Computer Graphics (L05) EG678EX

2-D Algorithms

Circle-Generating Algorithms (Basic

Foundations)

Circle Equation:

$$(x-x_c)^2 + (y-y_c)^2 = r^2$$

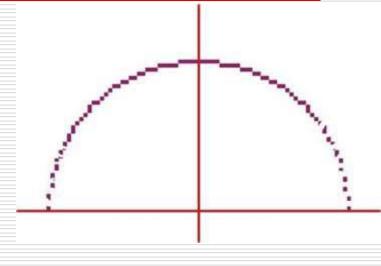
Points along circumference could be calculated by stepping along x-axis:

$$y = y_c \pm \sqrt{r^2 - (x_c - x)^2}$$

□ Problem ????

Problem (in above method)

- Computational complexity
- □ Spacing:
 - Non-uniform spacing of plotted pixels



Adjustments (To fix problems)

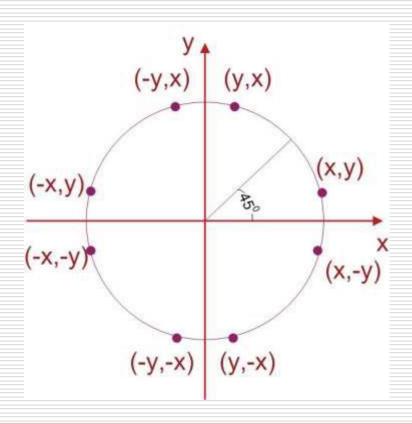
- Spacing problem (2 ways):
 - Interchange the role of x and y whenever the absolute value of the slope of the circle tangent > 1
 - Use polar co-ordinate:

$$x = x_c + r \cos \theta$$

$$y = y_c + r \sin \theta$$

- Equally spaced points are plotted along the circumference with fixed angular step size.
- step size chosen for θ depends on the application and display device.
 - For more continuous boundary on a raster display, set step size at 1/r; i.e pixel positions are approximately 1 unit apart.
- Computation Problem:
 - Use symmetry of circle; i.e calculate for one octant and use symmetry for others.

Circle Symmetry



Bresenham's Algorithm Could Be Adapted ??

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ How?
 - Setting decision parameter for finding the closest pixel to the circumference
- And what to do For Non-linear equation of circle?
 - Comparison of squares of the pixel separation distance avoids square root calculations