THE COMPUTER AND THE IMAGE

THREE DIMENSIONAL EXHIBITS

TITLE	DESCRIPTION	SOURCE/STATUS
Jacquard looms	19th century Jacquard sales model illustrating punched card principle-	in museum collection
Rand Tablet	early graphical interface (not working)	requested from Willis Ware, Rand
Project Sketchpad	simulation of TX-2 running Ivan Sutherland's Sketchpad program	project for summer intern may require prompting screen, hardware not identified
early pointing devices	mice, track balls, light pens, joysticks, tablets, digitisers	Doug Ross, Doug Engelbart & others
MIT ESL 'Kludge'	crystal globe used to control cursor movement	John Ward, MIT has agreed to loan
Whirlwind Williams tube	transparent glass storage tube with grid visible - same principle as storage tube displays	to be donated by Bob Everett
ARDS display	static display of first commercially available storage tube display	ARDS located and offered by Gordon Pask, Architectural Association, London
first storage tube as used in storage oscilloscopes	Tektronix 564 5" tube	Tektronix confirmed

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raster technology opened up TV tube

interactive video disc

interactive file of Picasso works or American architecture

MIT Media Lab, Patrick Purcell to respond

other display technologies

liquid crystal, gas plasma

IBM, Kingston for plasma Sharp for LCD

large CAD-designed object

fighter aircraft wing designed by computer accompanied by computer design plots. Note access constraints.

Bob Everett of Mitre to respond

small CAD-designed part

gas turbine blade from GE approx 5"x2"x1"

GE approached via John Hsian and Bill Blundell. Object and video offered

circuit design before CAD

pencil & vellum, french curves and PDP8 module; Texas Instruments glass circuit layers for ASCthe limit of hand-drawing in CM collection

CAD in VLSI

masks, chips under microscope and large colour plot of chip layout: plot 30'x8' Apollo running Mentor Graphics software of VLSI layout

Mike Brophy at DEC Hudson facility or IBM Essex Junction, VT 512k RAM colour Versatec plot; Apollo DN300 promised; Mentor Graphics to respond

CAD program

Ontario Science Center interactive program to design a car; user selects door, front, back etc and program computes drag. 3' square approx

OS to check hardware requirements at Ont Sci Ctr July

computer-aided drafting for sculpture

plotter scribing sheet to be folded into sculpture; CRT shows options to select

offered by Ron Resch; to be assessed for viability as a working exhibit

CAD in architecture

visualisation of new building in Boston: Dewey Square development; fly around site, show subway, go into building, change perspective Computervision to respond software offered by Jung/Brannen Bruce Forbes

printer

working printer outputing scene from window; paper wound up near ceiling approx 4'x3'

Dataproducts printer offered, awaiting precise requirements; data to be input

imageprocessing

PDP-11 based MIPS system from USGS allowing visitors to manipulate Landsat and Voyager images. Also needs 30Mb of disc, tape drive and Grinnell colour display approx 5ft square

software available from USGS, Flagstaff, AZ; positive response from Grinnell; PDP11-23, disc and 1600bpi tape unit available from DEC; software modification required; Landsat TM and Voyager (Saturn) data supplied by NASA.

drawing instruments

set of drawing instruments, pantograph, rules

computer museum collection

plotter

pen plotter drawing Boston scene from window and other images related to adjacent displays approx:3'x2'x3'6"(h) HP 7585A requested; HP to respond; tape system and possible programming and demonstrator required

fractals

interactive display of fractal curves and surfaces to be devised with B Mandelbrot possibly based on IBM PC-XT awaiting confirmation from and Mandelbrot

interactive
simulation

flight simulator on IBM PC or other micro eg microsoft's program. to be decided

LOGO

interactive logo machine Papert or Atari?

pan and zoom

hardware allowing panning and zooming around large image. Possibly combined with above

image-processing demo.

requires hardware eg Lexidata hosted by VAX

raster scan

demonstration of how image is built up on raster type displays: slowed down sweep of beam and slowed down fading of phosphor. Simulated on a micro? Programming project

requires large screen

resolution

'Discernability': digitised image of visitor's face used to alter spatial, contrast and time resolution

Ed Tanenbaum; exhibit ordered

three-D imaging

allow real time 3d interaction either with varifocal vibrating mirror display or with vector system with perspective hardware

approach Trivision Dick Shorthill for mirror, Adage RDS 3000 donation agreed; software to be donated by Henry Fuchs and the Computing Dept at UNC but requires UNIX (preferably Berkeley) on VAX; Larry Sher, BB&N consulting. E&S PS 300 or colour system requested; awaiting response

zoetrope

cylindrical slitted wheel . requested from George with images inside. User turns handle to see movement. Could be a phenakisticope or other similar device. approx 3ft square

Eastman House, Rochester. Awaiting reply.

PDP 1

PDP 1 running spacewar on a demonstration basis. size:

computer museum collection- Shag Graetz to get program up and organise original joystick controls

spacewar

micro or VT125 or other long-persistance phosphor screen eg HP 3500?

program to be written under supervision of Shag Graetz by summer intern

video game

slowed-down altered video game showing processanimation and interaction either George Golson or Dave Nutting; requires some reprogramming and hardware awaiting meeting with Golson and response from Nutting

electromechanical arcade game opened up electromechanical pin-ball game

paint system

advanced paint system demonstrated by skilled operator to sysnthesise scene out of window and alter exisitng image. Approx 5ft square If not available, use Macpaint interactively on Apple Macintosh

requested from NYIT, Louis Schure; awaiting response

unallocated hardware

Tektronix scope; possibly use in Ontario CAD program

Symbolics computer

END OS 5.9.84