Computer Graphics From Pixels To Programmable Graphics Hardware Chapman Hallcrc Computer Graphics Geometric Modeling And Animation Series

A book for those interested in how modern graphics programs work and how they can generate realistic-looking objects. It emphasises the mathematics behind computer graphics, most of which is included in an appendix. The main topics covered are: scan conversion methods; selecting the best pixels for generating lines, circles and other objects; geometric transformations and projections; translations, rotations, moving in 3D, perspective projections, curves and surfaces; construction, wire-frames, rendering, normals; CRTs, antialiasing, animation, colour, perception, polygons, compression. With its numerous illustrative examples and exercises, the book is ideal for a two-semester course for advanced undergraduates or graduates, while also making a fine reference for professionals in the field.

EUROGRAPHICS workshops on Graphics hardware have now become an established forum for an exchange of information con cerning the latest developments in this field of growing importance. The first workshop took place during EG'86 in Lisbon. All parti cipants in this event considered it a very rewarding workshop to be repeated at future EG conferences. This view was reinforced at the EG'87 Hardware Workshop in Amsterdam which firmly esta blished the need for and a high interest in such a colloquium of technical discussion in this specialist area within the annual EG conference. The third EG Hardware Workshop took place in Nice in 1988 and this volume is a record of the fourth workshop at EG'89 in Hamburg. The material in this book contains papers representing a com prehensive record of the contributions to the 1989 workshop. The first part considers Algorithms and Architectures of graphics systems. These papers discuss the broader issues of system design, without necessarily raising issues concerning the details of the implementation. The second part on Systems describes hardware solutions and realisations of machines dedicated to graphics processing. Many of these contributions make important references to algorithmic and architectural issues as well, but there is now a greater emphasis on realisation. Indeed many VLSI designs are described.

The original graphics guru, Jim Blinn, returns with a second compilation of the best columns from "Jim Blinn's Corner", his regular column in "IEEE Computer Graphics and Applications". He has developed many widely used graphics techniques, including bump mapping, environment mapping, and blobby modeling. He shares his most useful graphics tips and tricks, many of which have never before been addressed.

The book presents comprehensive coverage of fundamental computer graphics concepts in a simple, lucid, and systematic way. It uses C programming language to implement various algorithms explained in the book. It also introduces the popular OpenGL programming language with illustrative examples of the multiple primitive functions in OpenGL. The book teaches you a wide range of exciting topics such as graphics devices, scan conversion, polygons, segments, 2D and 3D transformations, windowing and clipping, 3D object representation, illumination models and shading algorithms, colour models, visible surface detection algorithms, curves, grammar-based models, turtle graphics, ray tracing, and fractals. The book also explains concepts in animation.

This book constitutes the refereed proceedings of the Third International Conference on Computer Vision/Computer Graphics collaboration techniques involving image analysis/synthesis approaches MIRAGE 2007, held in Rocquencourt, France, in March 2007. The 55 revised full cover foundational, methodological, and application issues.

Teach Your Students How to Create a Graphics Application Introduction to Computer Graphics: A Practical Learning Approach guides students in developing their own interactive graphics application. The authors show step by step how to implement computer graphics

concepts and theory using the EnvyMyCar (NVMC) framework as a consistent example throughout the text. They use the WebGL graphics API to develop NVMC, a simple, interactive car racing game. Each chapter focuses on a particular computer graphics aspect, such as 3D modeling and lighting. The authors help students understand how to handle 3D geometric transformations, texturing, complex lighting effects, and more. This practical approach leads students to draw the elements and effects needed to ultimately create a visually pleasing car racing game. The code is available at www.envymycarbook.com

In this third compendium of articles selected from his award-winning column, Blinn addresses topics in mathematical notation and cubic curves, among other topics, and shares the tricks he has uncovered through years of experimentation. Twenty perplexing topics are addressed, with solutions thoroughly illustrated in an award-winning style.

COMPREHENSIVE COVERAGE OF SHADERS AND THE PROGRAMMABLE PIPELINE From geometric primitives to animation to 3D modeling to lighting, shading and texturing, Computer Graphics Through OpenGL®: From Theory to Experiments is a comprehensive introduction to computer graphics which uses an active learning style to teach key concepts. Equally emphasizing theory and practice, the book provides an understanding not only of the principles of 3D computer graphics, but also the use of the OpenGL® Application Programming Interface (API) to code 3D scenes and animation, including games and movies. The undergraduate core of the book takes the student from zero knowledge of computer graphics to a mastery of the fundamental concepts with the ability to code applications using fourth-generation OpenGL®. The remaining chapters explore more advanced topics, including the structure of curves and surfaces, applications of projective spaces and transformations and the implementation of graphics pipelines. This book can be used for introductory undergraduate computer graphics courses over one to two semesters. The careful exposition style attempting to explain each concept in the simplest terms possible should appeal to the self-study student as well. Features • Covers the foundations of 3D computer graphics, including animation, visual techniques and 3D modeling • Comprehensive coverage of OpenGL® 4.x, including the GLSL and vertex, fragment, tessellation and geometry shaders • Includes 180 programs with 270 experiments based on them • Contains 750 exercises, 110 worked examples, and 700 four-color illustrations • Requires no previous knowledge of computer graphics • Balances theory with programming practice using a hands-on interactive approach to explain the underlying concepts

This text not only covers all topics required for a fundamental course in computer graphics but also emphasizes a programming-oriented approach to computer graphics. The book helps the students in understanding the basic principles for design of graphics and in developing skills in both two- and three-dimensional computer graphics systems. Written in an accessible style, the presentation of the text is methodical, systematic and gently paced, covering a range of essential and conceivable aspects of computer graphics, which will give students a solid background to generate applications for their future work. The book, divided into 11 chapters, begins with a general introduction to the subject and ends with

explaining some of the exciting graphics techniques such as animation, morphing, digital image processing, fractals and ray tracing. Along the way, all the concepts up to two-dimensional graphics are explained through programs developed in C. This book is intended to be a course text for the B.Tech/M.Tech students of Computer Science and Engineering, the B.Tech students of Information Technology and the M.Sc. students pursuing courses in Computer Science, Information Science and Information Technology, as well as the students of BCA and MCA courses. Key Features : Fundamentals are discussed in detail to help the students understand all the needed theory and the principles of computer graphics. Extensive use of figures to convey even the simplest concepts. Chapter-end exercises include conceptual questions and programming problems.

Computer Graphics from Scratch demystifies the algorithms used in modern graphics software and guides beginners through building photorealistic 3D renders. Computer graphics programming books are often math-heavy and intimidating for newcomers. Not this one. Computer Graphics from Scratch takes a simpler approach by keeping the math to a minimum and focusing on only one aspect of computer graphics, 3D rendering. You'll build two complete, fully functional renderers: a raytracer, which simulates rays of light as they bounce off objects, and a rasterizer, which converts 3D models into 2D pixels. As you progress you'll learn how to create realistic reflections and shadows, and how to render a scene from any point of view. Pseudocode examples throughout make it easy to write your renderers in any language, and links to live JavaScript demos of each algorithm invite you to explore further on your own. Learn how to: • Use perspective projection to draw 3D objects on a 2D plane • Simulate the way rays of light interact with surfaces • Add mirror-like reflections and cast shadows to objects • Render a scene from any camera position using clipping planes • Use flat, Gouraud, and Phong shading to mimic real surface lighting • Paint texture details onto basic shapes to create realistic-looking objects Whether you're an aspiring graphics engineer or a novice programmer curious about how graphics algorithms work, Gabriel Gambetta's simple, clear explanations will quickly put computer graphics concepts and rendering techniques within your reach. All you need is basic coding knowledge and high school math. Computer Graphics from Scratch will cover the rest.

This excellent introduction to the basic concepts and mechanisms of computer graphics provides an overview of the many uses of computer graphics, including advanced graphics and image processing applications for science and engineering.

Complete Coverage of the Current Practice of Computer Graphics Computer Graphics: From Pixels to Programmable Graphics Hardware explores all major areas of modern computer graphics, starting from basic mathematics and algorithms and concluding with OpenGL and real-time graphics. It gives students a firm foundation in today's high-performance graphics. Up-to-Date Techniques,

Algorithms, and API The book includes mathematical background on vectors and matrices as well as quaternions, splines, curves, and surfaces. It presents geometrical algorithms in 2D and 3D for spatial data structures using large data sets. Although the book is mainly based on OpenGL 3.3, it also covers tessellation in OpenGL 4.0, contains an overview of OpenGL ES 2.0, and discusses the new WebGL, which allows students to use OpenGL with shaders directly in their browser. In addition, the authors describe a variety of special effects, including procedural modeling and texturing, fractals, and non-photorealistic rendering. They also explain the fundamentals of the dominant language (OpenCL) and platform (CUDA) of GPGPUs. Web Resource On the book's CRC Press web page, students can download many ready-to-use examples of C++ code demonstrating various effects. C++ wrappers for basic OpenGL entities, such as textures and programs, are also provided. In-Depth Guidance on a Programmable Graphics Pipeline Requiring only basic knowledge of analytic geometry, linear algebra, and C++, this text guides students through the OpenGL pipeline. Using one consistent example, it leads them step by step from simple rendering to animation to lighting and bumpmapping.

Intended as a textbook on graphics at undergraduate and postgraduate level, the primary objective of the book is to seamlessly integrate the theory of Computer Graphics with its implementation. The theory and implementation aspects are designed concisely to suit a semester-long course. Students of BE/BTech level of Computer Science, Information Technology and related disciplines will not only learn the basic theoretical concepts on Graphics, but also learn the modifications necessary in order to implement them in the discrete space of the computer screen. Practising engineers will find this book helpful as the C program implementations available in this book could be used as kernel to build a graphics system. This book is also suitable for the students of M.Sc. (Computer Science) and Computer Applications (BCA/MCA). To suit the present day need, the C implementations are done for Windows operating system exposing students to important concepts of message-driven programming. For wider acceptability, Dev C++ (an open source integrated windows program development environment) versions of the implementations of graphics programs are also included in the companion CD-ROM. This book introduces the students to Windows programming and explains the building blocks for the implementation of computer graphics algorithms. It advances on to elaborate the two-dimensional geometric transformations and the design and implementation of the algorithms of line drawing, circle drawing, drawing curves, filling and clipping. In addition, this well-written text describes three-dimensional graphics and hidden surface removal algorithms and their implementations. Finally, the book discusses illumination and shading along with the Phong illumination model. Key Features : Includes fundamental theoretical concepts of computer graphics. Contains C implementations of all basic computer graphics algorithms. Teaches Windows programming and how graphics algorithms can be tailor-made for

implementations in message-driven architecture. Offers chapter-end exercises to help students test their understanding. Gives a summary at the end of each chapter to help students overview the key points of the text. Includes a companion CD containing C programs to demonstrate the implementation of graphics algorithms.

New Trends in Computer Graphics contains a selection of research papers submitted to Computer Graphics International '88 (COl '88). COl '88 is the Official Annual Conference of the Computer Graphics Society. Since 1982, this conference ha~ been held in Tokyo. This year, it is taking place in Geneva, Switzerland. In 1989, it will be held in Leeds, U. K. , in 1990 in Singapore, in 1991 in U. S. A. and in 1992 in Montreal, Canada. Over 100 papers were submitted to CGI '88 and 61 papers were selected by the International Program Committee. Papers have been grouped into 6 chapters. The flrst chapter is dedicated to Computer Animation because it deals with all topics presented in the other chapters. Several animation systems are described as well as speciflc subjects like 3D character animation, quaternions and splines. The second chapter is dedicated to papers on Image Synthesis, il1 particular new shading models and new algorithms for ray tracing are presented. Chapter 3 presents several algorithms for geometric modeling and new techniques for the creation and manipulation of curves, surfaces and solids and their applications to CAD. In Chapter 4, an important topic is presented: the specification of graphics systems and images using l~nguages and user-interfaces. The last two chapters are devoted to applications in sciences, medicine, engineering, art and business.

This book constitutes the refereed proceedings of the 36th Computer Graphics International Conference, CGI 2019, held in Calgary, AB, Canada, in June 2019. The 30 revised full papers presented together with 28 short papers were carefully reviewed and selected from 231 submissions. The papers address topics such as: 3D reconstruction and rendering, virtual reality and augmented reality, computer animation, geometric modelling, geometric computing, shape and surface modelling, visual analytics, image processing, pattern recognition, motion planning, gait and activity biometric recognition, machine learning for graphics and applications in security, smart electronics, autonomous navigation systems, robotics, geographical information systems, and medicine and art.

Helps readers to develop their own professional quality computer graphics. Hands-on examples developed in OpenGL illustrate key concepts.

This book is an essential tool for second-year undergraduate students and above, providing clear and concise explanations of the basic concepts of computer graphics, and enabling the reader to immediately implement these concepts in Java 2D and/or 3D with only elementary knowledge of the programming language. Features: provides an ideal, self-contained introduction to computer graphics, with theory and practice presented in integrated combination; presents a practical guide to basic computer graphics programming using Java 2D and 3D; includes new and expanded content on the integration of text in 3D, particle systems, billboard behaviours, dynamic surfaces, the concept of level of detail, and the use of functions of two variables for surface

modelling; contains many pedagogical tools, including numerous easy-to-understand example programs and end-of-chapter exercises; supplies useful supplementary material, including additional exercises, solutions, and program examples, at an associated website.

With BGI (Borland Graphics Interface) library in Code::Blocks IDE loaded on Windows 7 operating system

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This well-written textbook discusses the concepts, principles and applications of Computer Graphics in a simple, precise and systematic manner. It explains how to manipulate visual and geometric information by using the computational techniques. It also incorporates several experiments to be performed in computer graphics and multimedia labs.

This book constitutes the refereed proceedings of the 37th Computer Graphics International Conference, CGI 2020, held in Geneva, Switzerland, in October 2020. The conference was held virtually. The 43 full papers presented together with 3 short papers were carefully reviewed and selected from 189 submissions. The papers address topics such as: virtual reality; rendering and textures; augmented and mixed reality; video processing; image processing; fluid simulation and control; meshes and topology; visual simulation and aesthetics; human computer interaction; computer animation; geometric computing; robotics and vision; scientific visualization; and machine learning for graphics.

Computer graphics is a vast field that is becoming larger every day. It is impossible to cover every topic of interest, even within a specialization such as CG rendering. For many years, Noriko Kurachi has reported on the latest developments for Japanese readers in her monthly column for CG World. Being something of a pioneer herself, she selected topics that represented original and promising new directions for research. Many of these novel ideas are the topics covered in The Magic of Computer Graphics. Starting from the basic behavior of light, the first section of the book introduces the most useful techniques for global and local illumination using geometric descriptions of an environment. The second section goes on to describe image-based techniques that rely on captured data to do their magic. In the final section, the author looks at the synthesis of these two complementary approaches and what they mean for the future of computer graphics.

The book presents comprehensive coverage of Computer Graphics and Multimedia concepts in a simple, lucid and systematic way. It uses C programming language to implement various algorithms explained in the book. The book is divided into two parts. The first part focuses on a wide range of exciting topics such as illumination and colour models, shading algorithms, line, curves, circle and ellipse drawing algorithms, polygon filling, 2D and 3D transformations, windowing and clipping, 3D object representation, 3D viewing, viewing pipeline, and visible surface detection algorithms. The second part focuses on multimedia basics, multimedia applications, multimedia system architecture, evolving technologies for multimedia, defining objects for multimedia

systems, multimedia data interface standards, multimedia databases, compression and decompression, data and file format standards, multimedia I/O technologies, digital voice and audio, video image and animation, full-motion video and storage and retrieval technologies. It also describes multimedia authoring and user interface, Hypermedia messaging, mobile messaging, integrated multimedia message standards, integrated document management and distributed multimedia systems. Case Study : Blender graphics - Blender fundamentals, drawing basic shapes, modelling, shading and textures.

Today one of the hardest parts of computer aided design or analysis is first modeling the design, then recording and verifying it. For example, a typical vehicle such as a tank, automobile, ship or aircraft might be composed of tens of thousands of individual parts. Many of these parts are composed of cylinders, flats, and simple conic curves and surfaces such as are amenable to modeling using a constructive solid geometry (CSG) approach. However, especially with the increasing use of composite materials, many parts are designed using sculp tured surfaces. A marriage of these two techniques in now critical to continued development of computer aided design and analysis. Further, the graphical user interfaces used in most modeling systems are at best barely adequate to the required task. Critical work on these interfaces is required to continue pushing back the frontiers. Similarly, once the design is modeled, how are the varied and diverse pieces stored, retrieved, and modified? How are physical interferences prevented or eliminated? Although considerable progress has been made, there are still more questions and frustrations than answers. One of the fundamental problems of the 1990s is and will continue to be modeling. The second problem is interpretation. With the ever increasing computational power available, our ability to generate data far exceeds our ability to interpret, understand, and utilize that data.

This practical and informative book highlights the relationship between pictures and linguistic representations of information. The authors define a new classification for pictures that focuses on the tasks users carry out with the help of images on computer screens, and present a model for analyzing and influencing the flow of information. For specialists in computer science, the book bridges the gap between computer graphics and human-computer interaction, while for general readers, it offers a wealth of insights and practical advice on how to use pictures as a medium of communication.

This textbook, first published in 2003, emphasises the fundamentals and the mathematics underlying computer graphics. The minimal prerequisites, a basic knowledge of calculus and vectors plus some programming experience in C or C++, make the book suitable for self study or for use as an advanced undergraduate or introductory graduate text. The author gives a thorough treatment of transformations and viewing, lighting and shading models, interpolation and averaging, Bézier curves and B-splines, ray tracing and radiosity, and intersection testing with rays. Additional topics, covered in less

depth, include texture mapping and colour theory. The book covers some aspects of animation, including quaternions, orientation, and inverse kinematics, and includes source code for a Ray Tracing software package. The book is intended for use along with any OpenGL programming book, but the crucial features of OpenGL are briefly covered to help readers get up to speed. Accompanying software is available freely from the book's web site.

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This text, by an award-winning [Author];, was designed to accompany his first-year seminar in the mathematics of computer graphics. Readers learn the mathematics behind the computational aspects of space, shape, transformation, color, rendering, animation, and modeling. The software required is freely available on the Internet for Mac, Windows, and Linux. The text answers questions such as these: How do artists build up realistic shapes from geometric primitives? What computations is my computer doing when it generates a realistic image of my 3D scene? What mathematical tools can I use to animate an object through space? Why do movies always look more realistic than video games? Containing the mathematics and computing needed for making their own 3D computer-generated images and animations, the text, and the course it supports, culminates in a project in which students create a short animated movie using free software. Algebra and trigonometry are prerequisites; calculus is not, though it helps. Programming is not required. Includes optional advanced exercises for students with strong backgrounds in math or computer science.

Instructors interested in exposing their liberal arts students to the beautiful mathematics behind computer graphics will find a rich resource in this text.
Dr AIvy Ray Smith Executive Vice President, Pixar The pOlyglot language of computer animation has arisen piecemeal as a collection of terms borrowed from geometry, film, video, painting, conventional animation, computer graphiCS, computer science, and publishing - in fact, from every older art or science which has anything to do with pictures and picture making. Robi Roncarelli, who has already demonstrated his foresight by formally identifying a nascent industry and addressing his Computer Animation Newsletter to it, here again makes a useful contribution to it by codifying its jargon. My pleasure in reading his dictionary comes additionally from the many historical notes sprinkled throughout and from surprise entries such as the one referring to Zimbabwe. Just as Samuel Johnson's dictionary of the English language was a major force in stabilizing the spelling of English, perhaps this one will serve a similar purpose for computer animation. Two of my pets are "color" for "colour" and "modeling" "modelling", under the rule that the shorter accepted spelling is always preferable. [Robi, are you reading this?] [Yes, AIvy!] Now I commend this book to you, whether you be a newcomer or an oldtimer.
From Pixels to Animation: An Introduction to Graphics Programming deals with the C programming language, particularly for the Borland C and Microsoft C languages. The book reviews the basics of graphics programming, including graphics hardware, graphs, charts, changing colors, 3D graphics, high level functions provided by Borland and Microsoft C. The text also explains low-level graphics, getting around the limitations of standard, graphics libraries, SVGA programming, and creating graphics functions. Advanced topics include linear transformations, ray tracing, and fractals. The book explains in detail the aspect ratio of pixels (length of the pixel dot divided by its width), pixel colors, line styles, and the functions to create the graphic. The text also describes the presentation of a three-dimensional object by using perspective, shading, and texturing. Between the operating system, which carries out the instruction of the program, and the hardware, which displays the output of the program, is the Basic Input/Output Services (BIOS). The BIOS is a set of routine instruction inside the different parts or hardware devices in the computer. The book explains programing animation effects by utilizing routines provided by Microsoft or Borland. The text also notes that a programmer can create good animation effects by directly addressing the graphics adapter, bypassing the BIOS or the high-level routines created by Microsoft or Borland. The book is suitable for beginning programmers, computer science, operators, animators, and artists involved with computer aided designs.
A guide to the concepts and applications of computer graphics covers such topics as interaction techniques, dialogue design, and user interface software.
Computer Graphics & Graphics Applications
This latest eBook gives you the two essential topics that you must know first: “The Basics of Computer Graphics and An Introduction to Graphic Design”. THIS ESSENTIAL GUIDE TO DESIGN WILL TEACH YOU: • The History and Introduction of Computer Graphics • The Uses of Graphics • To Understand the Raster Graphics (Pixels, Image Size, Resolution, Common Raster File Formats, Advantages and Disadvantages of Raster Graphics) • To Understand the Vector Graphics (Common Vector File Format, Advantages and Disadvantages of Vector Graphics) • To Learn the

Types of Graphics Software • To know what is Graphic Design • The Elements of Design • Understand the Color Wheel • The Principles of Design • Understand what is Graphic Design Brief and Learn the important factors when creating your own design brief • To know the Essential Skills to be a Graphic Designer • To know what a Graphic Designer Essential Tools And with the ADOBE PHOTOSHOP BEGINNERS GUIDE we covered the following: *Workspace Overview *Opening Files in Photoshop *The Tools Panel *Options Bar *History Panel *Principles of Layers Panel *Color Adjustments / Adjustment Layers *Typography, Shape, Smart Objects in Photoshop *Selection Tools *Paths and Pen Tools *Path Selection Tools and Move Tool *Brush Tool and Eraser Tool *Layer Mask *Transform Tools *Color Mode and Blending Mode *Filters and Layer Styles *Photoshop List of Shortcut Keys *Tips on having same Image in two Windows *Tips on how to create a Custom Shape *Tips on how to create an Animated GIF *Tips on Fixing Red-Eye *Tips on Removing Dust from a Scanned Image *Tips on Using Actions in Photoshop

A comprehensive exploration of the mathematics behind the modeling and rendering of computer graphics scenes Mathematical Structures for Computer Graphics presents an accessible and intuitive approach to the mathematical ideas and techniques necessary for two- and three-dimensional computer graphics. Focusing on the significant mathematical results, the book establishes key algorithms used to build complex graphics scenes. Written for readers with various levels of mathematical background, the book develops a solid foundation for graphics techniques and fills in relevant graphics details often overlooked in the literature. Rather than use a rigid theorem/proof approach, the book provides a flexible discussion that moves from vector geometry through transformations, curve modeling, visibility, and lighting models. Mathematical Structures for Computer Graphics also includes: Numerous examples of two- and three-dimensional techniques along with numerical calculations Plenty of mathematical and programming exercises in each chapter, which are designed particularly for graphics tasks Additional details at the end of each chapter covering historical notes, further calculations, and connected concepts for readers who wish to delve deeper Unique coverage of topics such as calculations with homogeneous coordinates, computational geometry for polygons, use of barycentric coordinates, various descriptions for curves, and L-system techniques for recursive images Mathematical Structures for Computer Graphics is an excellent textbook for undergraduate courses in computer science, mathematics, and engineering, as well as an ideal reference for practicing engineers, researchers, and professionals in computer graphics fields. The book is also useful for those readers who wish to understand algorithms for producing their own interesting computer images.

The pixel as the organizing principle of all pictures, from cave paintings to Toy Story. The Great Digital Convergence of all media types into one universal digital medium occurred, with little fanfare, at the recent turn of the millennium. The bit became the universal medium, and the pixel--a particular packaging of bits--conquered the world. Henceforward, nearly every picture in the world would be composed of pixels--cell phone pictures, app interfaces, Mars Rover transmissions, book illustrations, videogames. In A Biography of the Pixel, Pixar cofounder Alvy Ray Smith argues that the pixel is the organizing principle of most modern media, and he presents a few simple but profound ideas that unify the dazzling varieties of digital image making.

Smith's story of the pixel's development begins with Fourier waves, proceeds through Turing machines, and ends with the first digital movies from Pixar, DreamWorks, and Blue Sky. Today, almost all the pictures we encounter are digital--mediated by the pixel and irretrievably separated from their media; museums and kindergartens are two of the last outposts of the analog. Smith explains, engagingly and accessibly, how pictures composed of invisible stuff become visible--that is, how digital pixels convert to analog display elements. Taking the special case of digital movies to represent all of Digital Light (his term for pictures constructed of pixels), and drawing on his decades of work in the field, Smith approaches his subject from multiple angles--art, technology, entertainment, business, and history. A Biography of the Pixel is essential reading for anyone who has watched a video on a cell phone, played a videogame, or seen a movie.