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EXAMINATIONS PAPER**



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BACHELORS OF INFORMATION COMMUNICATION TECHNOLOGY  
END OF TERM EXAMINATION**

**DEPARTMENT: COMPUTING & INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY**  
**COURSE CODE: BSIT\_BBIT400**  
**CAMPUS: ROYSAMBU**  
**COURSE TITLE: COMPUTER GRAPHICS AND ANIMATION**  
**EXAM DATE: TUESDAY**  
**TIME: START HOUR – 8.00AM-10.00AM**

**INSTRUCTIONS**

- This exam carry a total of SIX Questions of [10 Marks Each]
- Section One (I) is compulsory.
- Answer any 3(Three) Questions from Section Two (II)
- Read all questions carefully before attempting.

**SECTION A**

**(Answer ALL questions in this section)**

**Question 1 (10 Marks)**

- a) Explain two advantages of using Graphical User Interfaces. (2 Marks)
- b) Distinguish between Emissive and non-emissive displays. (2 Marks)
- c) Explain `glClear(GL_COLOR_BUFFER_BIT)` in relation to computer graphics.(2 marks)
- d) Discuss the purpose of Parallel projection methods used in creating 3-D sceneries (2 Marks)
- e) Explain any two animation concepts. (2 Marks)

**SECTION B**

**((Answer any THREE (3) questions in this section))**

**Question Two (10 Marks)**

Consider two raster systems with the resolutions of 1280 x 720 and 2048 x 1536.

- i. Describe two ways of refreshing a display screen. (2 marks)
- ii. How many pixels could be accessed per second in each of these systems by a display controller with a refresh rate of 120Hz? (2 marks)
- iii) Film animators use a variety of methods for depicting and emphasizing motion sequences. Discuss three traditional animation techniques giving examples. (6 Marks)

**Question Three (10 Marks)**

**a)** Given a polygon with the vertices (0,0), (0,1), (1,0) and (1,1). Draw the shape obtained after transforming this unit square with the homogeneous matrix M given below. (5 Marks)

$$\mathbf{M} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \cos(90) & -\sin(90) & 0 \\ \sin(90) & \cos(90) & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

- b) Rasterize a line having end points (10,20) and (16,25) and plot the resultant pixels using Bresenham's algorithm. (5 Marks)

**Question Four (10 Marks)**

- a) Distinguish between the following terms
- i. Simulation and animation (2 marks)
  - ii. Window port and view port (2 marks)
- b) Given 3D geometric primitives explain how you would generate an image using the 3D rendering pipeline. (6 Marks)

**Question Five (10 marks)**

- a) Explain any two principles of animation. (4 Marks)
- b) Suppose you are given a scene to render through the graphics pipeline. Analyze Cartesian reference frames and procedure you would use to construct and display the scene. (6 marks)

**Question Six (10 marks)**

- a) John wants to acquire a graphics display device, explain five factors he needs to consider in the acquisition process. (5 Marks)
- b) Write a simple OpenGL program for rendering on a black background and red square. (5 marks)

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