

PROJECT #C: TRACING IMPLICIT CURVES ACROSS A QUADTREE

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This project aims at developing in students the sense of mastering computational geometry techniques together with numerical methods, being here these methods used for sampling implicit curves in 2D.

Project #C. Let us design the program to trace a regular implicit curve in a domain $D \subset \mathbb{R}^2$. This domain D is sometimes called bounding box and must be subdivided using a quadtree or any other axis-aligned subdivision scheme in order to sample the curve that lies in D . A number of functions have to be designed and implemented in C, including the following:

- (1) A function that describes a curve (for example, a straight line $y - x - 1 = 0$):

```
float f(float x,float y) { return y-x-1;}
```

- (2) A function that returns the discrete derivative (or forward finite differences) along x -direction:

```
float dX(float x, float y) return (f(x+h,y)-f(x,y))/h;
```

where h is an infinitesimal given, for example, by 10^{-7} .

- (3) A function that returns the discrete derivative along y -direction:

```
float dY(float x, float y) return (f(x,y+h)-f(x,y))/h;
```

- (4) A function that returns the x -value of a curve point in a line that is parallel to x -axis. It implements the Newton iterator in the x -direction:

```
float NewtonX (float x, float y)
```

The arguments x and y constitute the pair of the initial estimate or point. Besides, the argument y is constant and gives us a line parallel to x -axis. This function returns the final value of x . (This was explained in two consecutive classes, so have

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a look on your lecture notes.)

- (5) A function that returns the y -value of a curve point in a line that is parallel to y -axis. It implements the Newton iterator in the y -direction:

```
float NewtonY (float x, float y)
```

(This was explained in two consecutive classes, so have a look on your lecture notes.)

- (6) A function to trace implicit curves in the bounding box $D = [x_{min}, x_{max}] \times [y_{min}, y_{max}] \subset \mathbb{R}^2$:

```
void 2DImplicitCurve(float xmin, float xmax, float ymin, float ymax,
float width)
```

where `width` is the line width used to draw the curve.

The OpenGL main program to generate implicit curves on screen is then as follows:

```
int main (int argc, char * argv[])
{
  glutInit(&argc,argv);
  glutInitDisplayMode(GLUT_RGB | GLUT_DOUBLE);
  glutInitWindowSize(Xwidth,Yheight);
  glutCreateWindow("Tracing Implicit Curves in the Plane");
  glutDisplayFunc(2DImplicitCurve);
  glutKeyboardFunc(myKeyboard);
  glutMainLoop();
  return 0;
}
```
