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graph determinant is equal to the determinant of the coeffi-(CAS) 155-1960w cient equations. graphic A symbol produced by a process such as handwriting, drawing, or printing. Synonym: graphic symbol.

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graphical Pertaining to the pictorial representation of data (C) 610.6-1991w

graphical display device A display device that can display graphical output. Note: Graphical display devices can display characters but they are in the form of graphical images. See also: display space; display surface. (C) 610.6-1991w

Graphical Information Retrieval Language (GIRL) A programming language used to manipulate information in arbitrary directed-graph structures, including facilities for insertion, retrieval, deletion, and comparison.

graphical input device (A) An input device employed in the interactive process of identifying a location on a display surface; for example, a joystick, a data tablet, a control ball, a mouse, or a thumbwheel. (B) An input device employed in (C) 610.6-1991 the entry of graphical images.

Graphical Kernel System (GKS) A computer graphics standard that provides a set of basic functions for producing computer generated pictures. It was developed by the International Standards Organization (ISO) and adopted by the American National Standards Institute (ANSI).

(C) 610.6-1991w

graphical model A symbolic model whose properties are expressed in diagrams; for example, a decision tree used to express a complex procedure. Contrast: mathematical model; (C) 610.3-1989w software model; narrative model.

graphical user interface (GUI) (1) A user interface that is graphical in nature; that is, the user can enter commands by sing a mouse, icons and windows. Note: Sometimes pronced "gooey." Contrast: character-based user interface

(C) 610.10-1994w (2) A means of presenting function to a user through the use of graphics. All such interfaces are outside the scope of this (C/PA) 1387.2-1995

graphical user interface font See: screen font.

graphic character (1) A character, other than a control character, that is normally represented by a graphic. Synonym: (C) 610.2-1987 optical character.

(2) A sequence of one or more POSIX.POSIX\_Characters (C) 1003.5-1999 representing a single graphic symbol.

graphic display (supervisory control, data acquisition, and automatic control) (station control and data acquisition) A hardware device [e.g., CRT, VDT, liquid crystal display (LCD), mapboard, plasma panel, arrays of lamps, or light emitting diodes] used to present pictorial information.

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graphic display device A display device that can display graphical output. Note: Graphic display devices can display characters but they are in the form of graphic images. Contrast: character display device. (C) 610.10-1994w

graphic printer A printer that can display both text and graphical output. Contrast: character printer. (C) 610.10-1994w graphic input device An input device employed in the entry of

graphic images. Examples include a joystick, a mouse, or a (C) 610.10-1994w track ball. See also: digitizer.

graphics adapter An expansion board that enhances the computer's ability to control the display device; for example, a graphics adapter that allows color output, or non-interlacing. Synonym: video board. (C) 610.10-1994w

graphics data See: display data. graphics field\* See: viewport.

\* Deprecated.

graphics input The interactive process of entering data on a graphics system. (C) 610.6-1991w

graphics language A programming language that produces dis-(C) 610.6-1991w

graphics processor See: display processor.

GraphicString A value of the ASN.1 GraphicString restricted character string type. (C/PA) 1238.1-1994w

graphic symbol (1) (abbreviation) A geometric representation used to depict graphically the generic function of an item as it normally is used in a circuit. See also: abbreviation.

(GSD) 267-1966

(2) A shorthand used to show graphically the functioning or interconnections of a circuit. A graphic symbol represents the functions of a part in the circuit. For example, when a lamp is employed as a nonlinear resistor, the nonlinear resistor symbol is used. Graphic symbols are used on single-line (oneline) diagrams, on schematic or elementary diagrams, or, as applicable, on connection or wiring diagrams. Graphic symbols are correlated with parts lists, descriptions, or instructions by means of designations. (GSD) 315-1975r

graphics system A collection of hardware or software allowing the use of graphical input or output in computer programs. (C) 610.6-1991w

graphic tablet A data tablet or digitizer that can be used with a stylus to trace existing graphic images, or for entering new images. (C) 610.10-1994w

graphic user terminal A terminal used to display and manipulate both alphanumeric symbols as well as graphic images. (C) 610.10-1994w

graphite brush A brush composed principally of graphite. Note: This type of brush is soft. Grades of brushes of this type differ greatly in current-carrying capacity and in operating speed from low to high. See also: brush.

(PE/EEC/LB) [9], [101] graph transmittance (network analysis) The ratio of signal at some specified dependent node, to the signal applied at some specified source node. Note: The graph transmittance is the weighted sum of the path transmittances of the different open paths from the designated source node to the designated dependent node, where the weight for each path is the path factor divided bt the graph determinant.

(CAS) 155-1960w

grass A descriptive colloquialism referring to the appearance of noise on certain displays, such as an A-display.

(AES) 686-1997

graticule (oscilloscopes) A scale for measurement of quantities displayed on the cathode-ray tube of an oscilloscope. See also: oscilloscope. (IM/HFIM) [40]

graticule area (oscilloscopes) The area enclosed by the continuous outer graticule lines. Note: Unless otherwise stated the graticule area shall be equal to or less than the viewing area. See also: quality area; oscillograph; viewing area. (IM/HFIM) [40]

graticule, internal See: internal graticule.

grating See: ultrasonic space grating.

grating lobe A lobe, other than the main lobe, produced by an array antenna when the interelement spacing is sufficiently large to permit the in-phase addition of radiated fields in more (AP/ANT) 145-1993 than one direction.

gravitational acceleration unit (g, g) (1) A unit of acceleration that is approximately 32.2 ft/s2 [9.8 m/s2].

(C/BA) 1101.4-1993, 1101.3-1993

(2) The symbol g denotes a unit of acceleration equal in magnitude to the local value of gravity, unless otherwise specified. Notes: 1. In some applications, a standard value of g may be specified. 2. For an earthbound accelerometer, the attractive force of gravity acting on the proof mass must be treated as an applied upward acceleration of 1 g.

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gravity gradient stabilization (communication satellite) The use of the gravity gradient along a satellite structure for