CPSC 212: Data Structures and Algorithms

Program 3: Fractal Fern

In this project you will write a program to draw a fractal of your own design, with parameters controlled by sliders. You can base your program on the code handed out to you in class, but you should revise it to try to make it look like a fractal fern. Try to make it look realistic. As another option with up to 90% credit, you can make a fractal of any sort using this framework—perhaps a fractal flower, tree, fireworks, Jack-O-Lantern, or just an interesting shape etc. It can be realistic or fanciful.

In either case, you should use randomness in three different ways in your program, and you should use three sliders to control aspects of the appearance of your fractal. You should use three different types of shapes somewhere in your fractal: lines, ellipses, or polygons. As an option, you can use images in place of one of the other primitives, for example, for a background, flowerpot, or berry. (Look into documentation on the C# WPF Brush class for info on how to use an image.)

**Turn in:** Turn in a program grading sheet (other side of this page). Also submit your project directory in a zipfile to moodle. Don’t forget to use good programming style, including whitespace, indenting, good variable names, and helpful comments. Document the input requirements and results of functions. 10% of the final grade will be based on programming style.

**Fabulous Prizes:** We will view results in class, with the class selecting its favorite. A Fabulous Prize will be awarded to the author of the winning program. (I reserve the right to define “fabulous.”) Late programs may not be eligible for the prize.
Program 3 – Grading Sheet

Name: ___________________________________  Date turned in: _________ Late? ______

Parts of the program I didn’t get to work:

Comments on this assignment:

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- Program compiles and runs (30)
- Program displays a fractal, with self-similarity at different levels (20)
- Program has sliders that control three parameters of the rendering (10)
- Program uses three types of randomness and three primitives (10)
- Program displays a realistic-looking fern (10)
- Program uses good programming style (10)
- Mechanics: turn in printout with grading sheet; submit electronically (10)

Total (100)