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Title of Paper : **Computer Graphics**

Course Number : **CSC352**

Time Allowed : **Three (3) Hours**

Instructions : Answer **ALL** questions in Section A
Answer **only THREE** questions from Section B
All questions are worth **20** marks

Special requirement : **None**

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SECTION A

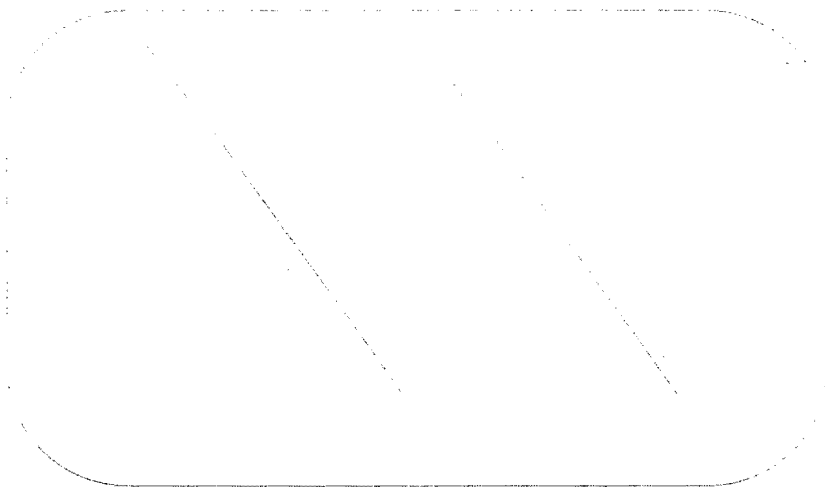
Answer all questions from this section.

Question 1.

- (a) State what API stands for, and define it. [6]
- (b) Why don't we see the colour black yet recognize? [3]
- (c) Why should we study user interfaces alongside computer graphics? [3]
- (d) Describe macho language and discuss why it is not encouraged in UI. [5]
- (e) Why was vector graphics discontinued? [3]

Question 2

- (a) How does computer graphics differ from image processing? [5]
- (b) Why was vector graphics not of widespread usage during its era? [6]
- (c) Draw the CRT input signals for the following output (on graph paper): [9]



SECTION B

Answer any three questions from this section.

Question 3

- (a) In what way(s) was vector graphics displays superior to printers? [4]
- (b) Sizes of CRTs are normally given by the length of their diagonal (the ratio of the width and height is standardized at 2:3). With a 14" tube and a 640 x 480 frame buffer, what are the horizontal and vertical resolutions? How could an aspect ratio of 1:1 be achieved on such a screen? [10]
- (c) How much memory is needed for a 520 x 380 frame buffer with depth 2? [6]

Question 4

- (a) Describe how a CRT works. [12]
- (b) Show that the Bresenham line drawing algorithm is purely integer arithmetic i.e., there are no fractions, no divisions nor multiplications in it. [8]

Question 5

- (a) Find the transformation matrix for rotation around an arbitrary point (x, y) over an arbitrary angle Φ . [6]
- (b) Compute the coordinates of the image of $(3, 2)$ after each of the following transformations:
 - rotation around the point $(4, 1)$ through an angle of 90° ;
 - rotation around the point $(3, 2)$ through an angle of 30° . [6]
- (c) Establish and briefly describe all the possible segment-segment relations. [8]

Question 6

- (a) Write a program to draw a chessboard to fill your entire VDU (include the design of your program (pseudocode)) [20]