

LAB 2: IMPLEMENTATION OF DDA LINE DRAWING ALGORITHM (PYTHON)

Objective(s)

- i) To understand the Digital Differential Analyzer (DDA) line drawing algorithm.
- ii) To implement the DDA algorithm in Python and visualise the generated pixels.
- iii) To compare DDA with the analytical line equation.

Software(s) Required:

Python 3, matplotlib, any IDE or Jupyter Notebook.

Theory:

Given two endpoints (x_1, y_1) and (x_2, y_2) , we define: The number of steps is chosen as: In raster graphics, a straight line must be approximated using discrete pixels. The DDA algorithm is an incremental method that uses the line slope to step along the dominant axis and compute intermediate points. $dx = x_2 - x_1$, $dy = y_2 - y_1$ $\text{steps} = \max(|dx|, |dy|)$ The increment in each step is: $x_{\text{inc}} = dx / \text{steps}$, $y_{\text{inc}} = dy / \text{steps}$ Starting from (x_1, y_1) , the algorithm adds these increments repeatedly and rounds to the nearest pixel.

Algorithm: DDA Line Drawing 1. Read starting point (x_1, y_1) and ending point (x_2, y_2)

2. Compute dx, dy and number of steps.

3. Compute x_{inc} and y_{inc} .

4. Initialise $x = x_1$, $y = y_1$.

5. For $k = 0$ to steps:

- Plot pixel at $(\text{round}(x), \text{round}(y))$.

- Update $x = x + x_{\text{inc}}$, $y = y + y_{\text{inc}}$.

Qn1.Implement the DDA algorithm as a function that returns x and y coordinate

Code:

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import matplotlib.pyplot as plt

def dda(x1, y1, x2, y2):
    x = []
    y = []

    dx = x2 - x1
    dy = y2 - y1

    steps = int(max(abs(dx), abs(dy)))

    x_inc = dx / steps
    y_inc = dy / steps

    x_curr = x1
    y_curr = y1

    for _ in range(steps + 1):
        x.append(x_curr)
        y.append(y_curr)
        x_curr += x_inc
        y_curr += y_inc

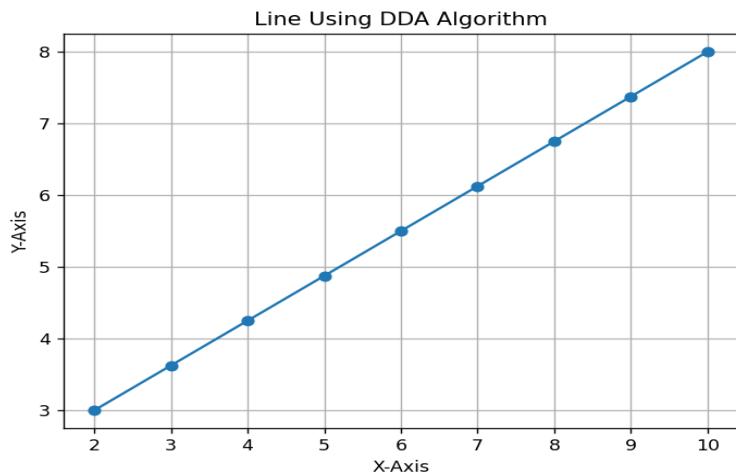
    return x, y

x_points, y_points = dda(2, 3, 10, 8)

print("X coordinates:", x_points)
print("Y coordinates:", y_points)

plt.plot(x_points, y_points, marker='o')
plt.title("Line Using DDA Algorithm")
plt.xlabel("X-Axis")
plt.ylabel("Y-Axis")
plt.grid(True)
plt.show()
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Output:



Qn2.Draw a line with the different slopes: $m < 1, m > 1$, horizontal, vertical and negative slope

Code:

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import matplotlib.pyplot as plt

# m < 1 (gentle positive slope)
x1 = [0, 10]
y1 = [0, 5]

# m > 1 (steep positive slope)
x2 = [0, 5]
y2 = [0, 10]

# Horizontal line (slope = 0)
x3 = [0, 10]
y3 = [5, 5]

# Vertical line (undefined slope)
x4 = [5, 5]
y4 = [0, 10]

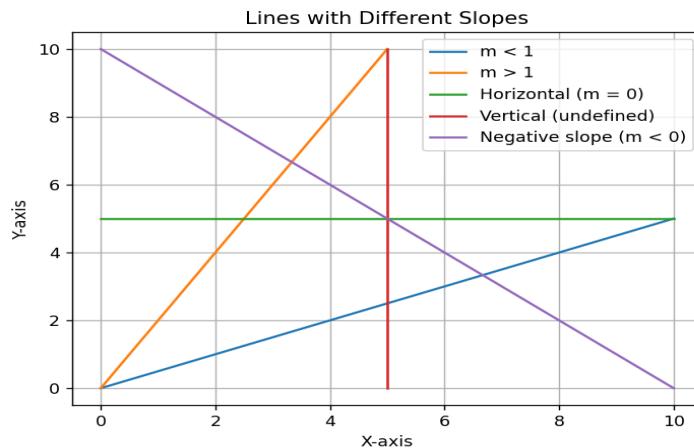
# Negative slope
x5 = [0, 10]
y5 = [10, 0]

plt.plot(x1, y1, label="m < 1")
plt.plot(x2, y2, label="m > 1")
plt.plot(x3, y3, label="Horizontal (m = 0)")
plt.plot(x4, y4, label="Vertical (undefined)")
plt.plot(x5, y5, label="Negative slope (m < 0)")

plt.title("Lines with Different Slopes")
plt.xlabel("X-axis")
plt.ylabel("Y-axis")
plt.grid(True)
plt.legend()
plt.show()

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Output:

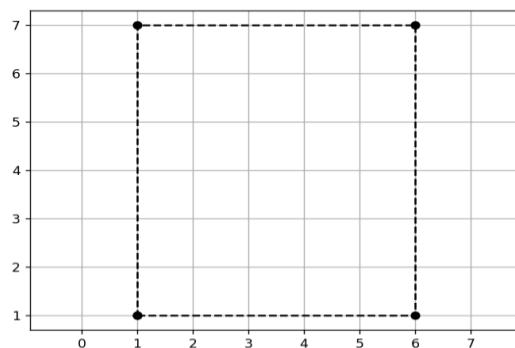


Qn3:Extend the DDA program to draw a rectangle given two opposite corners.

Code:

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#Extend the DDA program to draw rectangle given two opposite corner
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
x1=int(input("Enter the value of X1:"))
y1=int(input("Enter the value of Y1:"))
x2=int(input("Enter the value of X2:"))
y2=int(input("Enter the value of Y2:"))
xcords=[x1,x2,x2,x1,x1]
ycords=[y1,y1,y2,y2,y1]
plt.plot(xcords,ycords,marker="o",linestyle="--",color="black")
plt.grid(True)
plt.axis('equal')
plt.show()
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Output:



Qn4: Use DDA to draw the axes of a simple coordinate system(X and Y axes)

Code:

```

import matplotlib.pyplot as plt

def dda(x1, y1, x2, y2):
    x = []
    y = []

    dx = x2 - x1
    dy = y2 - y1

    steps = int(max(abs(dx), abs(dy)))

    x_inc = dx / steps
    y_inc = dy / steps

    x_curr = x1
    y_curr = y1

    for _ in range(steps + 1):
        x.append(x_curr)
        y.append(y_curr)
        x_curr += x_inc
        y_curr += y_inc

    return x, y

# X-axis from (-10,0) to (10,0)
x_axis_x, x_axis_y = dda(-10, 0, 10, 0)

# Y-axis from (0,-10) to (0,10)
y_axis_x, y_axis_y = dda(0, -10, 0, 10)

plt.plot(x_axis_x, x_axis_y, label="X-axis")
plt.plot(y_axis_x, y_axis_y, label="Y-axis")

plt.title("Coordinate Axes using DDA Algorithm")
plt.xlabel("X")
plt.ylabel("Y")

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plt.axhline(0, color='black', linewidth=0.5)
plt.axvline(0, color='black', linewidth=0.5)
plt.grid(True)
plt.legend()
plt.gca().set_aspect('equal', adjustable='box')

plt.show()

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Output:)

