanation of monochromatic display and Colour monitor display
- Two methods of ~~image~~ ^{Colour} representation
- Diff b/w Image processing and Computer graphics
- Loading Image file / encoding of Image file
- Scan conversion of rectangular objects and polygonal objects
- How to prove the formulas for calculating decision variable in Bresenham's algorithm
- Rotation
- Region filling, boundary-fill and Flood-fill algorithms
- 2d and 3d transformation
- Input devices
- Clipping; Sutherland - Hodgman, Cohen - Sutherland
- Concept of Computer graphics in digital image processing and human Computer Interaction
- Description of how to draw an object on a white piece of paper and using computing tool to produce the same effect

- Scan Converting a character
- Aliasing effect