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Aim: Implement Area filling Algorithms: Boundary fill, Flood fill.

Theory: \* Boundary fill

- Boundary fill algorithm starts with some interior pixel of a polygon, called seed pixel and keeps filling neighbouring pixels in outward directions until the boundary colour is encountered.

- It starts with 3 parameters:

- interior point  $(x, y)$ , fill & boundary colour.

- This approach retrieves colour of current pixel and compares it with fill colour & boundary colour.

- If colour of pixel  $\neq$  fill colour & boundary colour then fill it with fill colour and make a recursive call, otherwise skip pixel.

- Neighbour pixel connected using 4-connectivity fails to paint entire region, so 8 is used which is time consuming & memory intensive.

- This method is used in interactive painting packages, where selection of interior pixel can be done easily using a mouse.

- Recursively this algorithm checks all pixels in given polygon & fills them if not already filled.



Algorithm:

// fill Colour: Colour to be filled in Polygon.  
 // boundary Color: Color of boundary.

Current  $\leftarrow$  getColor(x, y) // Retrieve color of current pixel.

if Current  $\neq$  fillcolor && Current  $\neq$  boundary color  
 putpixel(x, y, fillcolor).

Boundary fill (x+1, y, fillcolor, boundarycolor)  
 Boundary fill (x-1, y, fillcolor, boundarycolor)  
 Boundary fill (x, y+1, fillcolor, boundarycolor)  
 Boundary fill (x, y-1, fillcolor, boundarycolor).

end.

- This algorithm may not work properly if some pixels are already filled, because algo returns when the current pixel is either boundary pixel or it is filled.
- To avoid this, we shall set the colour of all interior point pixels to background color.

Advantages: Simple, easy to implement, works for any type of polygon.

Disadvantages: Requires extensive stacking due to recursion, require more memory, not suitable for large polygons, etc.



## \* Flood fill.

- Many realistic objects have different colored boundaries. Boundary filling algorithm can't fill the polygon with multi-colored boundary.
- Flood fill can handle such issues. The algorithm starts with interior point pixel, fill color and old color.
  - If color pixel is same as old pixel, it fills it with fill color and examines its neighbours recursively.
- Like boundary fill, if interior pixel is already filled with some other color, flood fill also fails. To handle this, we shall point to first point all the exterior points with ~~last~~ background (old) color.

### The Algorithm:

Floodfill ( $x, y$ , fillcolor, oldcolor)

current  $\leftarrow$  getcolor ( $x, y$ )

if current  $\neq$  old color then

putpixel ( $x, y$ , color)

Floodfill ( $x+1, y$ , fillcolor, oldcolor)

Floodfill ( $x-1, y$ , fillcolor, oldcolor)

Floodfill ( $x, y+1$ , fillcolor, oldcolor)

Floodfill ( $x, y-1$ , fillcolor, oldcolor)

end



Advantages: Simple, easy to implement, Boundary fill algorithm cannot handle the object with multi-color boundary, whereas Flood fill can.

Disadvantages:

- Requires extensive stacking
- Slow in nature
- Not suitable for large polygons.

# BOUNDARY FILL

## PROGRAM:

```
#include <stdio.h>

#include <graphics.h>

void boundaryFill8(int x, int y, int fill_color,int boundary_color)
{
    if(getpixel(x, y) != boundary_color &&
        getpixel(x, y) != fill_color)
    {
        putpixel(x, y, fill_color);
        boundaryFill8(x + 1, y, fill_color, boundary_color);
        boundaryFill8(x, y + 1, fill_color, boundary_color);
        boundaryFill8(x - 1, y, fill_color, boundary_color);
        boundaryFill8(x, y - 1, fill_color, boundary_color);
        boundaryFill8(x - 1, y - 1, fill_color, boundary_color);
        boundaryFill8(x - 1, y + 1, fill_color, boundary_color);
        boundaryFill8(x + 1, y - 1, fill_color, boundary_color);
        boundaryFill8(x + 1, y + 1, fill_color, boundary_color);
    }
}

void main()
{
    int gd = DETECT, gm;
    initgraph(&gd, &gm, "C:\\\\TURBOC3\\\\BGI");

    rectangle(50, 50, 100, 100);
    boundaryFill8(55, 55, 4, 15);
    delay(10000);
    getch();
    closegraph();
    restorecrtmode();
}
```

### OUTPUT:



## FLOOD FILL

### PROGRAM:

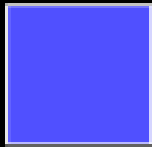
```
#include <graphics.h>
#include <stdio.h>

void flood (int x,int y, int new_col, int old_col)
{
    if (getpixel(x,y)==old_col){
        putpixel(x,y,new_col);
        flood(x+1,y,new_col,old_col);
        flood(x-1,y,new_col,old_col);
        flood(x,y+1,new_col,old_col);
        flood(x,y-1,new_col,old_col);
    }
}

int main(int top,int bottom,int left,int right, int x, int y, int newcolor, int oldcolor)
{
    int gd=DETECT, gm;
    initgraph(&gd,&gm,"C:\\\\TURBOC3\\\\BGI");
    top=left=50;
```

```
bottom=right=100;  
x=51;  
y=51;  
newcolor=9;  
oldcolor=0;  
rectangle(top,left,bottom,right);  
flood(x,y, newcolor, oldcolor);  
getch();  
closegraph();  
return 0;  
}
```

### OUTPUT:



Conclusion : We have studied Boundary fill & flood fill algorithms. We learnt in detail about thier algorithms, pros & cons. Thereafter, we have also implemented programs for both of these methods.