



Virtual Painting

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Digital Painting



Many advantages

- Undo mistakes
- Perfect copies
- Unlimited reprints
- No material cost
- No drying
- No fading or decay
- No physical limits

Alvy Ray Smith and Ed Ernschwiler
working on "Paint", 1979



Traditional Painting

- **Rich, dynamic behavior**
 - Deformable brushes
 - Fluid paint
- **Intuitive control**
 - 3D input
 - Visual and haptic feedback

→ *The process*

“The dispatch with which a number of effects can be obtained by a direct, simple technique” – *Mayer 1991, The Artist’s Handbook*





Goal

- **Enable realistic interactive painting on computer with thick medium using realistic 3D brushes**





Applications

- **Training**
- **Education**
- **Entertainment**
- **Production**





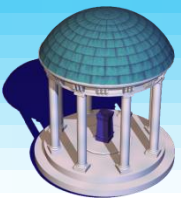
Artist's Quote

“My artist's toolbox has oils and acrylics—and a computer. But the computer's not tactile, and I miss that. You can't push junk around.”

– *Tia, Pixar Animation Studios*



<http://www.pixar.com/artistscorner/tia/interview.html>



Artist's Quote

"I have used painter and psp [Paint Shop Pro] for a few yrs, and would **welcome something better, would fight for, would almost die for** a program like is described."

--received by email 8/27/04



Problem Overview

● Brush

- Complex geometry
- Stiff dynamical system

● Paint

- Complex surface
- Complex behavior
- Subsurface scattering

● Haptics

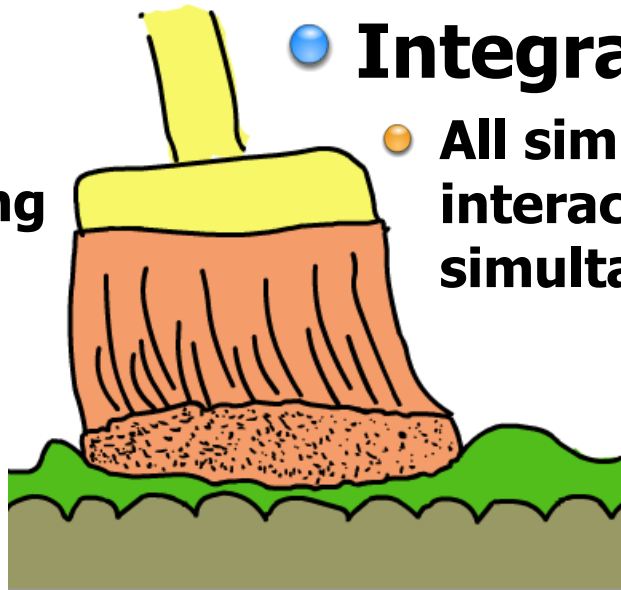
- Needs stability
- Needs kHz updates

● Interaction

- Canvas \Leftrightarrow Brush contact
- Canvas \Leftrightarrow Brush transfers

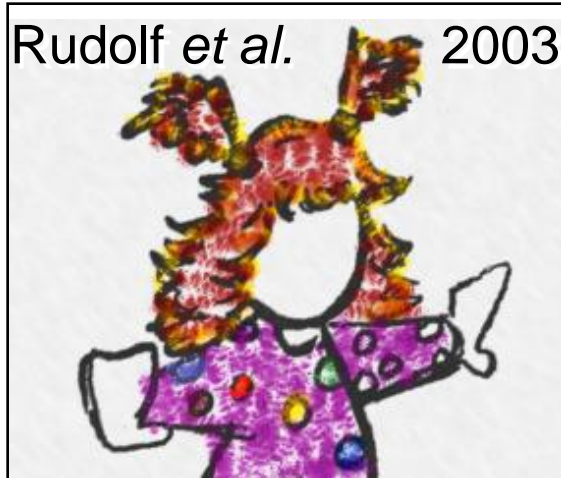
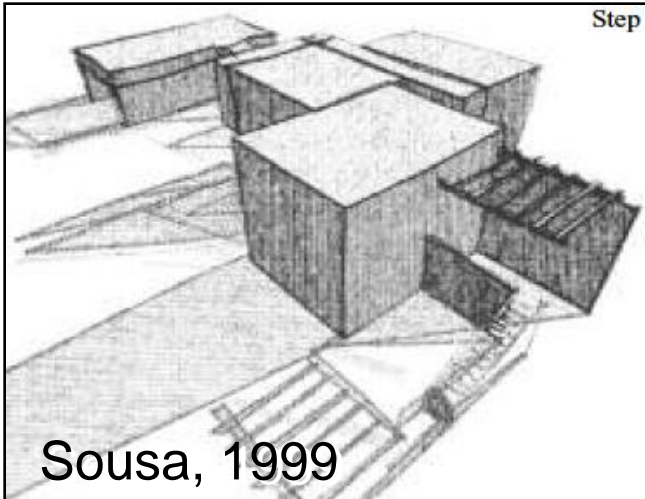
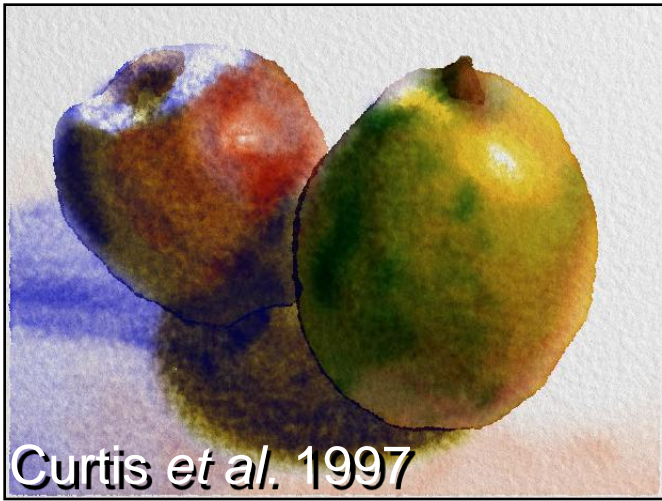
● Integration

- All simulations must work interactively simultaneously



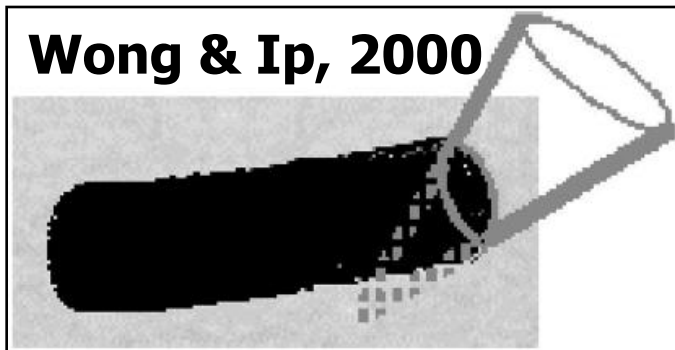
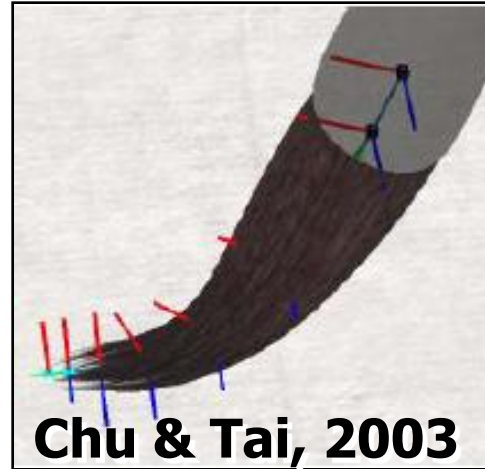
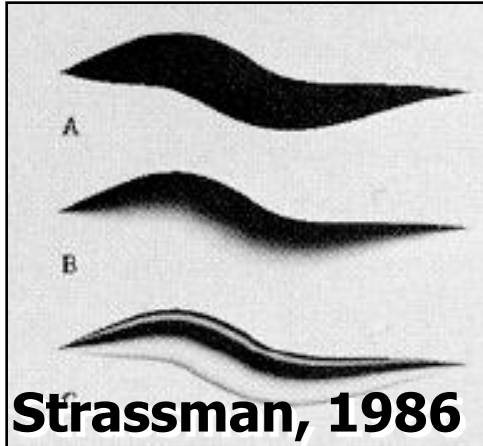


Natural Media





Brush Simulation



- Only for ink painting
- Specialized geometry
- Lower stiffness
- No real bristles
- No paint pickup
- Some not interactive

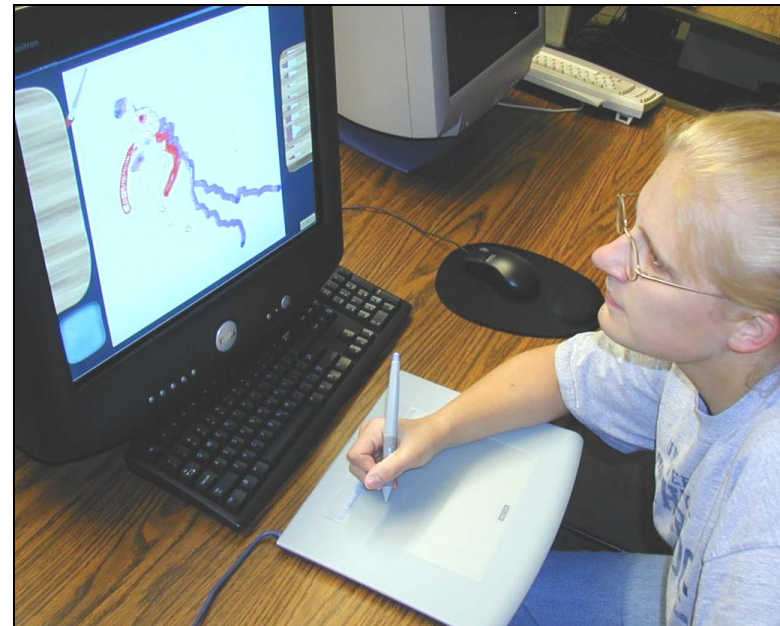
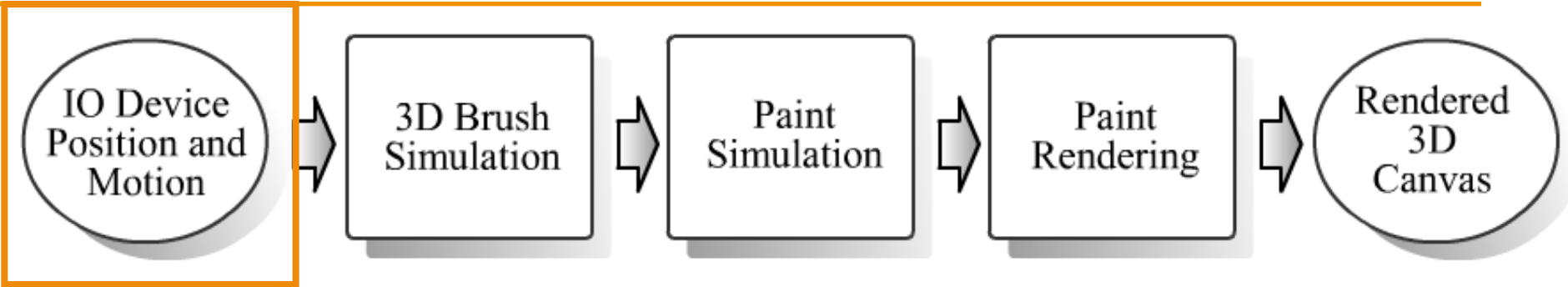


System Context



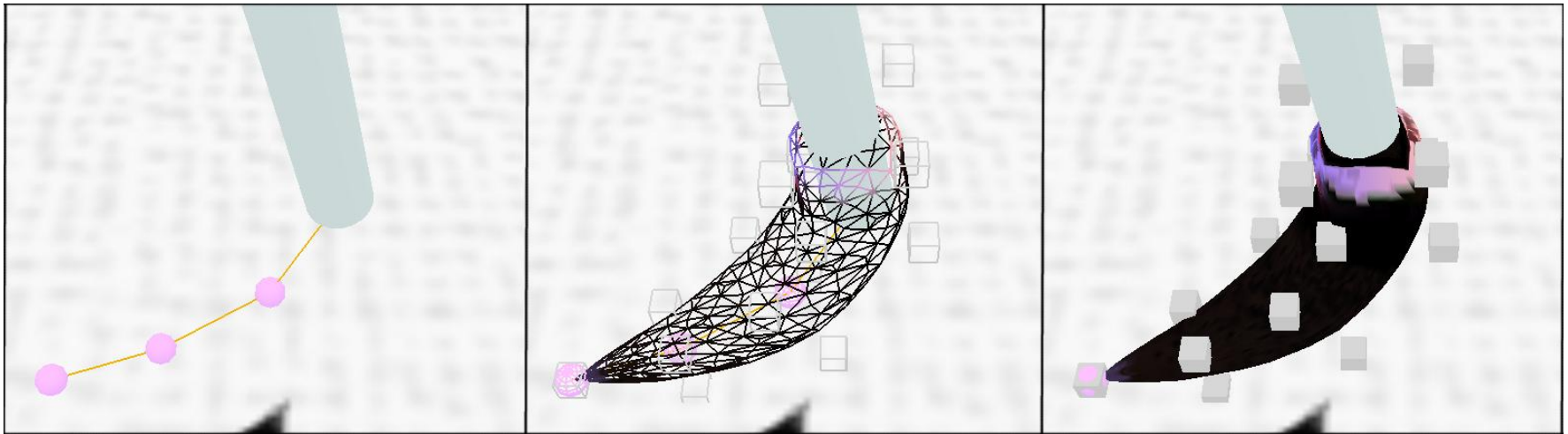
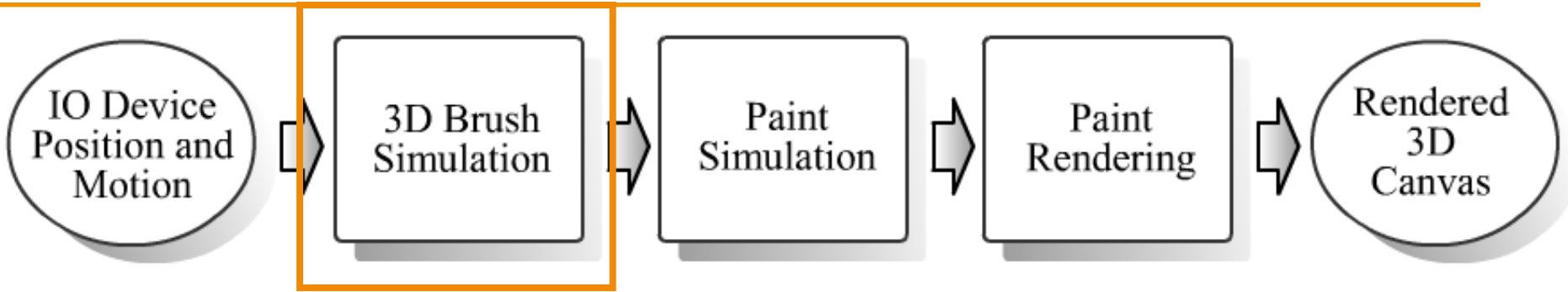


Input



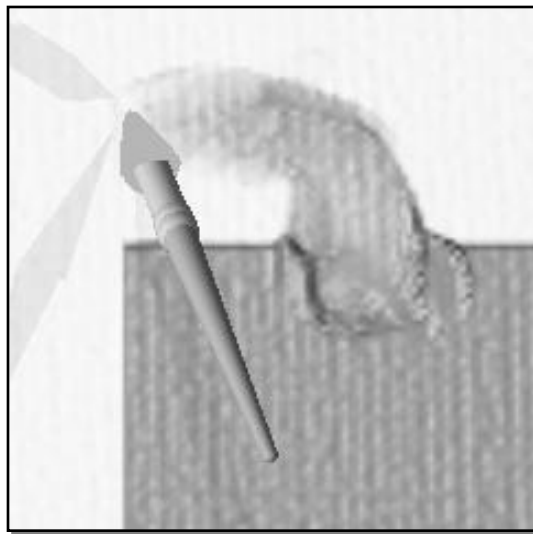
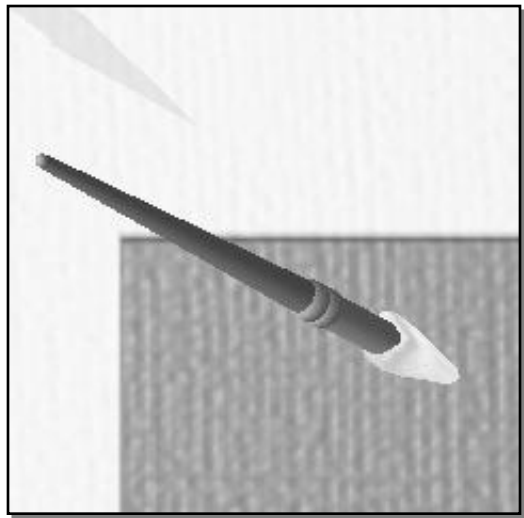


Brush Simulation



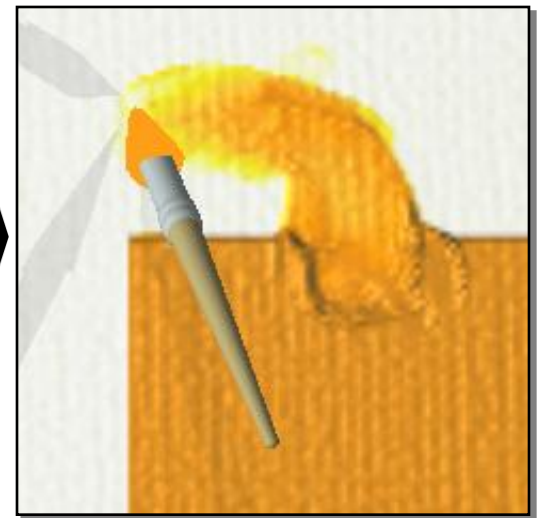
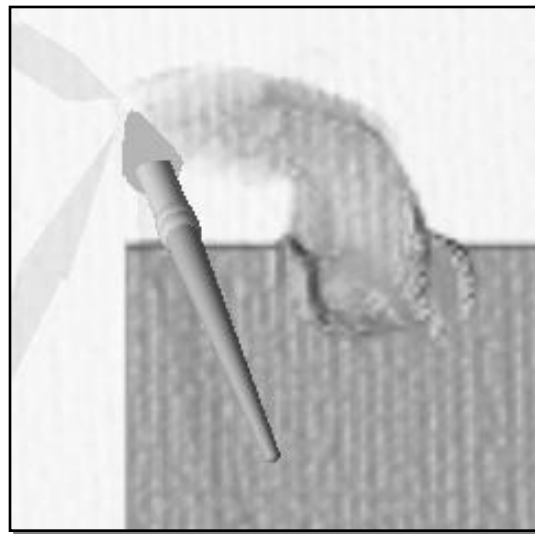
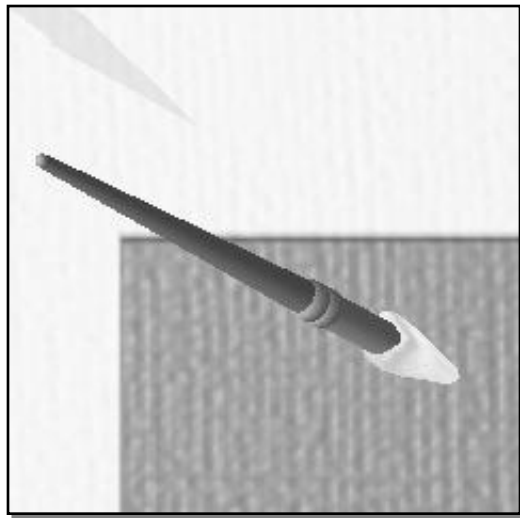
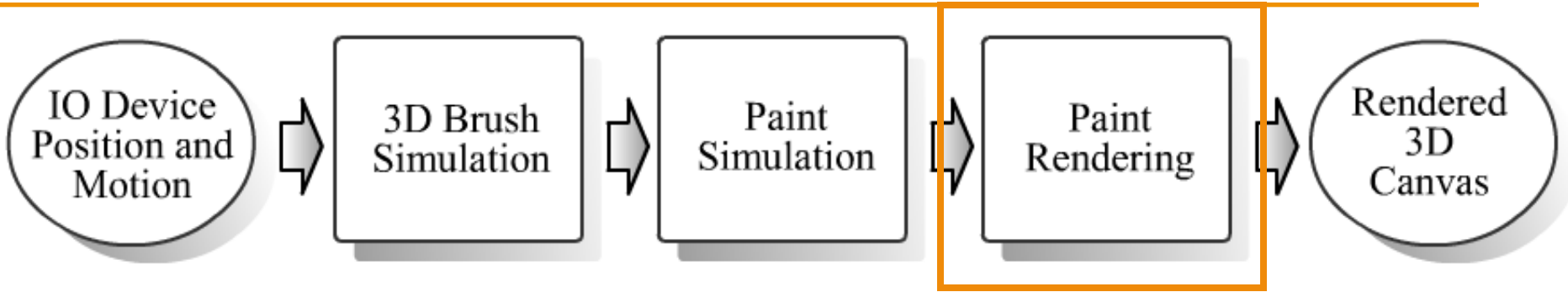


Paint Simulation



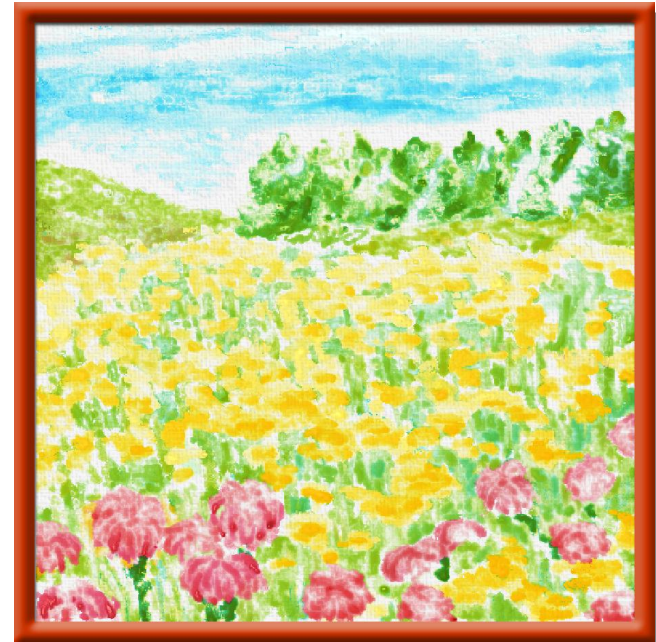
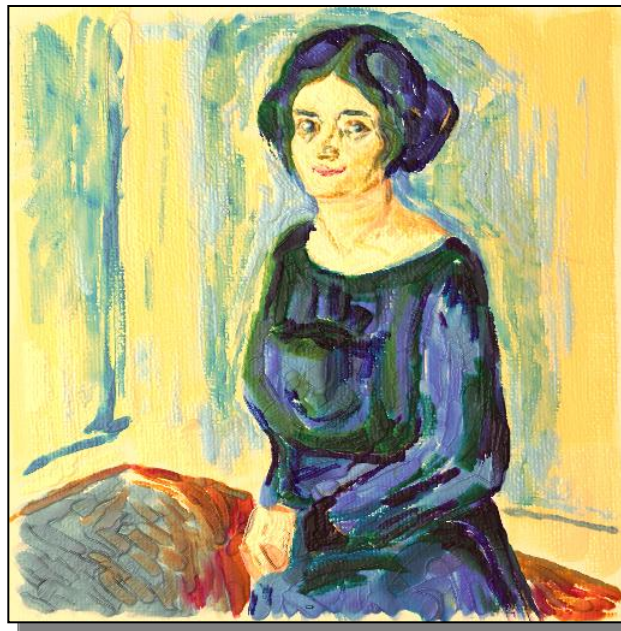
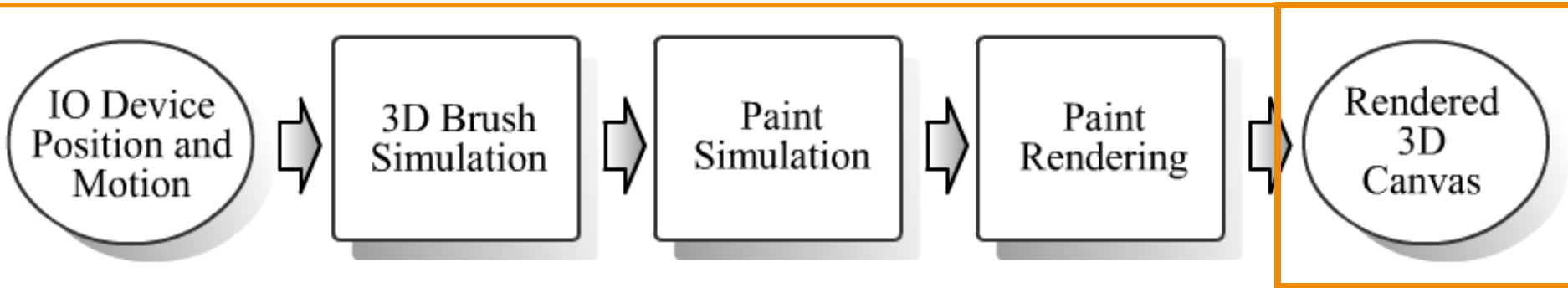


Paint Rendering





System Overview





System Demonstration

[http://www.youtube.com/watch?
v=tZq-cpeZm8Q](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=tZq-cpeZm8Q)



Brush Modeling

● Geometric modeling

- Brush has 1,000's of hairs
- Each interacts with paint & roughness/tooth of canvas

● Dynamic simulation

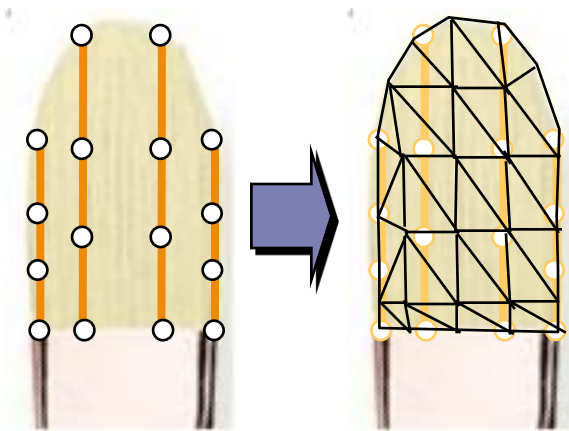
- Each hair deformable and independent
- Bristles have stiff dynamics



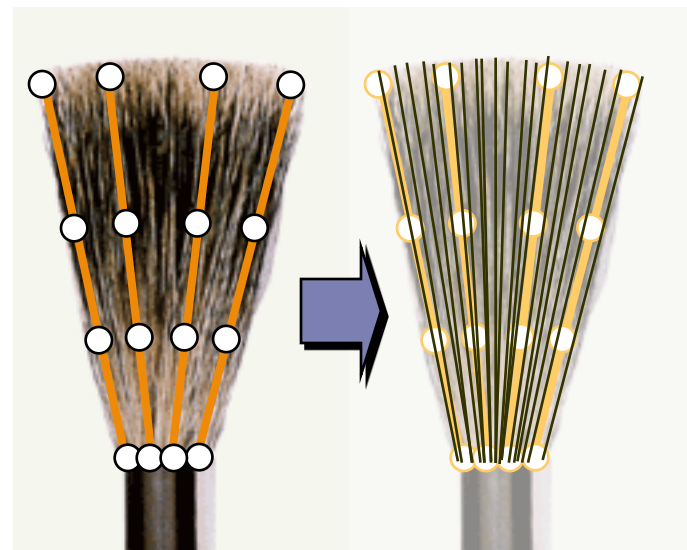


Geometric Modeling

- **Exploit bristle coherence**
- **Define skeletal “spine” bristles**
- **Deform surface or interpolate bristles**



For smoother, neater marks



For coarser, rougher marks



Brush Spine Dynamics

- **Stiff dynamical system**
- **Force large, mass small**
- **Numerical integration requires small timestep**





Minimization Approach

- **Brush always at equilibrium so**

$$F = M\ddot{x} \Rightarrow F = 0$$

- **A *statics* problem**

- Or *quasi-static* since $\dot{x} \neq 0$

- $F = 0 \Rightarrow$ **Energy min**

- **Use standard, robust minimizer**

- E.g. Quasi-Newton SQP
(Sequential Quadratic Programming)



Brush Energy Minimization

Minimize

$$E(\Theta, \Phi) = E_s + E_f + E_d$$

where

$$E_s(\Theta, \Phi) = \sum_i K_i \beta(\theta_i, \phi_i)^2 / 2$$

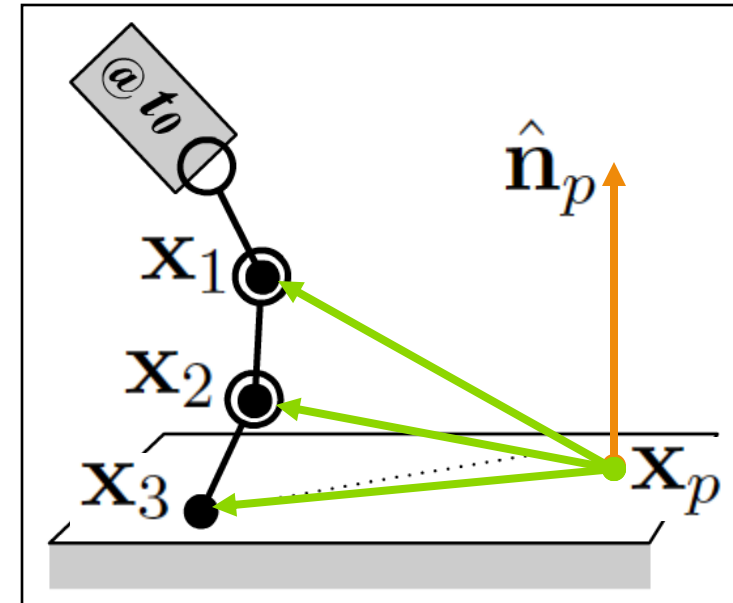
Spring energy

$$E_f(\Theta, \Phi) = \sum_i \mu |F_{n,i}| \|\Delta \mathbf{x}_{c,i}\|$$

Friction loss

$$E_d(\Theta, \Phi) = \sum_i D_i |\Delta \beta_i|$$

Damping loss



Subject to

$$(\mathbf{x}_i - \mathbf{x}_p) \cdot \hat{\mathbf{n}}_p \geq 0$$

Brush Modeling Results

Round	Flat/Bright	Filbert	Blender	Fan	Fude
					
					
					
					
					



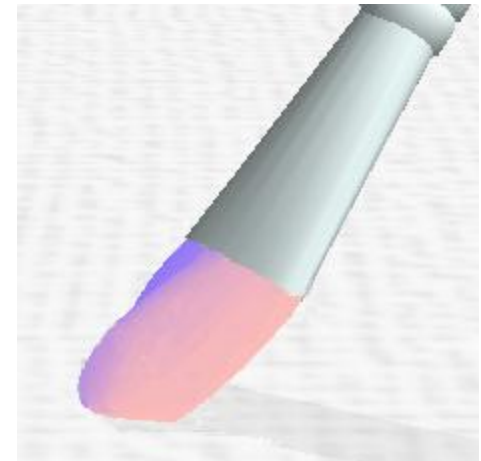
System Demonstration

Video



dAb Paint Simulation

- **Fast and simple**
- **2D paint behavior**
- **Modest system requirements**
- **First bi-directional brush transfer**
- **First complex loading**





Complex brush loading

- **Enabled by 3D brush model + bi-directional transfer**
- **An essential ^{Virtual Painting} technique in traditional painting**
- **Difficult previously**
- **Useful component of interface**



dAb Result Images



Frog

Rebecca
Holmberg



Apple

Sarah Hoff



Meadow

Rebecca
Holmberg



Man

Lauren Adams



Blossoms

Eriko Baxter



Road Bug

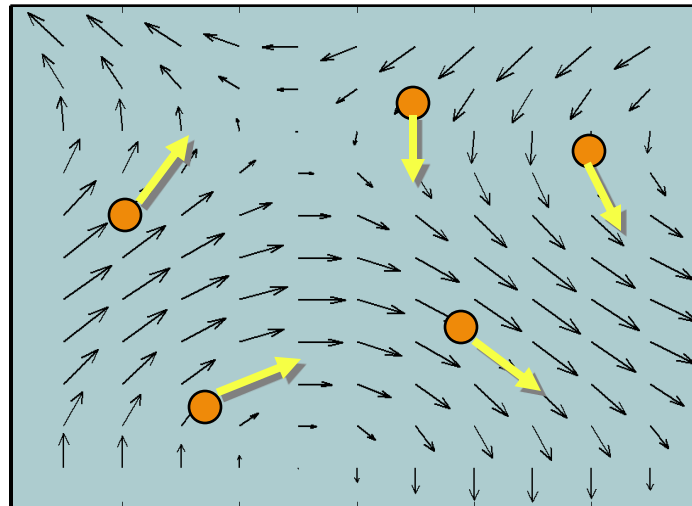
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Fluid Motion

Steps:

- Determine velocity field
- Advect material





Simulating Paint - Velocity

● Paint is a Viscous / Viscoplastic Fluid

$$\frac{\partial \mathbf{v}}{\partial t} = -(\mathbf{v} \cdot \nabla) \mathbf{v} - \nabla p + \nu \nabla^2 \mathbf{v} + \mu_e \nabla \cdot \boldsymbol{\sigma} + \mathbf{F}$$

acceleration *advection* *pressure* *viscosity* *elasticity*

$$\nabla \cdot \mathbf{v} = 0$$

incompressibility

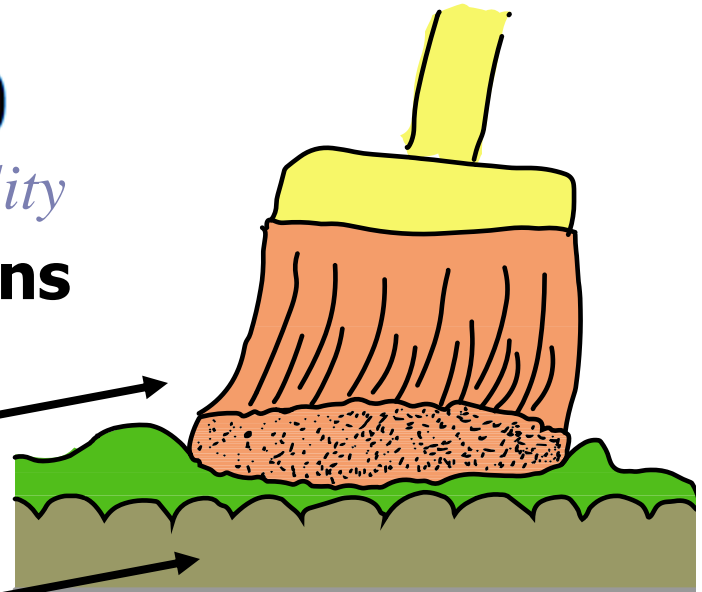
Subject to boundary conditions

$$\mathbf{v} = \mathbf{v}_{\text{brush}}$$

$$\in \partial\Omega_{\text{brush}}$$

$$\mathbf{v} = \mathbf{v}_{\text{canvas}}$$

$$\in \partial\Omega_{\text{canvas}}$$





Material Advection

- **Given velocity field \mathbf{v} , move material according to the advection equation:**

$$\frac{\partial q}{\partial t} = -(\mathbf{v} \cdot \nabla)q$$

- **Material = Pigment & φ field**
- **Semi-Lagrangian advection**



System Demonstration

Video



Viscous Result Images



Woman in a Hat

Eriko Baxter



Field of Flowers

Eriko Baxter



The Beach

Andrea Mantler

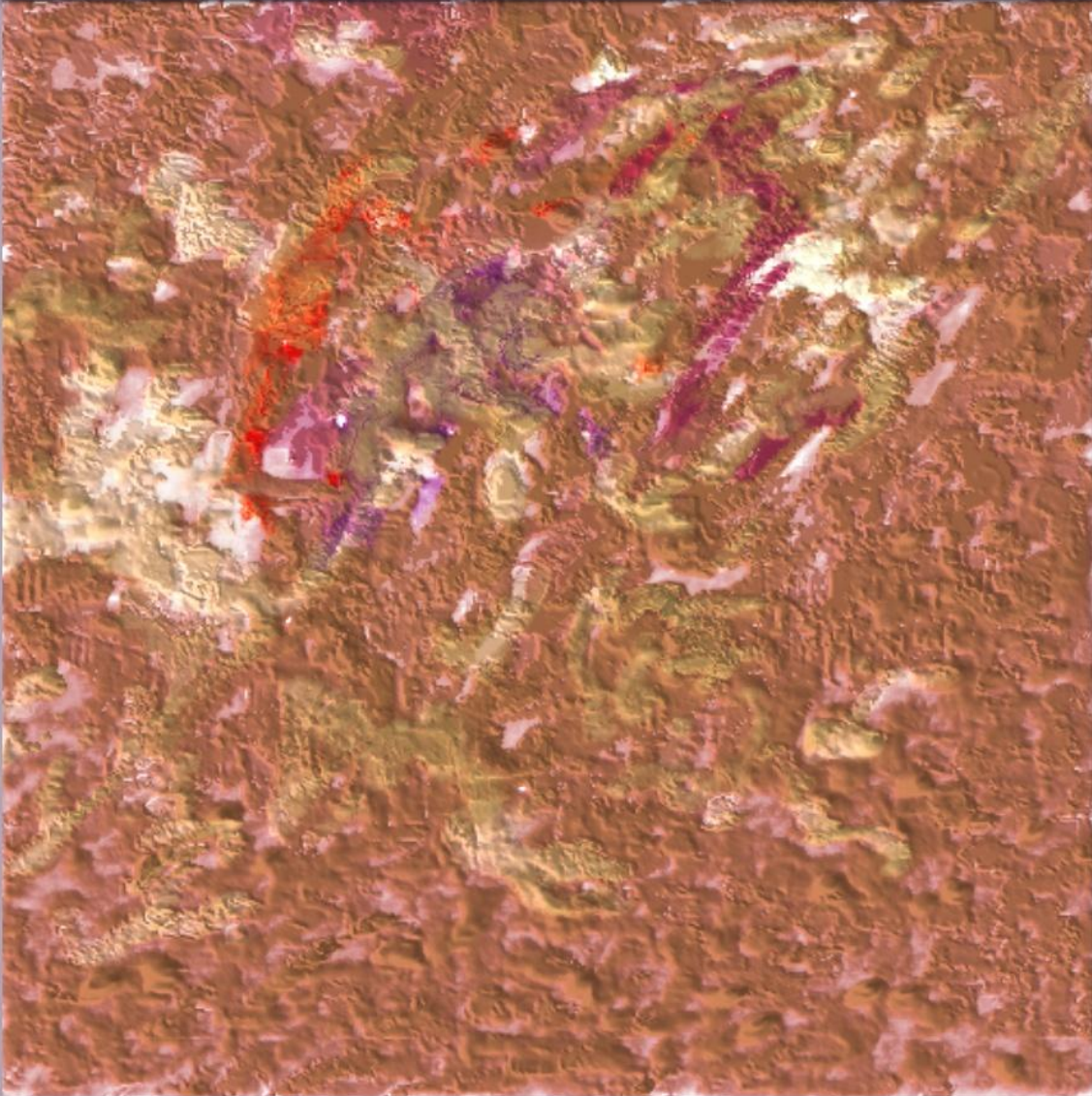


Meadow

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IMPaSTo Paint Dynamics

- **Paint is very complex**

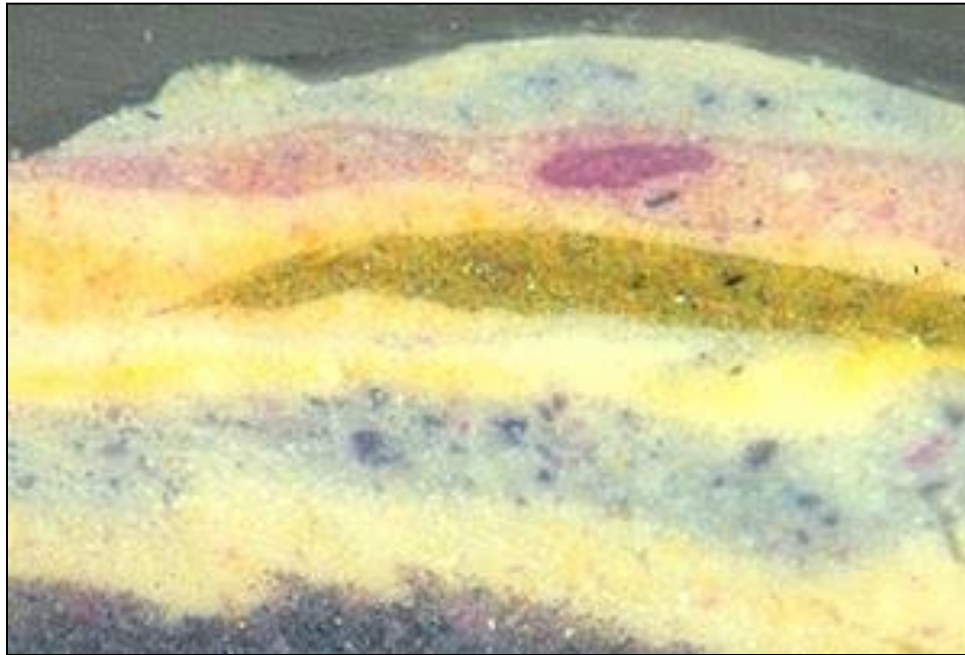


- **IMPaSTo strategy:
Model *dominant* terms**



2.5D Representation

- **Cross section of Monet's *Water Lilies***



(Courtesy The Museum of Modern Art)



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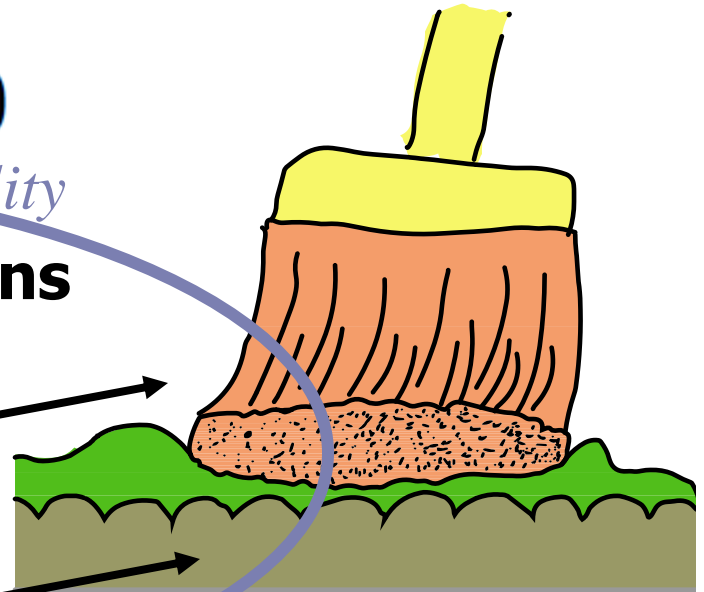
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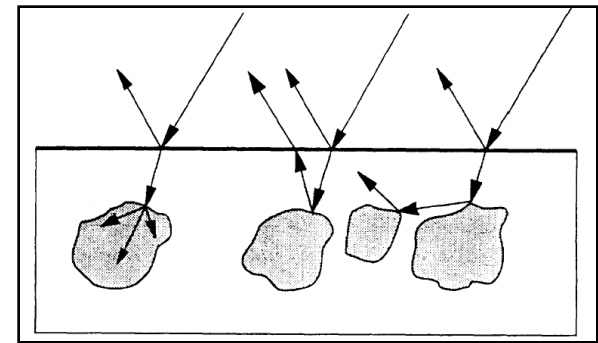
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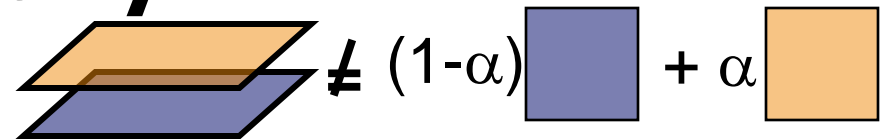
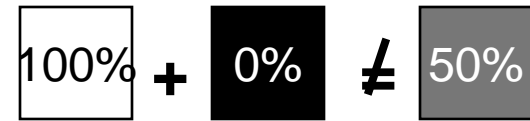


Paint Color

- **Pigmented material**
- **Subsurface scattering**



- **Mixes nonlinearly:**
- **Composites nonlinearly:**



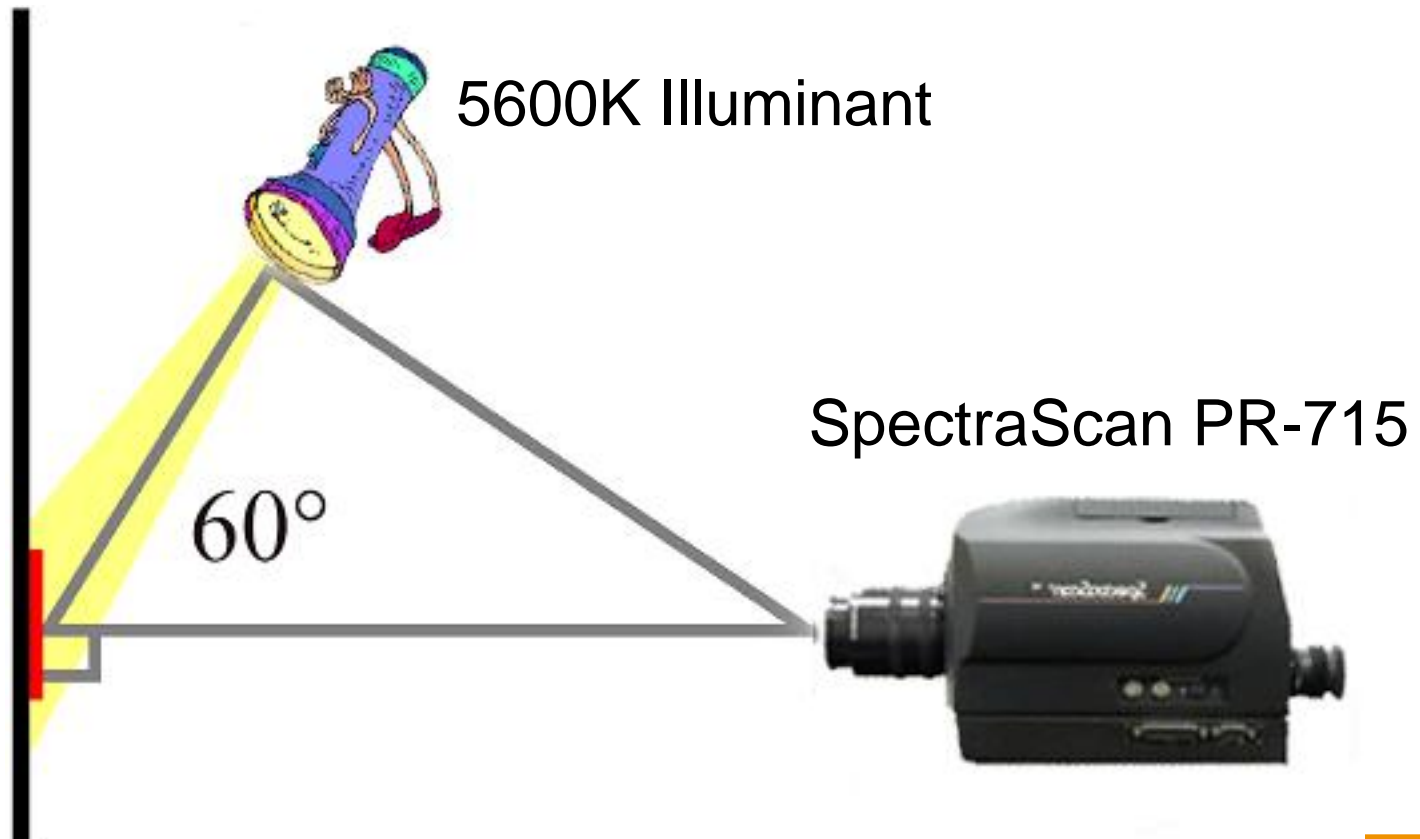
- **Kubelka-Munk model (1948,1954)**

$$R_{\infty} = 1 + \frac{K}{S} - \sqrt{\left(\frac{K}{S}\right)^2 + 2\frac{K}{S}}$$



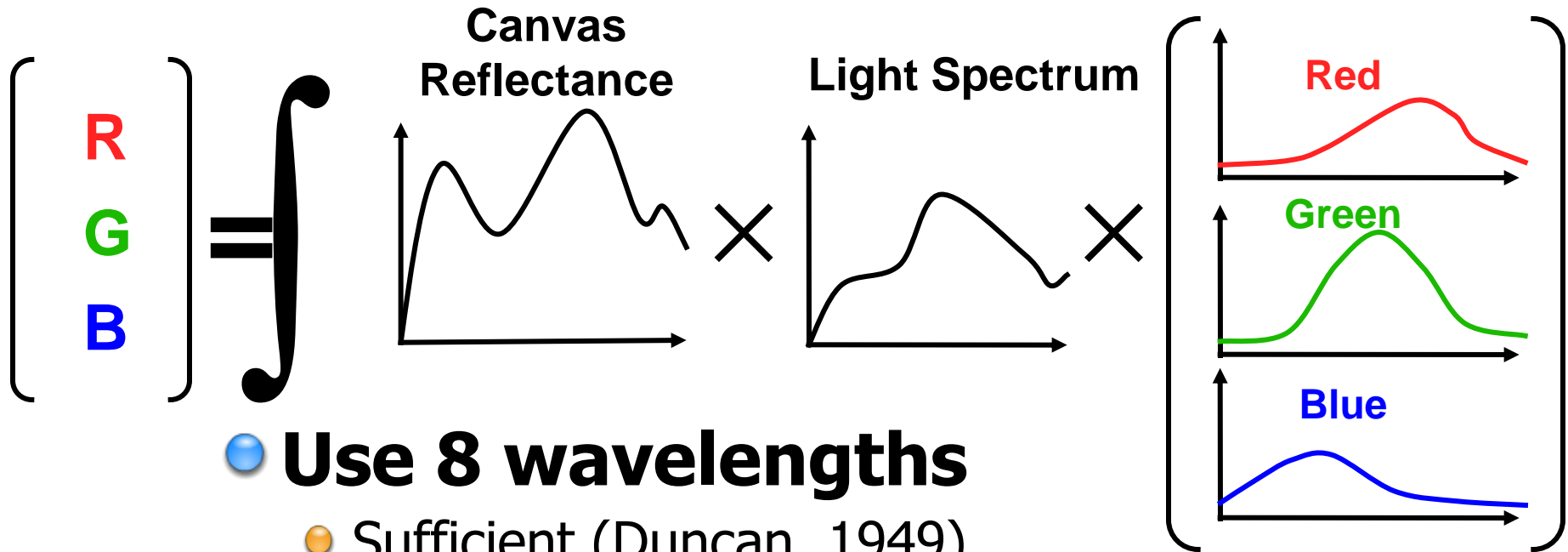
Measurement

• Data collection setup





Spectral Sampling



- **Use 8 wavelengths**


























- Sufficient (Duncan, 1949)
- Efficient on GPU

- **Gaussian quadrature**

- **Choose best 8 at runtime**



Color Mixing Results

Scanned Paint	101 Samples Riemann Sum	8 Samples IMPASTo	3 Samples RGB w/ K-M	3 Samples RGB Linear
				
				
				
				
				



System Demonstration

Video



IMPASTO Result Images



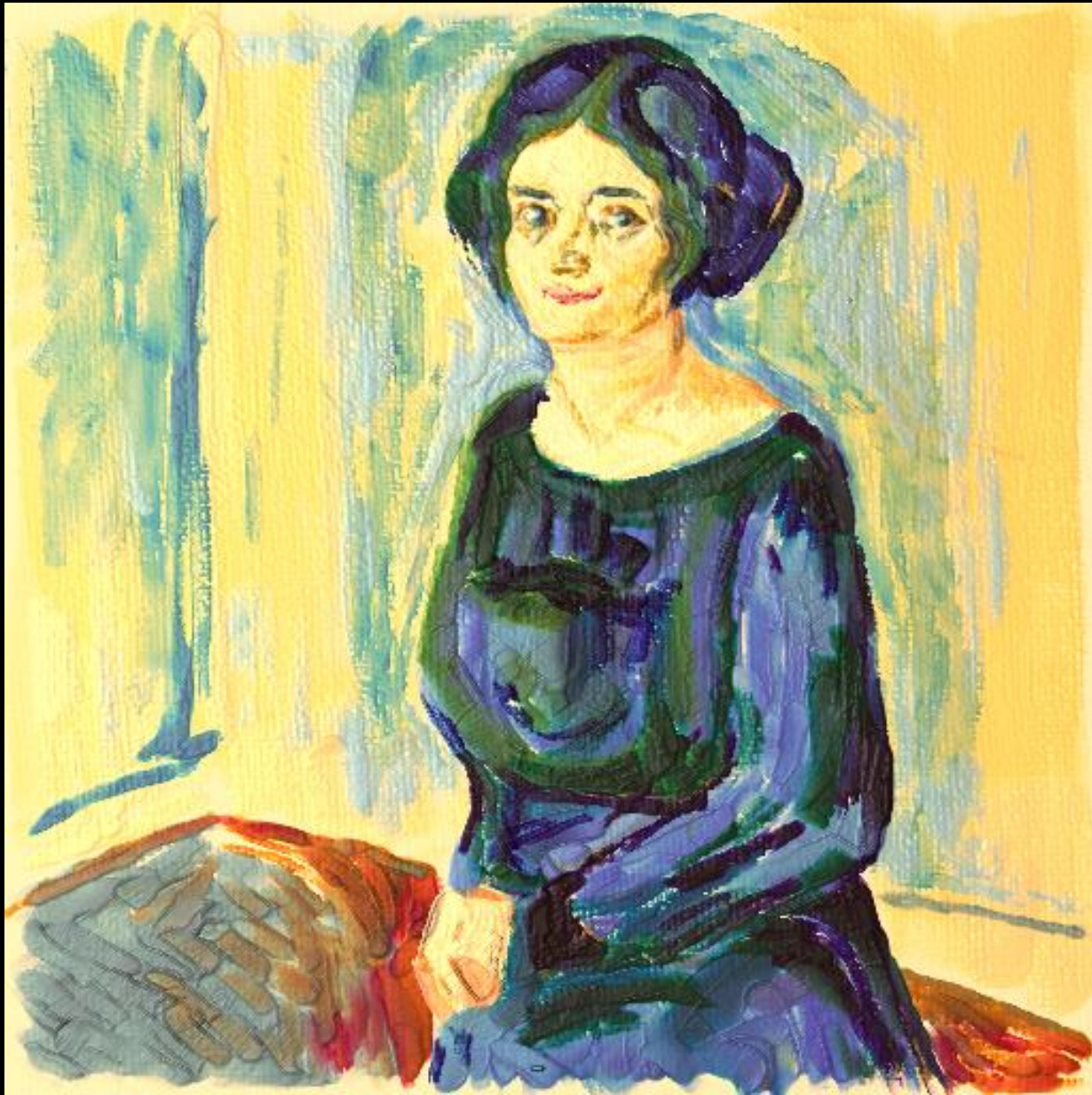
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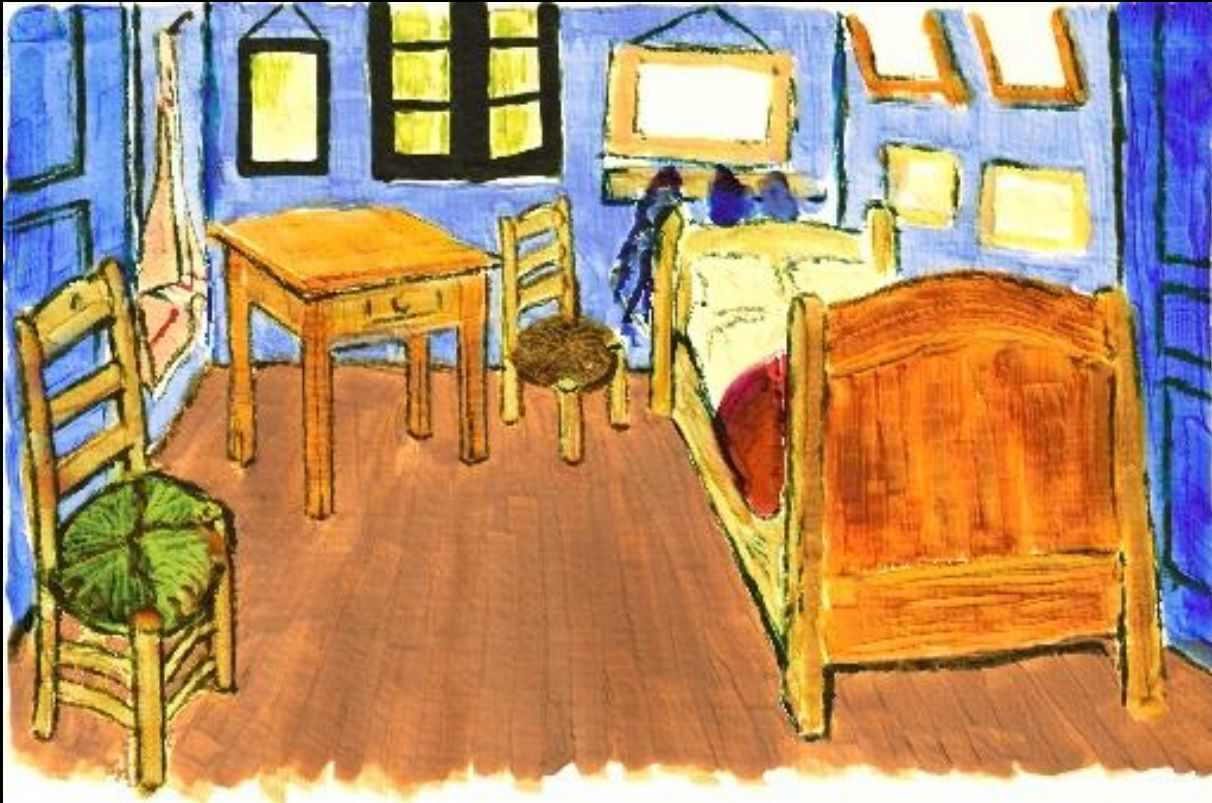
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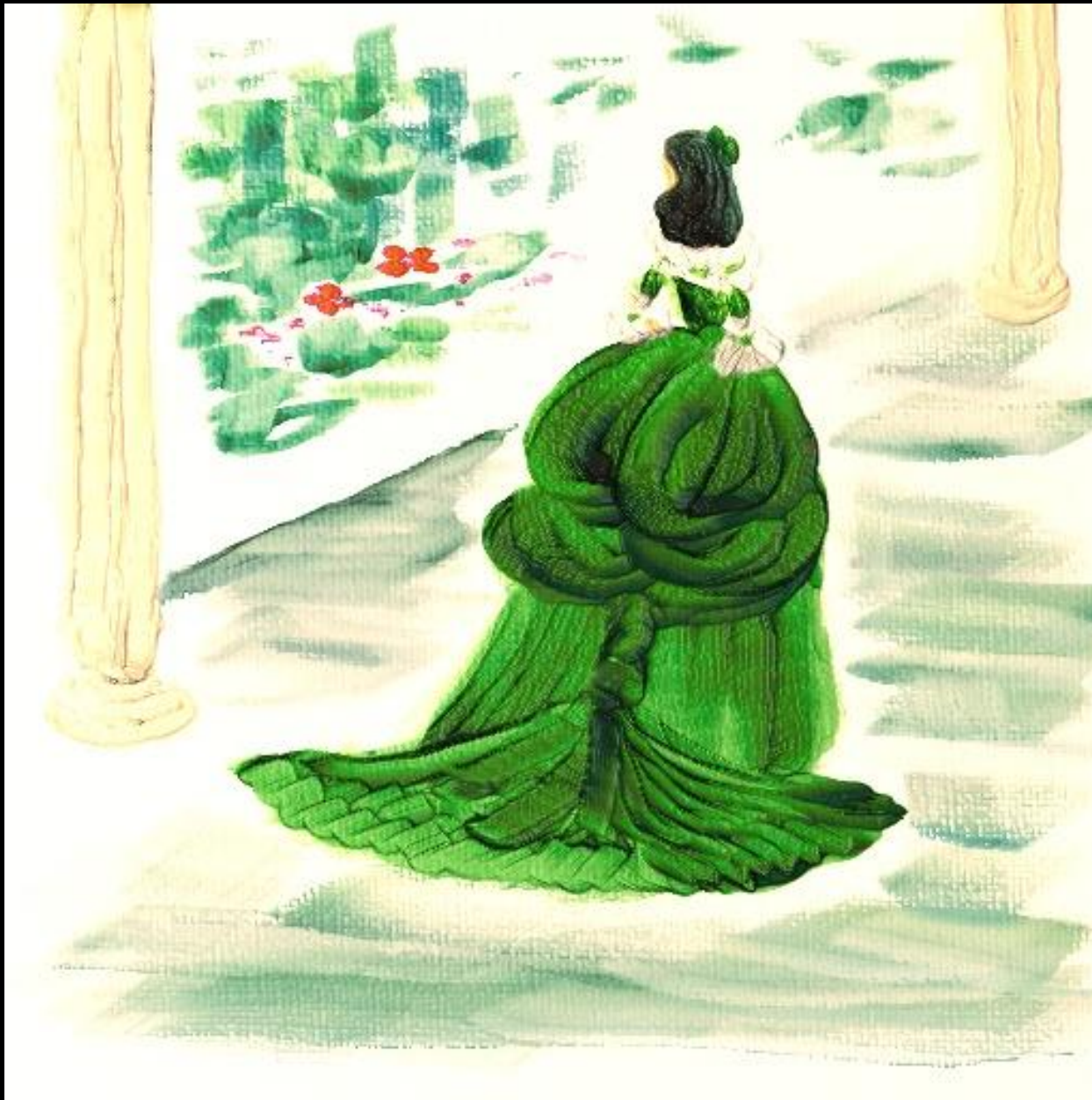
Dame en Blau

Heather Wendt



*Gogh Studios
Room 1*

William Baxter



Green

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