# Graphics: Legacy Library

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The viewport graphics library is a relatively simple toolbox of graphics commands. The library is not very powerful; it is intended as a simplified alternative to racket/gui's full graphical toolbox.

The graphics library originated as SIXlib, a library of X Windows commands available within Chez Scheme at Rice University. The functionality of that library has been reproduced (with backward compatibility) in this version.

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#### 1 Basic Commands

```
(open-graphics) \rightarrow void?
```

Initializes the library's graphics routines. It must be called before any other graphics operations

```
(close-graphics) → void?
```

Closes all of the windows. Until open-graphics is called again, no graphics routines will work.

```
(graphics-open?) → boolean?
```

Determines if the graphics have been opened (or not).

```
(open-viewport name horiz vert) → viewport?
  name : string?
  horiz : exact-nonnegative-integer?
  vert : exact-nonnegative-integer?
(open-viewport name dimensions) → viewport?
  name : string?
  dimensions : posn?
```

Creates a new window called name. The window is horiz pixels wide and vert pixels high. For backward compatibility, a single posn value can be submitted in the place of horiz and vert. The result is a viewport descriptor.

```
(open-pixmap name horiz vert) → viewport?
  name : string?
  horiz : exact-nonnegative-integer?
  vert : exact-nonnegative-integer?
(open-pixmap name dimensions) → viewport?
  name : string?
  dimensions : posn?
```

Like open-viewport, but the resulting viewport is not displayed on the screen. Offscreen pixmaps are useful for executing a sequence of drawing commands and displaying them all at once with copy-viewport.

Offscreen pixmaps are also useful in conjunction with viewport->snip (see below). This allows functions to compute with graphical objects and view the graphics when results are returned to the interactions window.

```
(close-viewport viewport) → void?
  viewport : viewport?
```

Removes the viewport from the screen and makes subsequent operations dealing with the viewport illegal.

```
(viewport? v) \rightarrow boolean? v : any/c
```

Returns #t if v is a viewport (i.e., a destination for drawing), #f otherwise.

## 2 Position Operations

A position is a pixel location within a viewport. The upper-left corner is pixel (0, 0), and positions increase to the right and down.

```
(struct posn (x y)
    #:extra-constructor-name make-posn)
x : real?
y : real?
```

Represents a positions.

```
((get-pixel viewport) p) → (one-of/c 0 1)
  viewport : viewport?
  p : posn?
```

Returns the color of the pixel at position p in viewport; 0 denotes white and 1 denotes not white

```
((get-color-pixel viewport) p) → rgb?
  viewport : viewport?
  p : posn?
```

Returns an rgb value for color of the pixel at position p in viewport.

Returns the color that will actually be used if *color* is used to draw.

## 3 Color Operations

A color can be represented in three ways: as a color index (an integer in 0 to 299, inclusive), as a color name string, or as a rgb value. All drawing functions which take a color argument accept colors in any form. An rgb value is assigned to an index with change-color.

```
(struct rgb (red green blue)
   #:extra-constructor-name make-rgb)
red : (real-in 0 1)
green : (real-in 0 1)
blue : (real-in 0 1)
```

Takes three values in the range 0 (dark) to 1 (bright) and returns an rgb (a color).

```
(change-color index rgb) → void?
  index : (integer-in 0 299)
  rgb : rgb?
```

Changes the color at *index* in the color table to the color specified in *rgb*. Only the first twenty-one indices are initialized; a color index should not be used until it has been initialized.

```
(default-display-is-color?) → boolean?
```

Returns #t if the default display screen for viewports is in color or #f otherwise.

## 4 Draw, Clear, and Flip Operations

The following are the basic graphics operations for drawing to a viewport. Each function takes a viewport as its argument and returns a function operating within that viewport. Further arguments, if any, are curried. For example, (draw-line viewport) returns a function, that can then be applied to the proper arguments to draw a line in the viewport corresponding to viewport descriptor viewport.

In general, draw- functions make pixels black or colored, clear- functions make them white, and flip- commands *invert* pixels (which makes black white, white black, and is otherwise ill-defined).

#### 4.1 Viewports

Colors the entire contents of viewport with color.

```
((clear-viewport viewport)) → void?
viewport : viewport?
```

Whitens the entire contents of viewport.

```
((flip-viewport viewport)) → void?
viewport : viewport?
```

Inverts the entire contents of viewport.

```
(copy-viewport source dest) → void?
  source : viewport?
  dest : viewport?
```

Copies the content of source into dest.

#### 4.2 Pixels

```
((draw-pixel viewport) p [color]) \rightarrow void?
```

Colors the pixel in *viewport* at p.

```
((clear-pixel viewport) p) → void?
  viewport : viewport?
  p : posn?
```

Whitens the pixel in *viewport* at p.

```
((flip-pixel viewport) p) → void?
  viewport : viewport?
  p : posn?
```

Inverts the pixel in *viewport* at p.

#### 4.3 Lines

Draws a line in *viewport* connecting positions *p1* and *p2*.

```
((clear-line viewport) p1 p2) → void?
  viewport : viewport?
  p1 : posn?
  p2 : posn?
```

Whitens a line in viewport connecting positions p1 and p2.

```
((flip-line viewport) p1 p2) → void?
  viewport : viewport?
  p1 : posn?
  p2 : posn?
```

Inverts a line in *viewport* connecting positions *p1* and *p2*.

#### 4.4 Rectangles

Draws a rectangle border in the *viewport* with the top-left of the rectangle at the position p and with sides *width* across and *height* tall.

```
((clear-rectangle viewport) p width height) → void?
  viewport : viewport?
  p : posn?
  width : (and/c real? (not/c negative?))
  height : (and/c real? (not/c negative?))
```

Whitens a rectangle border in the *viewport*, analogous to draw-rectangle.

```
((flip-rectangle viewport) p width height) → void?
  viewport : viewport?
  p : posn?
  width : (and/c real? (not/c negative?))
  height : (and/c real? (not/c negative?))
```

Inverts a rectangle border in the *viewport*, analogous to draw-rectangle.

Draws a solid rectangle in the *viewport* with the top-left of the rectangle at the position *p* and with sides *width* across and *height* tall.

Whitens a rectangle border in the *viewport*, analogous to draw-solid-rectangle.

Inverts a rectangle border in the *viewport*, analogous to draw-solid-rectangle.

#### 4.5 Ellipses

Draws a ellipse border in the viewport. The ellipse is inscribed with a rectangle whose top-left is at position p and with sides width across and height tall.

```
((clear-ellipse viewport) p width height) → void?
  viewport : viewport?
  p : posn?
  width : (and/c real? (not/c negative?))
  height : (and/c real? (not/c negative?))
```

Whitens a ellipse border in the viewport, analogous to draw-ellipse.

```
((flip-ellipse viewport) p width height) → void?
  viewport : viewport?
  p : posn?
  width : (and/c real? (not/c negative?))
  height : (and/c real? (not/c negative?))
```

Inverts a ellipse border in the *viewport*, analogous to draw-ellipse.

Draws a solid ellipse in the *viewport*. The ellipse is inscribed with a rectangle whose top-left is at position *p* and with sides *width* across and *height* tall.

Whitens a ellipse border in the *viewport*, analogous to draw-solid-ellipse.

Inverts a ellipse border in the *viewport*, analogous to draw-solid-ellipse.

#### 4.6 Polygons

Draws a polygon border in *viewport* using *points* for the polygon vertices and *offset* as an offset added to all points.

```
((clear-polygon viewport) points offset) → void?
  viewport : viewport?
  points : (listof posn?)
  offset : posn?
```

Whitens a polygon border in *viewport*, analogous to draw-polygon.

```
((flip-polygon viewport) points offset) → void?
  viewport : viewport?
  points : (listof posn?)
  offset : posn?
```

Inverts a polygon border in *viewport*, analogous to draw-polygon.

Draws a solid polygon in *viewport* using *points* for the polygon vertices and *offset* as an offset added to all points.

Whitens a polygon border in *viewport*, analogous to draw-solid-polygon.

Inverts a polygon border in *viewport*, analogous to draw-solid-polygon.

#### 4.7 Strings

Draws a string at a specified location in the *viewport*. The lower left of the string begins at p.

```
((clear-string viewport) p str) → void?
  viewport : viewport?
  p : posn?
  str : string?
```

Whitens a string at a specified location in the *viewport*. The lower left of the string begins at p.

```
((flip-string viewport) p str) → void?
  viewport : viewport?
  p : posn?
  str : string?
```

Inverts a string at a specified location in the viewport. The lower left of the string begins at p.

#### 4.8 Pixmaps

Draws a pixmap into *viewport* with its upper left corner at position *p*. If *type* is 'unknown or 'unknown/mask, then the content of the file is examined to determine the type. The 'gif/mask, 'png/mask, and 'unknown/mask types draw the bitmap with a transparent background if filename refers to a GIF/PNG file with a transparent background.

The argument *color* is only used when the loaded pixmap is monochrome. In that case, the color is used instead of black in the drawn image.

Equivalent to (((draw-pixmap-posn file) viewport) p color).

```
((save-pixmap viewport) file [type]) → void?
  viewport : viewport?
  file : path-string?
  type : (one-of/c 'gif 'jpeg 'png 'xbm 'xpm 'bmp) = 'xpm
```

Saves the current content of *viewport* to *file*. The *type* argument determines the kind of file that is written.

## **5 World Operations**

Every canvas comes with an associated world. A client program can set the world, start the world's clock, stop the world's clock, and deal with tick events (the clock ticks) and keyboard inputs (keyevents).

```
((init-world viewport) v) → void?
  viewport : viewport?
  v : any/c
```

Sets the initial value of viewport's world to v.

For viewport, sets update-callback to be invoked to transform the world value every secs seconds. Only one callback is installed at a time.

```
((stop-tick viewport)) → void?
viewport : viewport?
```

Stops updating *viewport*'s world via a callback installed with set-on-tick-event.

```
((set-on-key-event viewport) key-callback) → void?
  viewport : viewport?
  key-callback : (any/c any/c . -> . any/c)
```

Sets key-callback as the function to call whenever a key event is received for viewport. The key-callback is given a key event and the current world, and it produces an updated world.

## **6** Miscellaneous Operations

```
((get-string-size viewport) str) → (list/c real? real?)
  viewport : viewport?
  str : string?
```

Returns the size of str as drawn into viewport as a list of two numbers: width and height.

```
(viewport->snip viewport) → (is-a?/c snip%)
  viewport : viewport?
```

Returns an object that can be inserted into an editor buffer to display the current image in the viewport. (Subsequent drawing to the viewport does not affect the snip's image.)

When snips are the results of computations in the interactions window, DrRacket shows the snip in the interactions window.}

```
(viewport-dc viewport) → (is-a?/c dc<%>)
  viewport : viewport?
```

Returns an object for direct drawing into *viewport*'s on-screen representation (if any). Mirror all such drawing to the result of (*viewport-buffer-dc viewport*), too.

```
(viewport-buffer-dc viewport) → (is-a?/c dc<%>)
  viewport : viewport?
```

Returns an object for direct drawing into *viewport*'s off-screen representation. Mirror all such drawing to the result of (*viewport*-dc *viewport*), too.

## 7 An Example

```
(open-graphics)
; nothing appears to happen, but the library is initialized...
(define w (open-viewport "practice" 300 300))
; viewport window appears

((draw-line w) (make-posn 30 30) (make-posn 100 100))
; line appears

(close-viewport w)
; viewport disappears

(close-graphics)
; again, nothing appears to happen, but
; unclosed viewports (if any) would disappear
```

## 8 A More Complicated Example

The use of multiple viewports, viewport descriptors, drawing operations for multiple viewports is as easy as the use of a single viewport:

## 9 Protecting Graphics Operations

To guarantee the proper closing of viewports in cases of errors, especially when a program manages several viewports simultaneously, a programmer should use dynamic-wind:

```
(let ([w (open-viewport "hello" 100 100)])
  (dynamic-wind
   ; what we want to happen first: nothing
  void
   ; the main program (errors constrained to this piece)
    (lambda () (draw-pixel 13)) ; an error
   ; what we would like to happen, whether the main program
   ; finishes normally or not
    (lambda () (close-viewport w))))
```

### **10 Mouse Operations**

The graphics library contains functions that determine where the mouse is, if there are any clicks, etc. The functions <code>get-mouse-click</code> and <code>ready-mouse-click</code> first return a "mouse-click descriptor," and then other functions take the descriptor and return the mouse's position, which button was pushed, etc. Mouse clicks are buffered and returned in the same order in which they occurred. Thus, the descriptors returned by <code>get-mouse-click</code> and <code>ready-mouse-click</code> may be from clicks that occurred long before these functions were called.

```
(get-mouse-click viewport) → mouse-click?
  viewport : viewport?
```

Returns the next mouse click in *viewport*, waiting for a click if necessary.

```
(ready-mouse-click\ viewport) \rightarrow (or/c\ mouse-click?\ false/c)
viewport: viewport?
```

Returns either a mouse click descriptor or #f if none is available. Unlike get-mouse-click, ready-mouse-click always returns immediately.

```
(ready-mouse-release viewport) → (or/c mouse-click? false/c)
  viewport : viewport?
```

Returns either a click descriptor from a mouse-release (button-up) event or #f if none is available.

```
(query-mouse-posn viewport) → (or/c posn? false/c)
  viewport : viewport?
```

Returns either the position of the mouse cursor within *viewport* or else #f if the cursor is currently outside *viewport*.

```
(mouse-click-posn mouse-click) → posn?
mouse-click : mouse-click?
```

Returns the position of the pixel within a viewport where a given mouse click occurred.

```
(left-mouse-click? mouse-click) → boolean?
  mouse-click : mouse-click?
```

Returns #t if the mouse click occurred with the left mouse button, #f otherwise.

```
(middle-mouse-click? mouse-click) → boolean?
  mouse-click : mouse-click?
```

Returns #t if the mouse click occurred with the middle mouse button, #f otherwise.

```
(right-mouse-click? mouse-click) → boolean?
  mouse-click : mouse-click?
```

Returns #t if the mouse click occurred with the right mouse button, #f otherwise.

## 11 Keyboard Operations

The graphics library contains functions that report key presses from the keyboard. The functions <code>get-key-press</code> and <code>ready-key-press</code> return a "key-press descriptor," and then <code>key-value</code> takes the descriptor and returns a character or symbol (usually a character) representing the key that was pressed. Key presses are buffered and returned in the same order in which they occurred. Thus, the descriptors returned by <code>get-key-press</code> and <code>ready-key-press</code> may be from presses that occurred long before these functions were called.

```
(get-key-press viewport) → key-press?
  viewport : viewport?
```

Returns the next key press in the *viewport*, waiting for a key press if necessary.

```
(ready-key-press viewport) → key-press?
  viewport : viewport?
```

Returns the next key press in the *viewport* or returns #f if none is available. Unlike get-key-press, ready-key-press always returns immediately.

```
(key-value key-press) → (or/c char? symbol?)
key-press : key-press?
```

Returns a character or special symbol for the key that was pressed. For example, the Enter key generates #\return, and the up-arrow key generates 'up. For a complete list of possible return values, see get-key-code.

# 12 Flushing

```
(viewport-flush-input viewport) → void?
  viewport : viewport?
```

Empties all mouse and keyboard events in the input buffer of viewport.

## 13 Graphics Library as a Unit

#### 13.1 Signatures

```
(require graphics/graphics-sig) package: htdp-lib
graphics^ : signature
```

Includes all of the bindings defined earlier in this chapter, except the posn bindings of §2 "Position Operations".

```
graphics:posn^ : signature
```

Includes the posn bindings of §2 "Position Operations".

#### 13.2 Unit with posn

```
(require graphics/graphics-unit) package: htdp-lib
graphics@ : unit?
```

Imports mred^ and exports both graphics^ and graphics:posn^.

#### 13.3 Unit without posn

Imports mred^ and graphics:posn^ and exports graphics^.