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A Dynamic Noise Primitive for Coherent Stylization



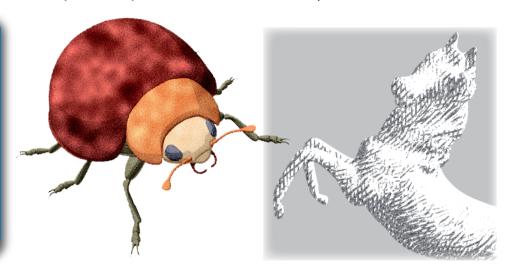
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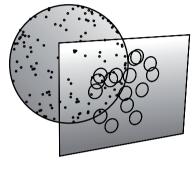
Goals

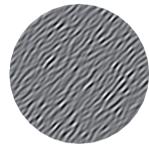
To achieve successful **temporal coherent stylization** of 3D animations in NPR, three constraints must be fulfilled:

- Flatness: 2D impression of the style,
- **Coherent motion**: high correlation between the 3D motion field and the motion of the pattern,
- **Temporal continuity**: minimal changes from frame to frame. These goals are conflicting: temporal coherence may only be achieved through a **compromise**.



noise generation scheme





NPR Gabor Noise

Generalizing [KC05,BKTS07], our key insight is that blending a **large number of primitives** reduces popping and creates a continuous texture similar to **sparse convolution noises**. We extend Gabor noise [LLDD09] to obtain a noise satisfying our constraints:

- the noise and its parameters are defined and evaluated in screen space,
- the noise kernels are attached to a distribution of points defined on the surface,
- a **LOD mechanism** ensures continuous and constant density of points in 2D.

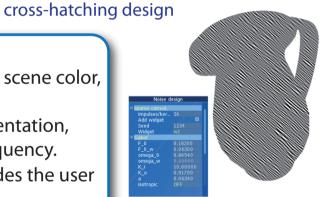
Our blending scheme preserves the **statistical properties** of the noise and guaranties a **smooth behavior** throughout time.

Styles Design

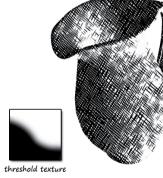
We use standard techniques from procedural texturing and modeling to create a wide range of styles:

- Thresholding to obtain binary styles,
- **Compositing** of noise layers with the scene color,
- Local control:
 - curvature can guide the noise orientation,
 - shading can modify the noise frequency.

Our GPU splatting implementation provides the user with **interactive feedback**.



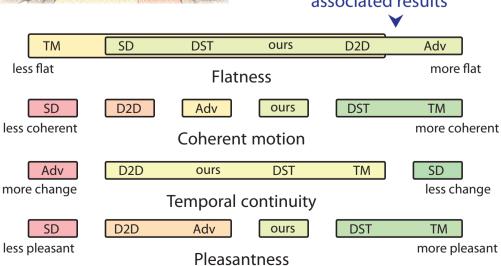


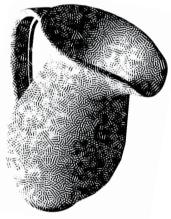
















User Study

We **perceptually evaluate** the success of six approaches with the following setup:

- Ranking tasks for each criteria,
- 2 test scenes: a simple and a complex one,
- 15 naïve subjects.

The results show that **motion coherence** is the most important quality to preserve in the overall compromise, and that our new solution provides a satisfactory trade-off.

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