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Experiment No. 2
Implement Bresenham's Line Drawing algorithm.
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Aim: To implement Bresenham's algorithms for drawing a line segment between two given end points.

Objective:

Draw a line using Bresenham's line algorithm that determines the points of an n-dimensional raster that should be selected to form a close approximation to a straight line between two points

Theory:

In Bresenham's line algorithm pixel positions along the line path are obtained by determining the pixels i.e. nearer the line path at each step.

Algorithm -

- 1. Input two endpoints: (x1, y1) and (x2, y2).
- 2. Calculate the differences in the x and y coordinates:
- 3. dx = x2 x1 dy = y2 y1
- 4. Initialize variables for tracking the current position, decision parameter, and steps:
- 5. x = x1 y = y1 d = 2 * dy dx $x_{increment} = 1$ $y_{increment} = 1$
- 6. If dx < 0, set x_increment to -1.
- 7. If dy < 0, set y_increment to -1.
- 8. Start a loop that runs from 1 to dx (or -dx if dx is negative):
- 9. a. Plot the pixel at the current position (x, y).
- 10. b. If the decision parameter is greater than or equal to 0, increment y by y_increment and update the decision parameter:
- 11. if $d \ge 0$: y = y + y increment d = d 2 * dx
- 12. c. Increment x by x_increment.
- 13. d. Update the decision parameter:
- 14. d = d + 2 * dy
- 15. Repeat the loop until you have plotted all the necessary pixels to draw the line segment.

Program -

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

int main()
{
  int x,y,x1,y1,x2,y2,p,dx,dy;
  int gd=DETECT,gm=0;
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initgraph(&gd,&gm, "");
printf("\n Enter x1 cordinate: ");
scanf("%d",&x1);
printf("\n Enter y1 cordinate: ");
scanf("%d",&y1);
printf("\n Enter x2 cordinate: ");
scanf("%d",&x2);
printf("\n Enter y2 cordinate: ");
scanf("%d",&y2);
x=x1;
y=y1;
dx=x2-x1;
dy=y2-y1;
putpixel (x,y, RED);
p = (2 * dy-dx);
while(x \le x2)
{
if(p<0)
x = x+1;
p = p + 2*dy;
else
x = x + 1;
y = y + 1;
p = p + (2 * dy) - (2 * dx);
putpixel (x,y, RED);
}
getch();
closegraph();
}
```



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Output -



Conclusion: Comment on -

- 1. Pixel- The "pixel" is represented by the **putpixel** function. It sets the color of individual pixels on the screen.
- 2. Equation for line- The algorithm calculates and uses the difference in the x and y coordinates (dx and dy) to determine which pixels to color to approximate the line.
- 3. Need of line drawing algorithm- The need for a line drawing algorithm arises from the discrete nature of digital screens, which represent images using pixels on a grid. To draw a continuous line on such a grid, an algorithm like Bresenham's is necessary to determine which pixels to color to create the appearance of a smooth line.
- 4. Slow or fast- Bresenham's algorithm is relatively fast and efficient, especially for drawing lines with integer coordinates. It uses integer arithmetic and avoids floating-point calculations