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Making graphics in 4 kilobytes

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4k executable graphics

- Misconception: “4k graphics are not interesting, it’s just a 4k intro without animation and music”. Wrong
 - People expect (or so they should) to see more, better, and nicer images
 - Basically, the responsibility is bigger.
- A big variety of techniques possible
 - Whited raytracing, pathtracing, polygons plus shaders, just polygons, just shaders, cpu rendering, vector graphics, raymarching, voxels, splating, point clouds, fractals algorithms, photoshop strokes capturing, mesh subdivisions...
 - Choose your weapon!
- So, how to approach the challenge of drawing a beautiful image in 4 kilobytes ?

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		procedural			
		compressed			
3D	vectorial or primitives				
					

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"headfunk", by d-lab42, 4th at Breakpoint 2008

- Designed in InkScape
- Exported to SVG and converted to arrays of C data.
- Pixel based drawing:
`fill(x,y,color)`,
`circle(x,y,rad,color)`, etc

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"3 Minutes", by mercuri, 2nd at TUM 2006

- Cubic bezier segments.
- Pixel based drawing:
`fill(x,y,color)`,
`circle(x,y,rad,color)`, etc

gfx.2D.vectorial



“Lunreal”, by mercuri, 6th at Breakpoint 2008

- Cubic bezier segments.
- Pixel based drawing:
`fill(x,y,color)`,
`circle(x,y,rad,color)`, etc
- Several mixed techniques
 - 3d sphere
 - buffer reflections
 - procedural texture

gfx.2D.procedural



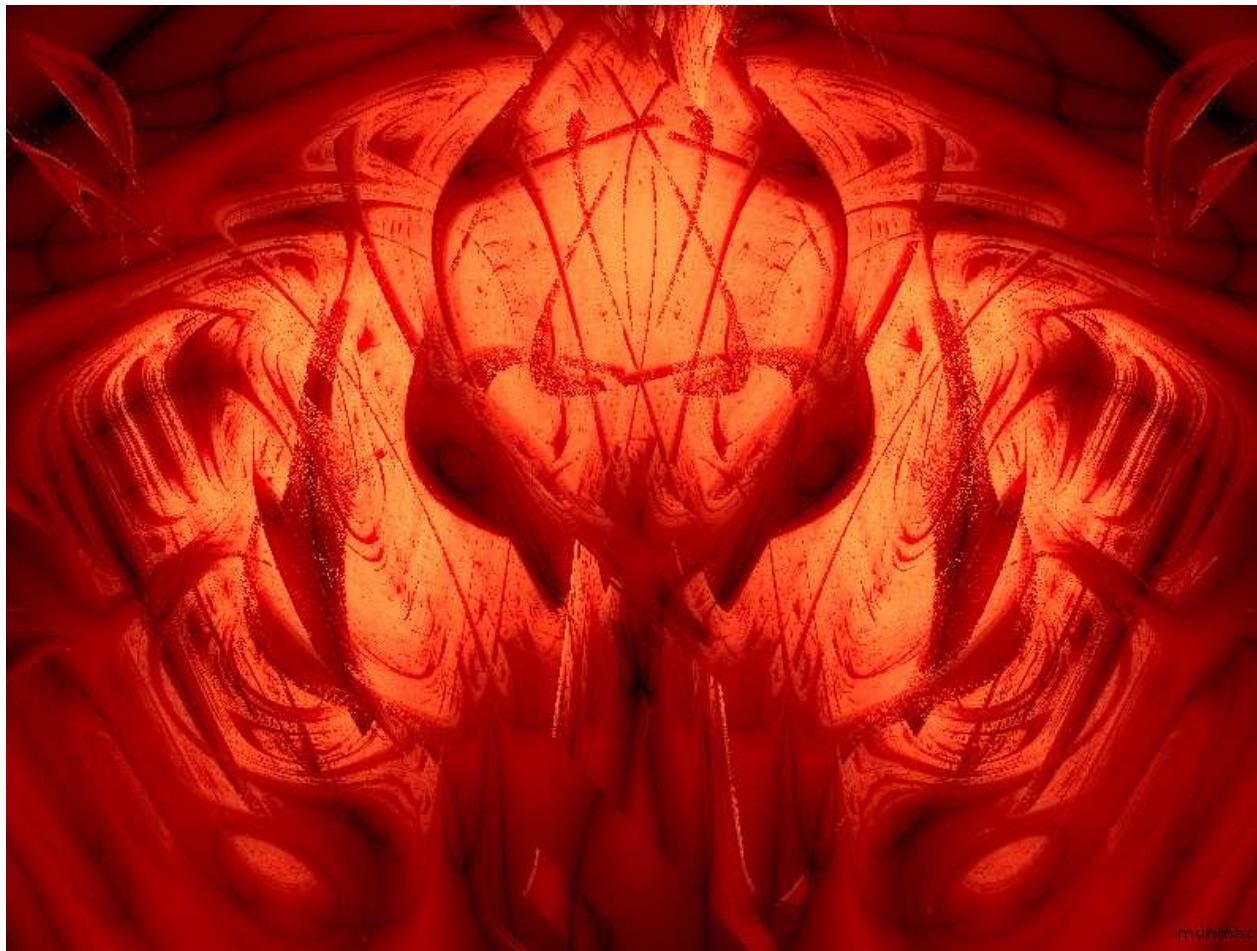
"Lonely Boat", by Digimind, 1st at TUM 2007

- Fully procedural image.
 - Extensive use of perlin noise
 - Coordinates based shadows

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- Lyapunov fractal

“tiphareth”, by Speckdrumm, 1st at TUM 2006

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gfx.2D.compressed



“inslexia”, by rgba, 4th at TUM 2007

- Wavelet image compression
 - Haar basis
 - Varianze based blurring
 - YUV decomposition
- Procedural ornaments (perlin)

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"ixaleno", by rgba, 1st at Breakpoint 2008

- Procedural landscape
 - terrain
 - alien bases
 - road
 - texturing
- Raymarching and raytracing
- Other CG effects
 - light shafts
 - soft shadows
 - atmospheric scattering

gfx.3D.vectorial



- Polygonal mesh, rendered in OpenGL
- Exported from Cinema4D
- Several techniques from 3D CG:
 - Shadows
 - DOF
 - Color distortion
- Procedural terrain

“headfunk”, by Speckdrumm, 3rd at Breakpoint 2008

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“mtbshbw”, by Loonies & TBC, 4th at Buentzli 2006

- Polygonal mesh, rendered in Direct3D
- Typography
- DOF
- Procedural texture

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“elexiane“, by rgba, no competition

- Polygonal mesh
- Compressed
- Subdivided
- Raytraced on the CPU
- Exported from Maya
- Perlin noised skin shader
- Procedural motif

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“der_wald_stirbt”, by Neuro, 1st at Buentzli 2006

- Polygon renderer
- Direct 3D (shaders 2.0)
- Procedural placement of the primitives

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“off the shelf“, by Loonies, 2nd at Breakpoint 2008

- Pathtracing
- Quadratic primitives + CSG
- All in GLSL (shaders 3.0)
- HDR

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Image compression

- Simple Haar wavelet encoding. Idea:
 - Recursively predict pixels based on lower resolution version of the image.
 - Reduce/increase resolution by two each time, store differences
 - Store difference coefficients for each level and position (band), in a different array, in Morton order.
 - Incredibly tiny code for decompressor.

Image compression

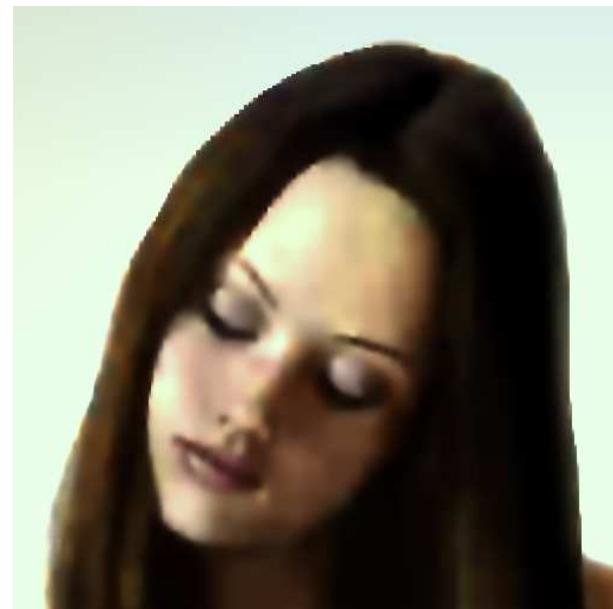
- Problem, high energy coefficient removal introduces big errors. In the case of the Haar basis the errors have block shapes.
- Hack, detect the block and blur them (blur more on areas of big blocks, and keep image edges) : use a variance detector driven gaussian blur.



Decompressed image, lot of artifacts



Variance of the blocky image



After adaptative bluring

Image compression

- Like in JPEG, do not encode RGB. First, decorrelate the three signals (remove common information) by converting to YUV. Y is gray level or luminance, UV are chroma (B-G) and (R-G).
- Subsample UV by 4 in each dimension, nobody will notice.
- UV will be for free. In Inslexia, Y was 1300 bytes, U and V 80 bytes each (so basically compressing color images is as expensive as monochrome images).



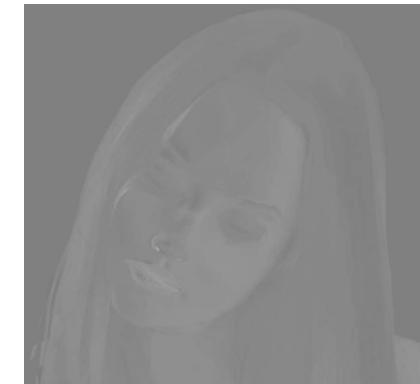
RGB



Y



U



V

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2D Procedural drawing

- The idea is, given the coordinates of a fragment, output a color.
- Fragment coordinates go from 0 to 1,
 - so images are resolution independent.
 - so supersampling or image distortions can be done for free.



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void draw( float *rgb, float x,
           float y )
{
    rgb[0] = x;
    rgb[1] = x;
    rgb[2] = x;
}
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    rgb[1] = y;
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}
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```
void draw( float *rgb, float x,
           float y )
{
    rgb[0] = (x+y)*0.7071f;
    rgb[1] = (x+y)*0.7071f;
    rgb[2] = (x+y)*0.7071f;
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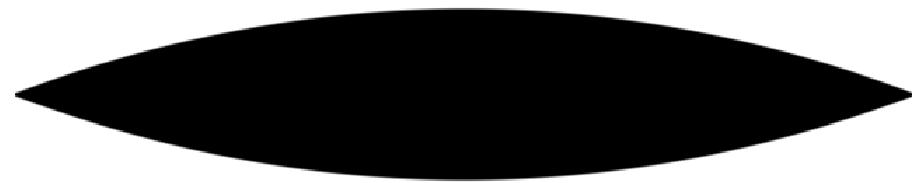
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    float ry = 2.0f*(y - 0.5f);

    float h = x*(1.0f-x);

    float e = fabsf(ry) - h;

    float f = smoothstep( e, 0.0f, 0.01f );

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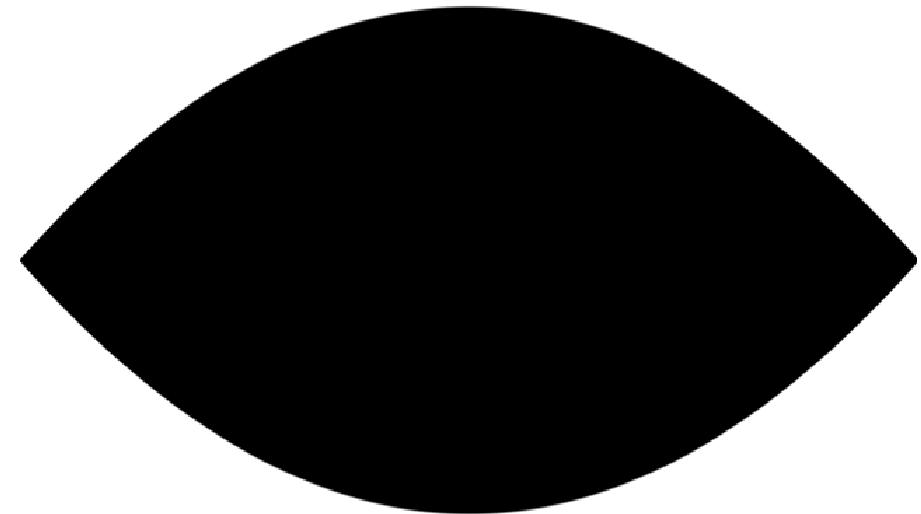
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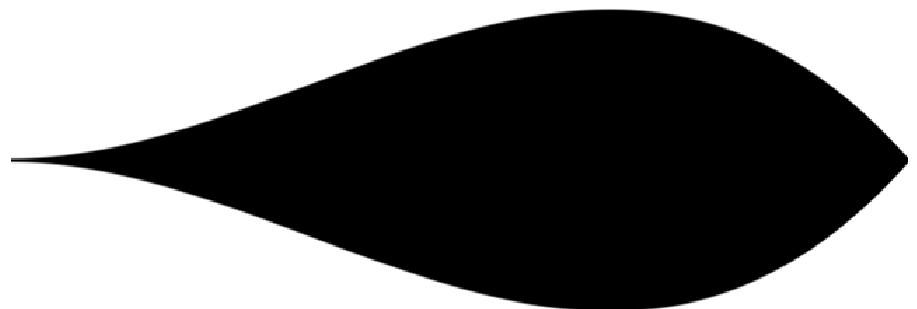
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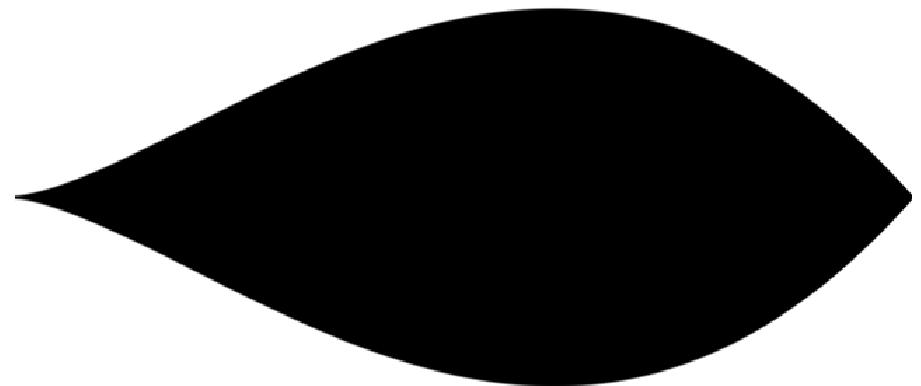
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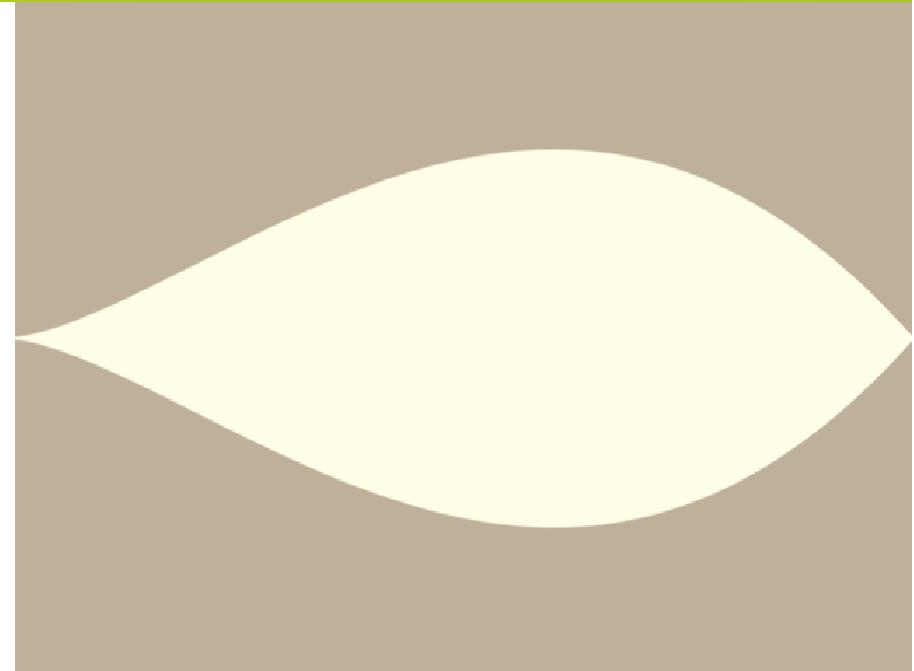
    float e = fabsf(ry) - h;

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    float cPiel[3];
    float cOjo[3];

    eye( cOjo, x, y );
    skin( cPiel, x, y );

    colerp( rgb, f, cOjo, cPiel );
}
```



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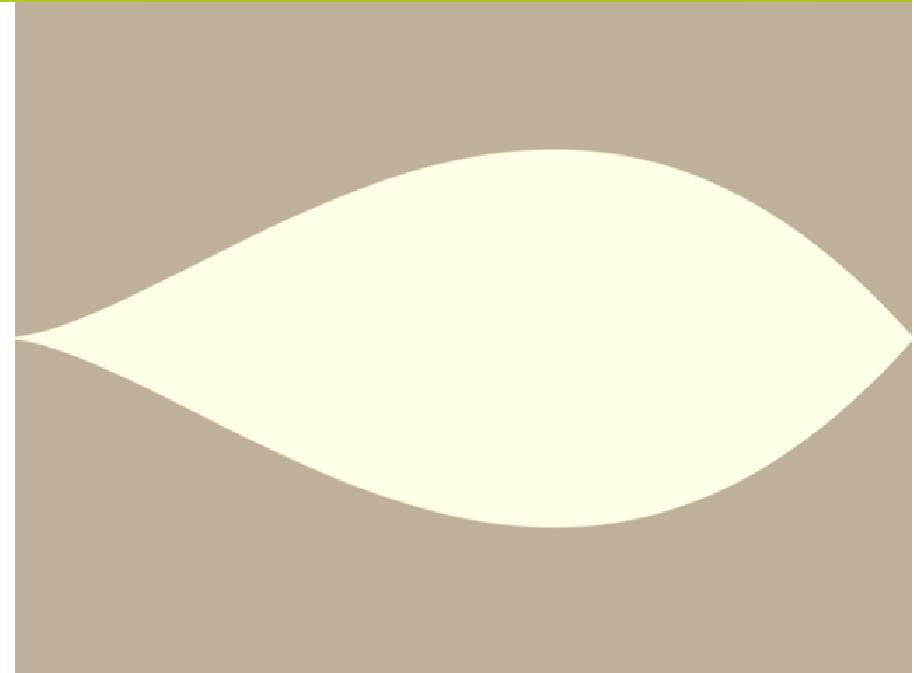
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    float a = atan2f(ry, rx);
    float e = rx*rx + ry*ry;
    float r = sqrtf(e);

    float fue[3] = {1.0f, 1.0f, 1.0f};

    rgb[0] = fue[0];
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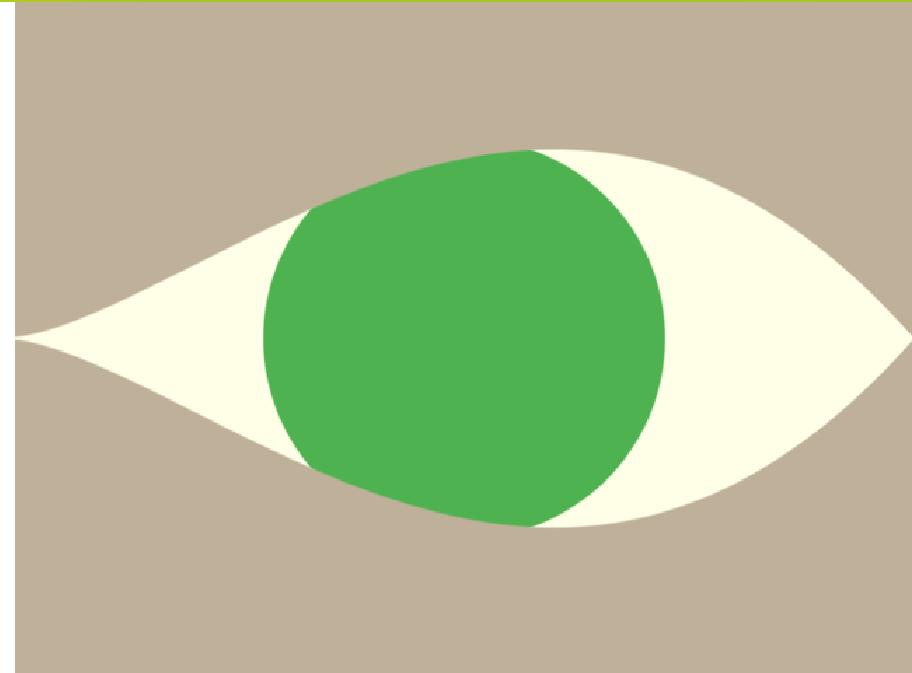
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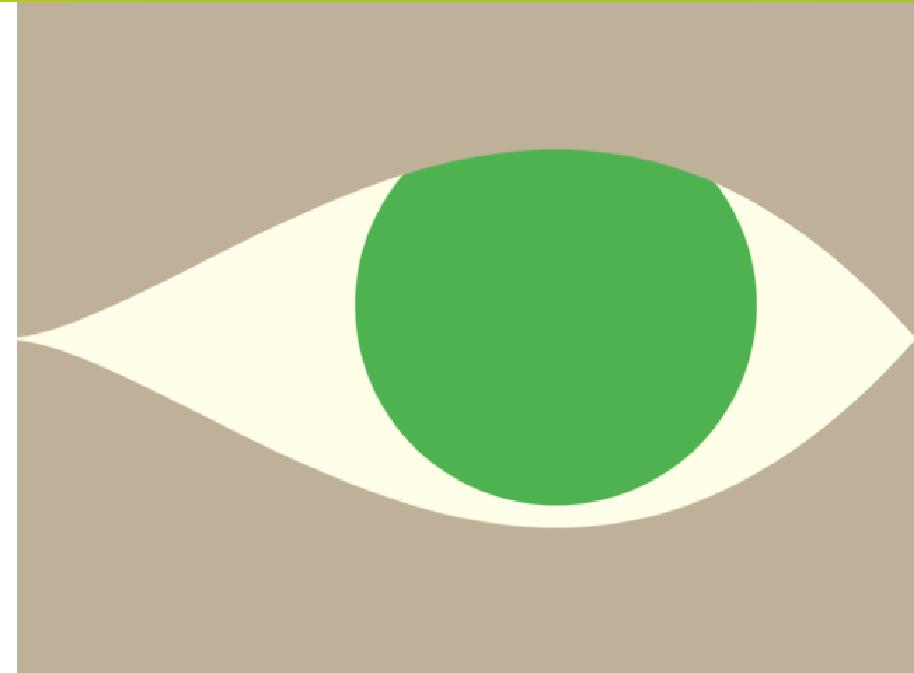
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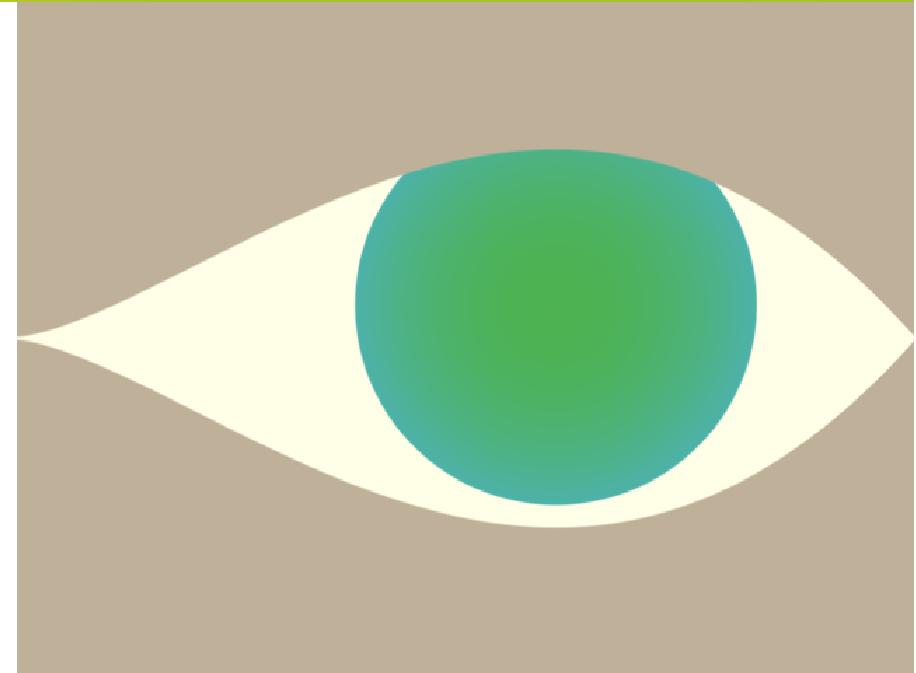
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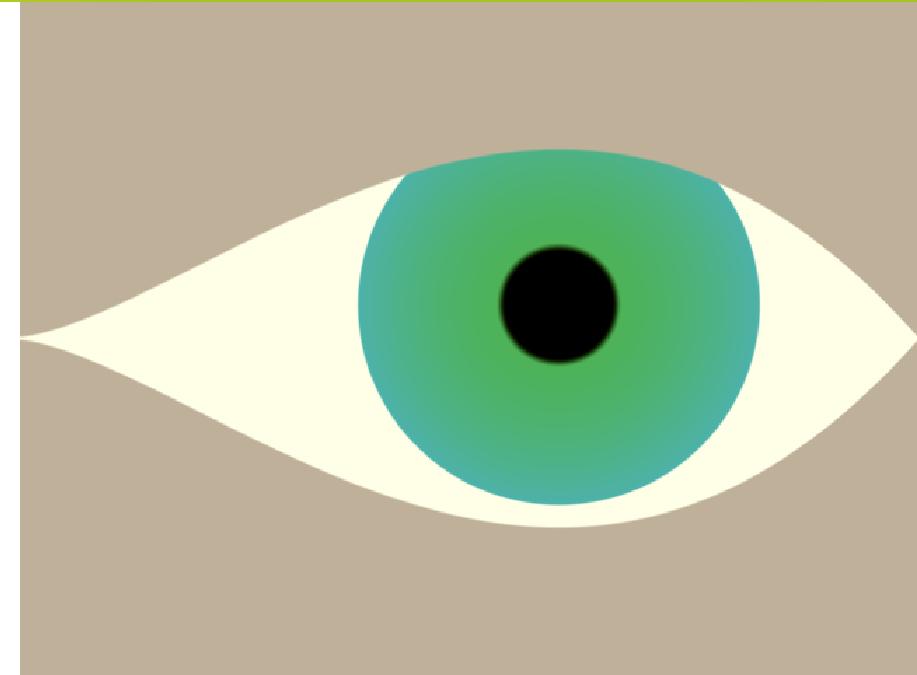
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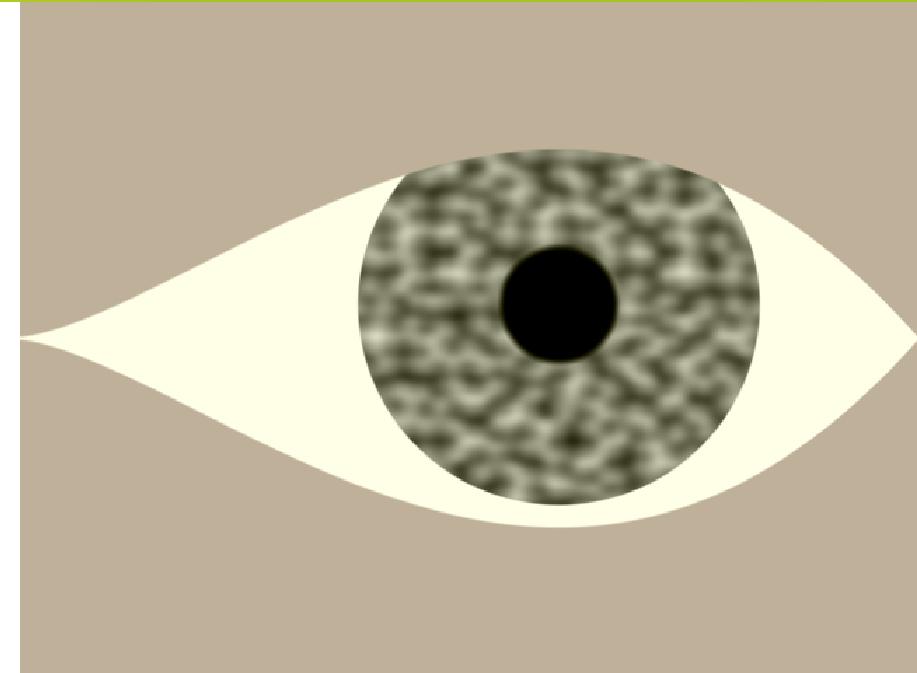
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    float no = 0.5f+0.5f*noise2f(32.0f*x, 32.0f*y, 32, 32);
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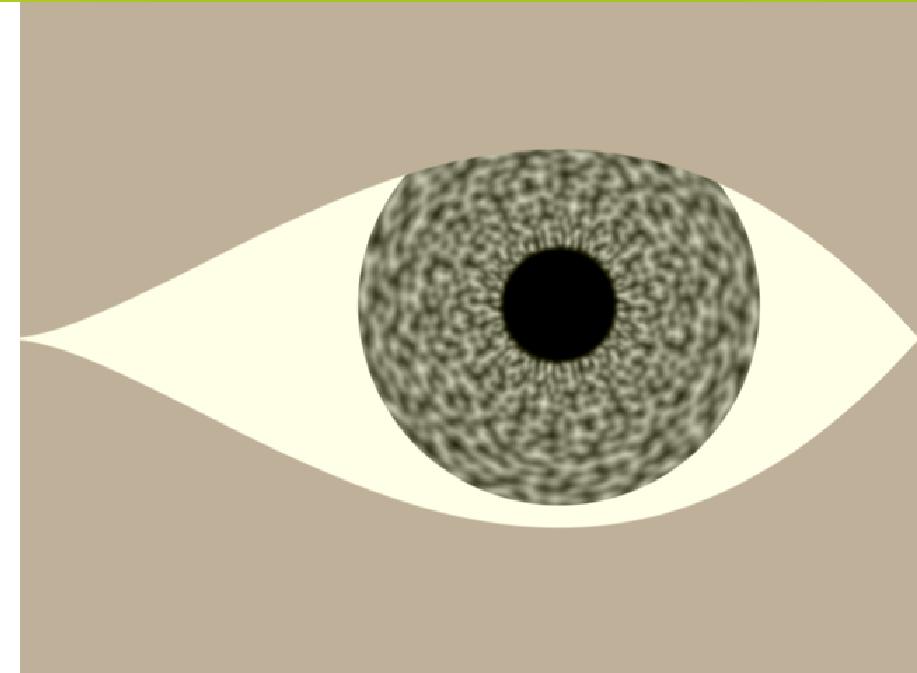
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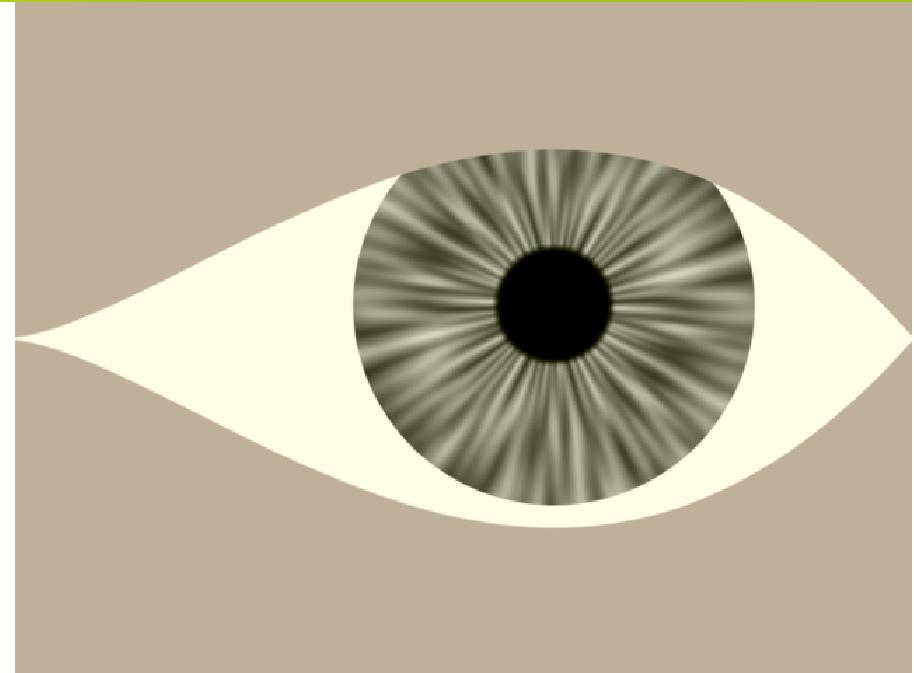
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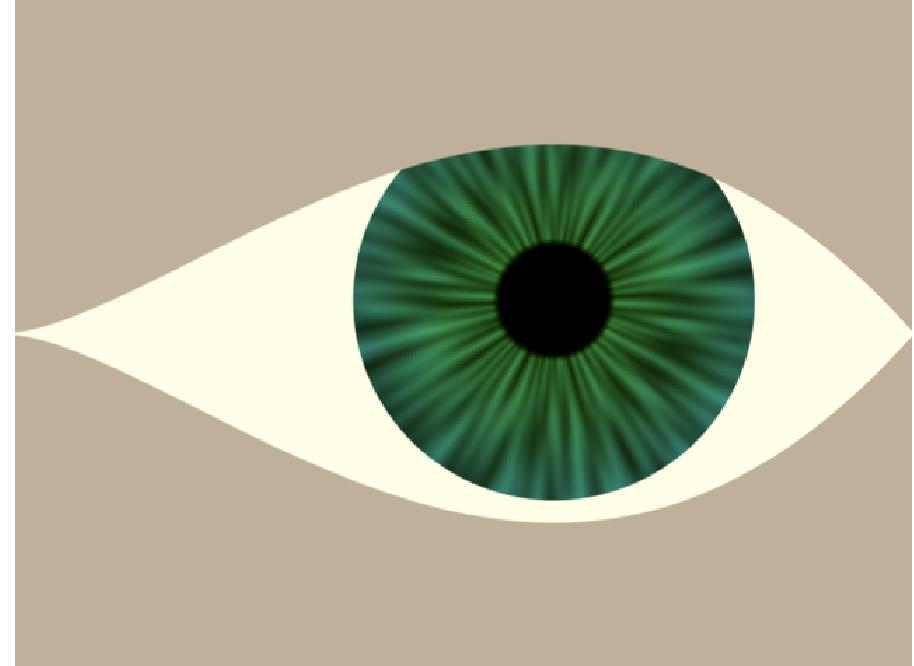
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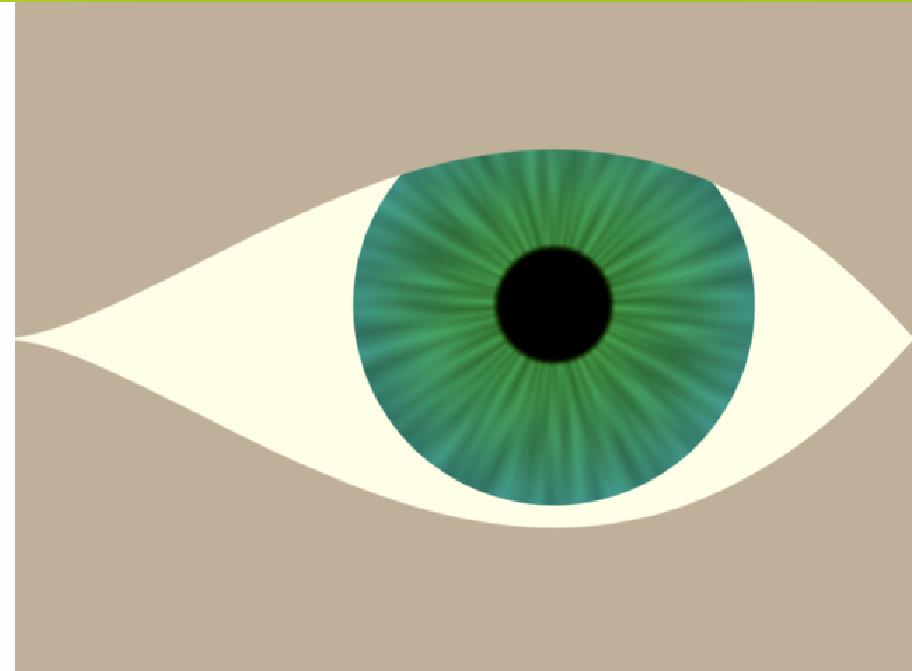
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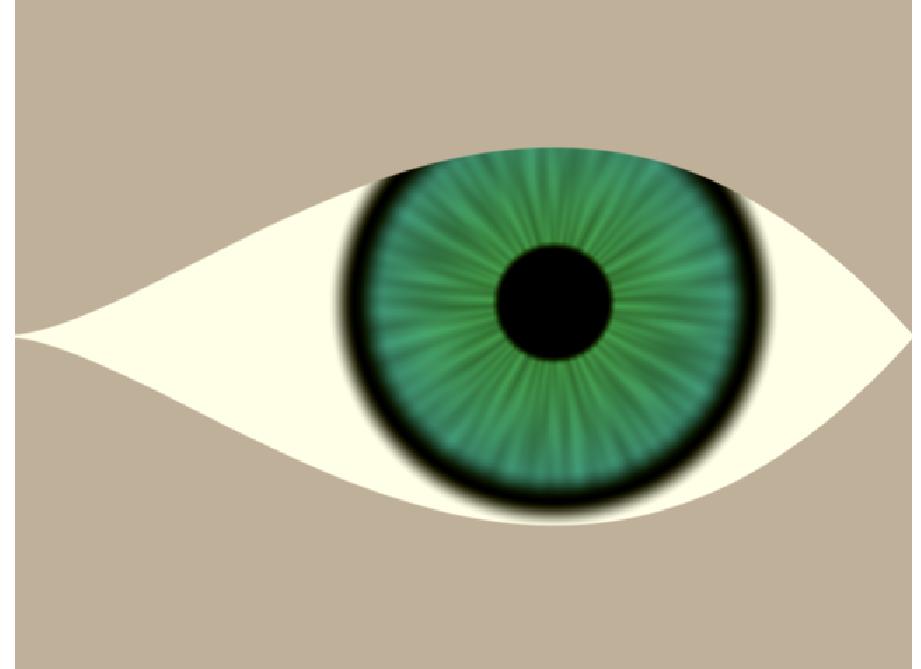
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    // blend in/out
    colerp(rgb, smoothstep(e, 0.35f, 0.36f), den, fue);

    // ring
    float ri=smoothstep(e,.25f,.35f)-smoothstep(e,.35f,.45f);
    ri = 1.0f-ri;
    colsca(rgb, ri);
}
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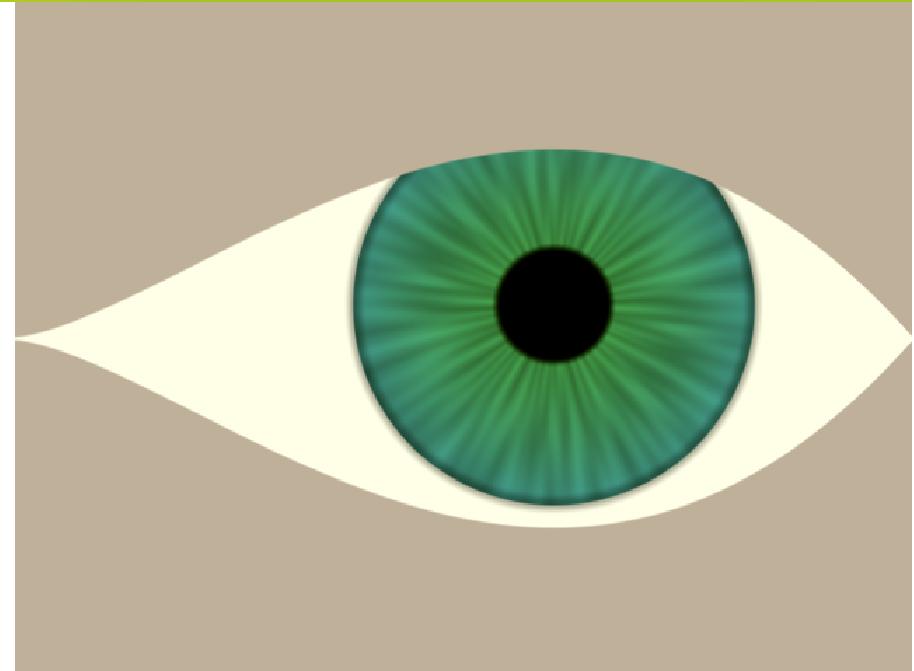
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    float den[3] = {0.3f, 0.7f, 0.4f+e};

    float no = 0.8f+0.2f*noise2f(4.0f*r, 32.0f*a/pi,32,32);
    colsca(den, no);

    float f2 = smoothstep(e, 0.025f, 0.035f);
    colsca(den, f2);

    // blend in/out
    colerp(rgb, smoothstep(e, 0.35f, 0.36f), den, fue);

    // ring
    float ri=smoothstep(e,.31f,.35f)-smoothstep(e,.35f,.39f);
    ri = 1.0f-0.35f*ri;
    colsca(rgb, ri);
}
```



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```
void eye( float *rgb, float x, float y, float b )
{
    y += 0.05f;
    x -= 0.10f;
    float rx = 2.0f*(x-0.5f)*4.0f/3.0f;
    float ry = 2.0f*(y-0.5f);
    float a = atan2f(ry, rx);
    float e = rx*rx + ry*ry;
    float r = sqrtf(e);

    float fue[3] = {1.0f, 1.0f, 1.0f};
    float den[3] = {0.3f, 0.7f, 0.4f+e };

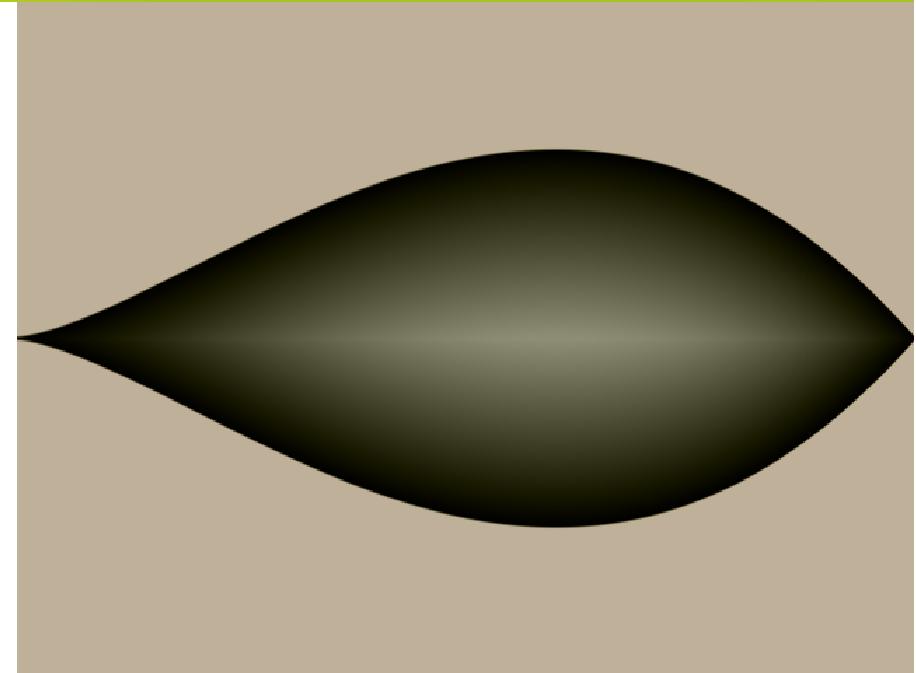
    float no = 0.8f+0.2f*noise2f(4.0f*r, 32.0f*a/pi,32,32);
    colsca(den, no);

    float f2 = smoothstep(e, 0.025f, 0.035f);
    colsca(den, f2);

    // blend in/out
    colerp(rgb, smoothstep(e, 0.35f, 0.36f), den, fue);

    // ring
    float ri=smoothstep(e,.31f,.35f)-smoothstep(e,.35f,.39f);
    ri = 1.0f-0.35f*ri;
    colsca(rgb, ri);

    // shadow
    rgb[0] = -b;
    rgb[1] = -b;
    rgb[2] = -b;
}
```



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```
void eye( float *rgb, float x, float y, float b )
{
    y += 0.05f;
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    float rx = 2.0f*(x-0.5f)*4.0f/3.0f;
    float ry = 2.0f*(y-0.5f);
    float a = atan2f(ry, rx);
    float e = rx*rx + ry*ry;
    float r = sqrtf(e);

    float fue[3] = {1.0f, 1.0f, 1.0f};
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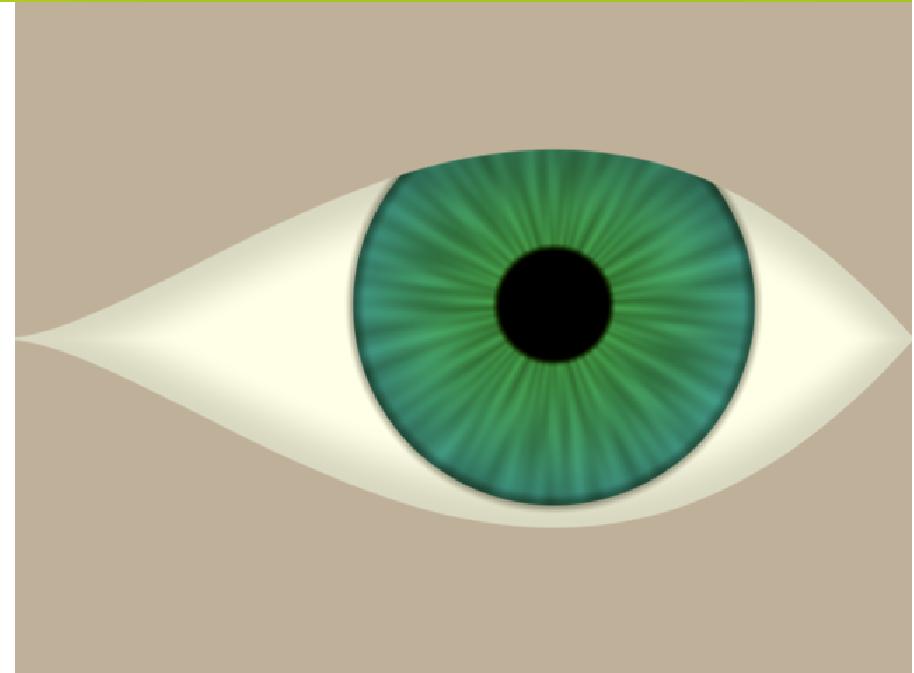
    float no = 0.8f+0.2f*noise2f(4.0f*r, 32.0f*a/pi,32,32);
    colsca(den, no);

    float f2 = smoothstep(e, 0.025f, 0.035f);
    colsca(den, f2);

    // blend in/out
    colerp(rgb, smoothstep(e, 0.35f, 0.36f), den, fue);

    // ring
    float ri=smoothstep(e,.31f,.35f)-smoothstep(e,.35f,.39f);
    ri = 1.0f-0.35f*ri;
    colsca(rgb, ri);

    // shadow
    colsca(rgb, 0.85f+0.15f*smoothstep(-b, 0.0f, 0.2f) );
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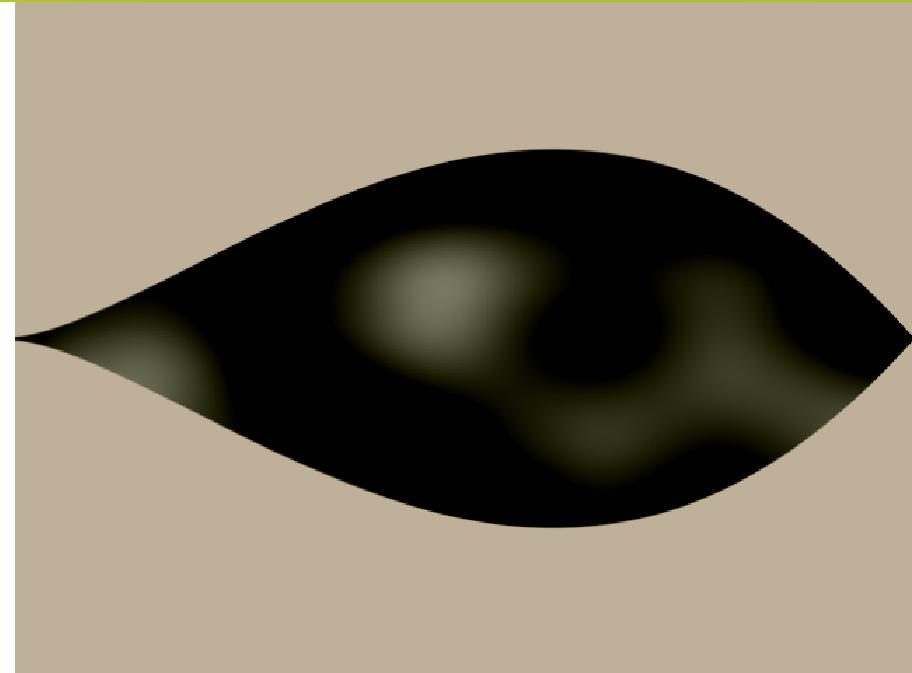
    float f2 = smoothstep(e, 0.025f, 0.035f);
    colsca(den, f2);

    // blend in/out
    colerp(rgb, smoothstep(e, 0.35f, 0.36f), den, fue);

    // ring
    float ri=smoothstep(e,.31f,.35f)-smoothstep(e,.35f,.39f);
    ri = 1.0f-0.35f*ri;
    colsca(rgb, ri);

    // reflecion
    float rl = r;
    float re = noise2f(2.0f+4.0f*rl*cosf(a),
                      4.0f*rl*sinf(a), 256, 256);
    rgb[0] = re;
    rgb[1] = re;
    rgb[2] = re;

    // shadow
    colsca(rgb, 0.85f+0.15f*smoothstep(-b, 0.0f, 0.2f) );
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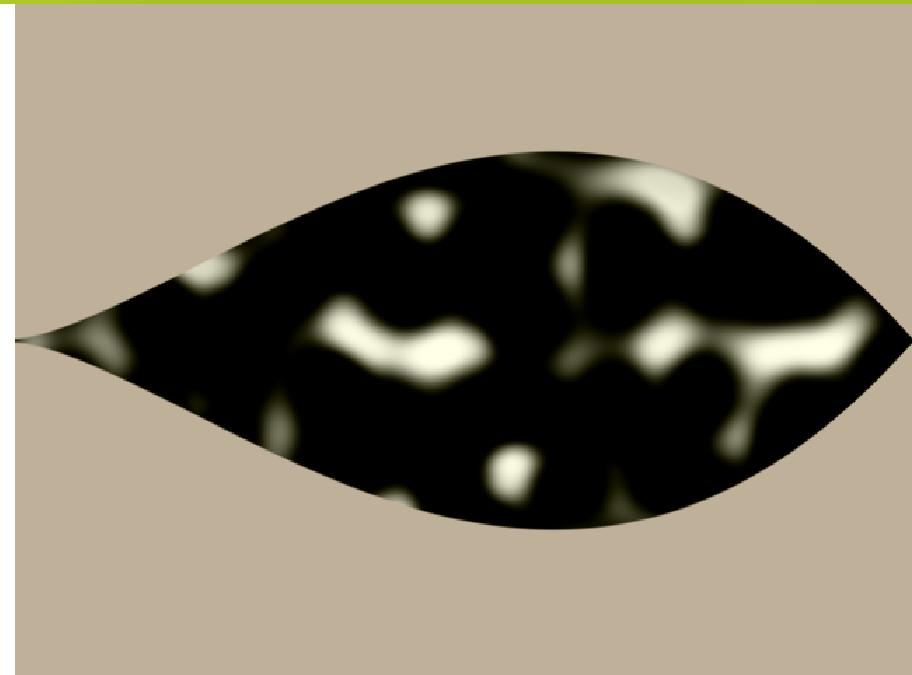
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    colsca(den, f2);

    // blend in/out
    colerp(rgb, smoothstep(e, 0.35f, 0.36f), den, fue);

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    float ri=smoothstep(e,.31f,.35f)-smoothstep(e,.35f,.39f);
    ri = 1.0f-0.35f*ri;
    colsca(rgb, ri);

    // reflecion
    float rl = r;
    float re = noise2f(2.0f+4.0f*rl*cosf(a),
                      4.0f*rl*sinf(a), 256, 256);
    re = smoothstep(re, 0.1f, 0.5f);
    rgb[0] = re;
    rgb[1] = re;
    rgb[2] = re;

    // shadow
    colsca(rgb, 0.85f+0.15f*smoothstep(-b, 0.0f, 0.2f) );
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```



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{
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    colsca(den, no);

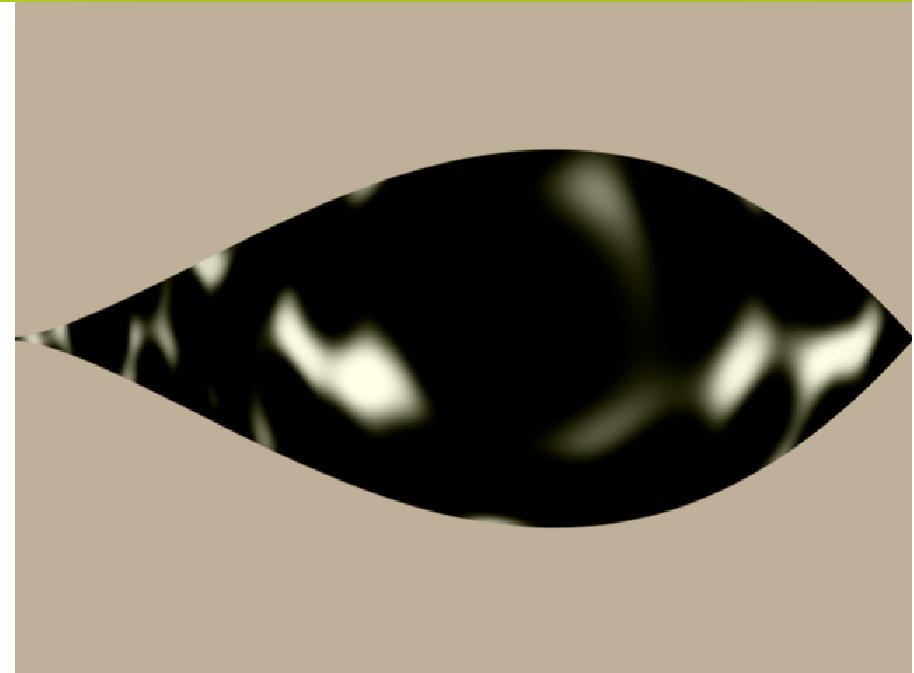
    float f2 = smoothstep(e, 0.025f, 0.035f);
    colsca(den, f2);

    // blend in/out
    colerp(rgb, smoothstep(e, 0.35f, 0.36f), den, fue);

    // ring
    float ri=smoothstep(e,.31f,.35f)-smoothstep(e,.35f,.39f);
    ri = 1.0f-0.35f*ri;
    colsca(rgb, ri);

    // reflecion
    float r2 = r*r;
    float re = noise2f(2.0f+4.0f*r2*cosf(a),
                      4.0f*r2*sinf(a), 256, 256);
    re = smoothstep(re, 0.1f, 0.5f);
    rgb[0] = re;
    rgb[1] = re;
    rgb[2] = re;

    // shadow
    colsca(rgb, 0.85f+0.15f*smoothstep(-b, 0.0f, 0.2f) );
}
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{
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    float a = atan2f(ry, rx);
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    float no = 0.8f+0.2f*noise2f(4.0f*r, 32.0f*a/pi,32,32);
    colsca(den, no);

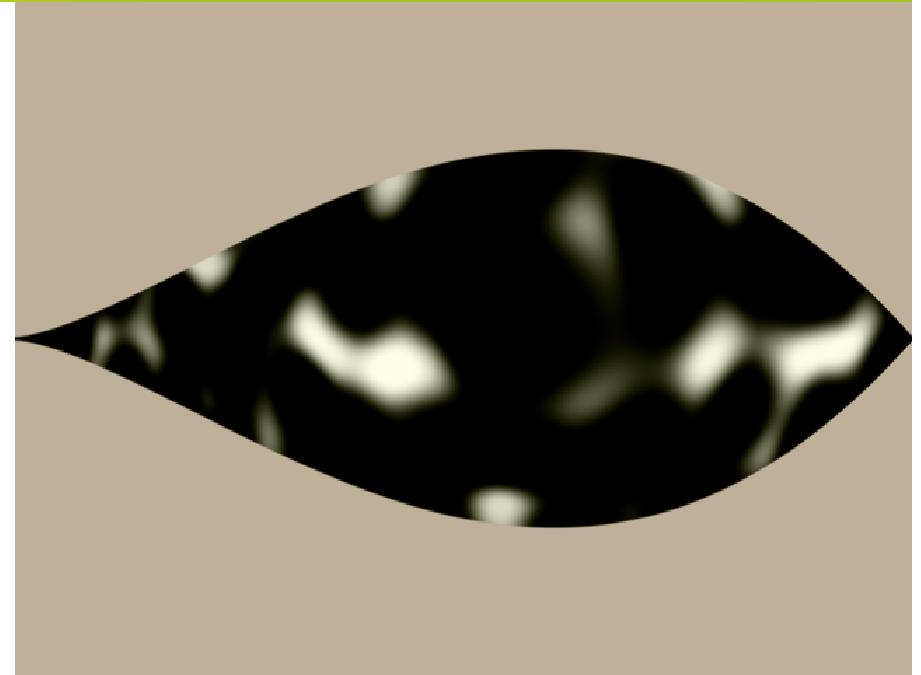
    float f2 = smoothstep(e, 0.025f, 0.035f);
    colsca(den, f2);

    // blend in/out
    colerp(rgb, smoothstep(e, 0.35f, 0.36f), den, fue);

    // ring
    float ri=smoothstep(e,.31f,.35f)-smoothstep(e,.35f,.39f);
    ri = 1.0f-0.35f*ri;
    colsca(rgb, ri);

    // reflecion
    float r3 = sqrtf(r*r*r);
    float re = noise2f(2.0f+4.0f*r3*cosf(a),
                      4.0f*r3*sinf(a), 256, 256);
    re = smoothstep(re, 0.1f, 0.5f);
    rgb[0] = re;
    rgb[1] = re;
    rgb[2] = re;

    // shadow
    colsca(rgb, 0.85f+0.15f*smoothstep(-b, 0.0f, 0.2f) );
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```



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{
    y += 0.05f;
    x -= 0.10f;
    float rx = 2.0f*(x-0.5f)*4.0f/3.0f;
    float ry = 2.0f*(y-0.5f);
    float a = atan2f(ry, rx);
    float e = rx*rx + ry*ry;
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    float fue[3] = {1.0f, 1.0f, 1.0f};
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    float no = 0.8f+0.2f*noise2f(4.0f*r, 32.0f*a/pi,32,32);
    colsca(den, no);

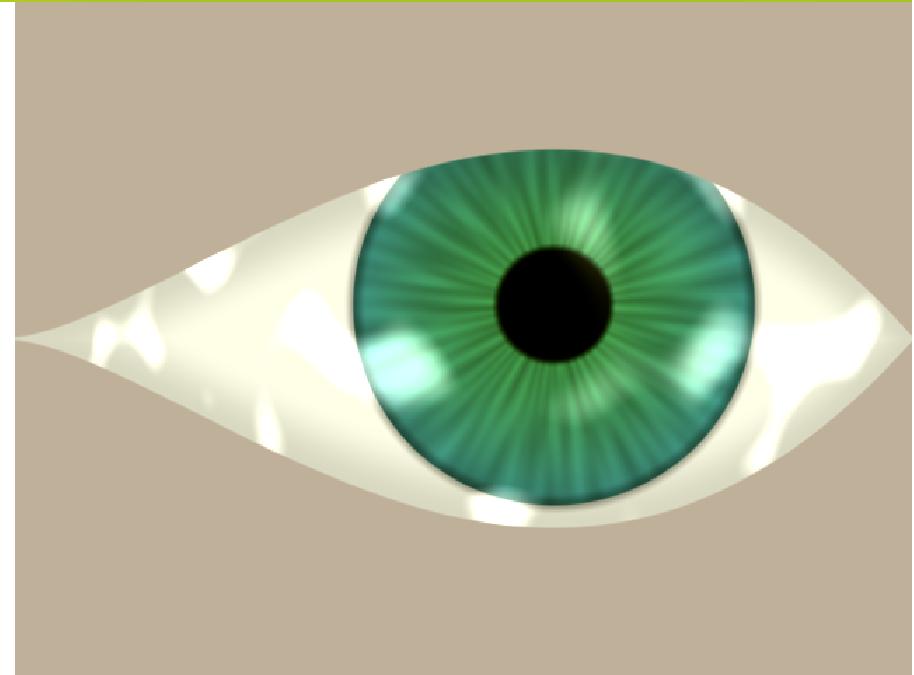
    float f2 = smoothstep(e, 0.025f, 0.035f);
    colsca(den, f2);

    // blend in/out
    colerp(rgb, smoothstep(e, 0.35f, 0.36f), den, fue);

    // ring
    float ri=smoothstep(e,.31f,.35f)-smoothstep(e,.35f,.39f);
    ri = 1.0f-0.35f*ri;
    colsca(rgb, ri);

    // reflecion
    float r3 = sqrtf(r*r*r);
    float re = noise2f(2.0f+4.0f*r3*cosf(a),
                       4.0f*r3*sinf(a), 256, 256);
    re = 0.6f*smoothstep(re, 0.1f, 0.5f);
    rgb[0] += re;
    rgb[1] += re;
    rgb[2] += re;

    // shadow
    colsca(rgb, 0.85f+0.15f*smoothstep(-b, 0.0f, 0.2f) );
}
```



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{
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    float rx = 2.0f*(x-0.5f)*4.0f/3.0f;
    float ry = 2.0f*(y-0.5f);
    float a = atan2f(ry, rx);
    float e = rx*rx + ry*ry;
    float r = sqrtf(e);

    float fue[3] = {1.0f, 1.0f, 1.0f};
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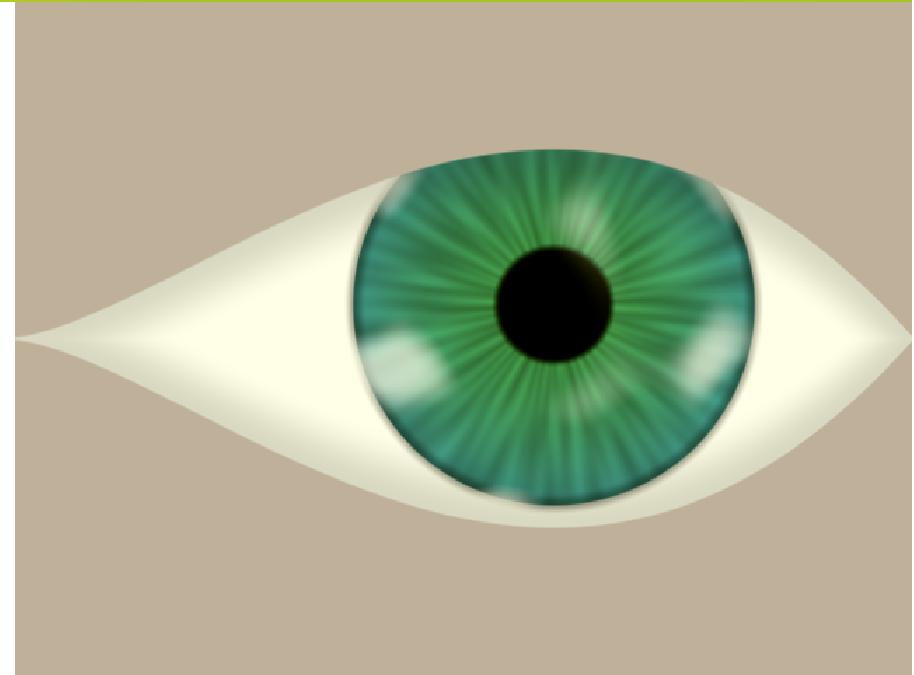
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    colsca(den, f2);

    // blend in/out
    colerp(rgb, smoothstep(e, 0.35f, 0.36f), den, fue);

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    float ri=smoothstep(e,.31f,.35f)-smoothstep(e,.35f,.39f);
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    colsca(rgb, ri);

    // reflecion
    float r3 = sqrtf(r*r*r);
    float re = noise2f(2.0f+4.0f*r3*cosf(a),
                      4.0f*r3*sinf(a), 256, 256);
    re = 0.8f*smoothstep(re, 0.1f, 0.5f);
    rgb[0] += re*(1.0f-rgb[0]);
    rgb[1] += re*(1.0f-rgb[1]);
    rgb[2] += re*(1.0f-rgb[2]);

    // shadow
    colsca(rgb, 0.85f+0.15f*smoothstep(-b, 0.0f, 0.2f) );
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```
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{
    x -= 0.10f; y += 0.05f;
    float rx = 2.0f*(x-0.5f)*4.0f/3.0f;
    float ry = 2.0f*(y-0.5f);
    float a = atan2f(ry, rx);
    float e = rx*rx + ry*ry;
    float r = sqrtf(e);

    float fue[3] = {1.0f, 1.0f, 1.0f};
    // blood
    float ven = noise2f(24.0f*x, 24.0f*y, 256, 256);
    fue[0] = ven;
    fue[1] = ven;
    fue[2] = ven;

    float den[3] = {0.3f, 0.7f, 0.4f+e};
    float no = 0.8f+0.2f*noise2f(4.0f*r, 32.0f*a/pi, 32, 32);
    colsca(den, no);

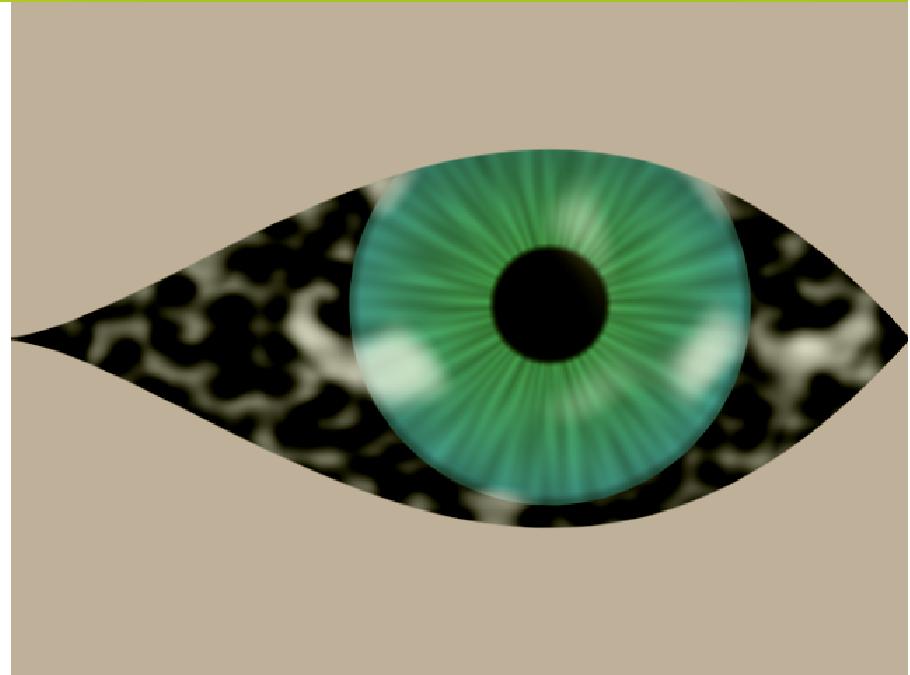
    float f2 = smoothstep(e, 0.025f, 0.035f);
    colsca(den, f2);

    // blend in/out
    colerp(rgb, smoothstep(e, 0.35f, 0.36f), den, fue);

    // ring
    float ri=smoothstep(e,.31f,.35f)-smoothstep(e,.35f,.39f);
    ri = 1.0f-0.35f*ri;
    colsca(rgb, ri);

    // reflecion
    float r3 = sqrtf(r*r*r);
    float re = noise2f(2.0f+4.0f*r3*cosf(a),
                      4.0f*r3*sinf(a), 256, 256);
    re = 0.8f*smoothstep(re, 0.1f, 0.5f);
    rgb[0] += re*(1.0f-rgb[0]);
    rgb[1] += re*(1.0f-rgb[1]);
    rgb[2] += re*(1.0f-rgb[2]);

    // shadow
    colsca(rgb, 0.85f+0.15f*smoothstep(-b, 0.0f, 0.2f) );
}
```



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{
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    float ry = 2.0f*(y-0.5f);
    float a = atan2f(ry, rx);
    float e = rx*rx + ry*ry;
    float r = sqrtf(e);

    float fue[3] = {1.0f, 1.0f, 1.0f};
    // blood
    float ven = noise2f(24.0f*x, 24.0f*y, 256, 256);
    ven = smoothstep(ven,-.2f,.0f)-smoothstep(ven,.0f,.2f);
    fue[0] = ven;
    fue[1] = ven;
    fue[2] = ven;

    float den[3] = {0.3f, 0.7f, 0.4f+e};
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    colsca(den, no);

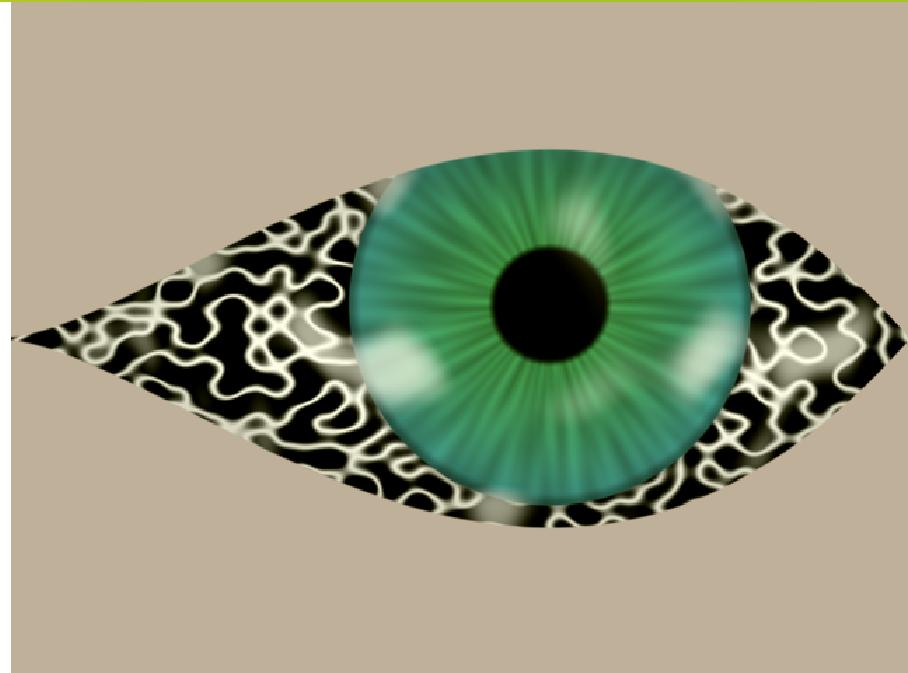
    float f2 = smoothstep(e, 0.025f, 0.035f);
    colsca(den, f2);

    // blend in/out
    collerp(rgb, smoothstep(e, 0.35f, 0.36f), den, fue);

    // ring
    float ri=smoothstep(e,.31f,.35f)-smoothstep(e,.35f,.39f);
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    float r3 = sqrtf(r*r*r);
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    rgb[0] += re*(1.0f-rgb[0]);
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    // shadow
    colsca(rgb, 0.85f+0.15f*smoothstep(-b, 0.0f, 0.2f) );
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    float a = atan2f(ry, rx);
    float e = rx*rx + ry*ry;
    float r = sqrtf(e);

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    // blood
    float ven = noise2f(24.0f*x, 24.0f*y, 256, 256);
    ven = smoothstep(ven,-.2f,.0f)-smoothstep(ven,.0f,.2f);
    fue[0] = fue[0] + 0.04f - 0.00f*ven;
    fue[1] = fue[1] + 0.04f - 0.05f*ven;
    fue[2] = fue[2] + 0.04f - 0.05f*ven;

    float den[3] = {0.3f, 0.7f, 0.4f+e};
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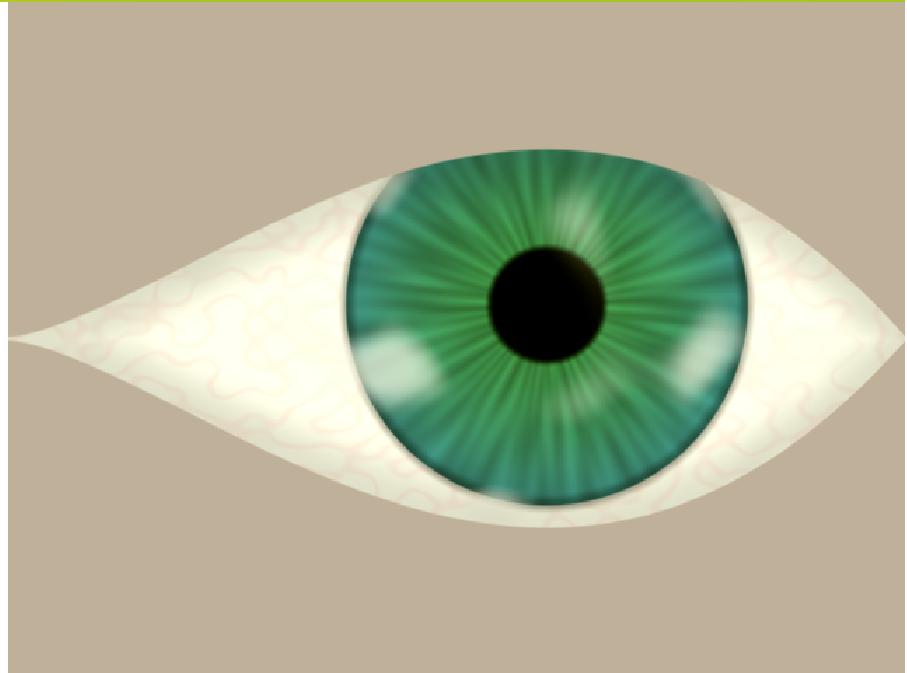
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    rgb[0] += re*(1.0f-rgb[0]);
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    // blood
    float ven = noise2f(24.0f*x, 24.0f*y, 256, 256);
    ven = smoothstep(ven,-.2f,.0f)-smoothstep(ven,.0f,.2f);
    ven += x;
    fue[0] = fue[0] + 0.04f - 0.00f*ven;
    fue[1] = fue[1] + 0.04f - 0.05f*ven;
    fue[2] = fue[2] + 0.04f - 0.05f*ven;

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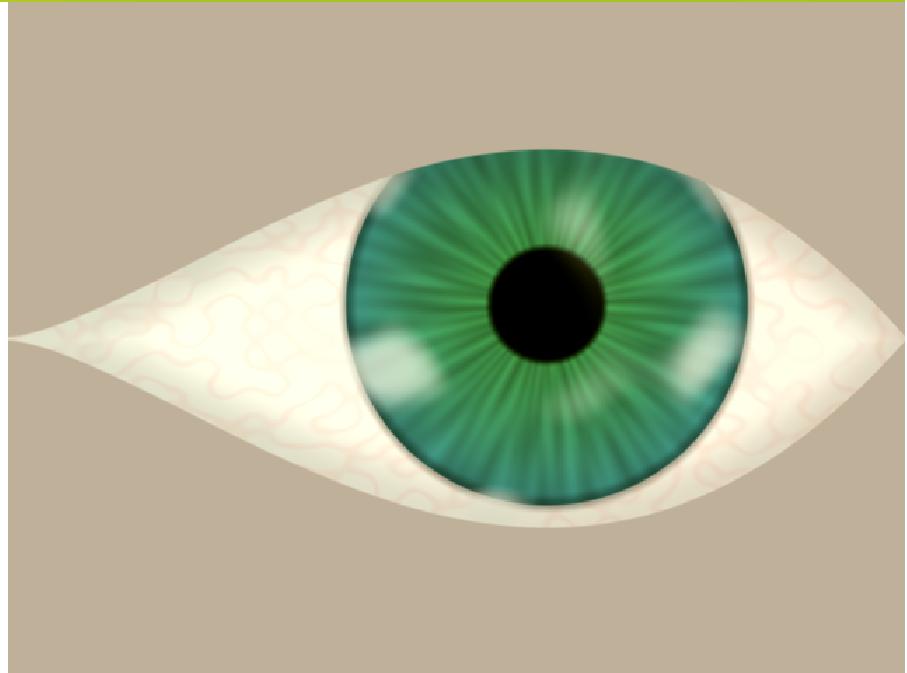
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    // blend in/out
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                      4.0f*r3*sinf(a), 256, 256);
    re = 0.8f*smoothstep(re, 0.1f, 0.5f);
    rgb[0] += re*(1.0f-rgb[0]);
    rgb[1] += re*(1.0f-rgb[1]);
    rgb[2] += re*(1.0f-rgb[2]);

    // shadow
    colsca(rgb, 0.85f+0.15f*smoothstep(-b, 0.0f, 0.2f) );
}
```



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```
void eye( float *rgb, float x, float y, float b )
{
    x -= 0.10f; y += 0.05f;
    float rx = 2.0f*(x-0.5f)*4.0f/3.0f;
    float ry = 2.0f*(y-0.5f);
    float a = atan2f(ry, rx);
    float e = rx*rx + ry*ry;
    float r = sqrtf(e);

    float fue[3] = {1.0f, 1.0f, 1.0f};
    // blood
    float ven = noise2f(24.0f*x, 24.0f*y, 256, 256);
    ven = smoothstep(ven,-.2f,.0f)-smoothstep(ven,.0f,.2f);
    ven += x + x*x*x*x*x*x*7.0f;
    fue[0] = fue[0] + 0.04f - 0.00f*ven;
    fue[1] = fue[1] + 0.04f - 0.05f*ven;
    fue[2] = fue[2] + 0.04f - 0.05f*ven;

    float den[3] = {0.3f, 0.7f, 0.4f+e};
    float no = 0.8f+0.2f*noise2f(4.0f*r, 32.0f*a/pi,32,32);
    colsca(den, no);

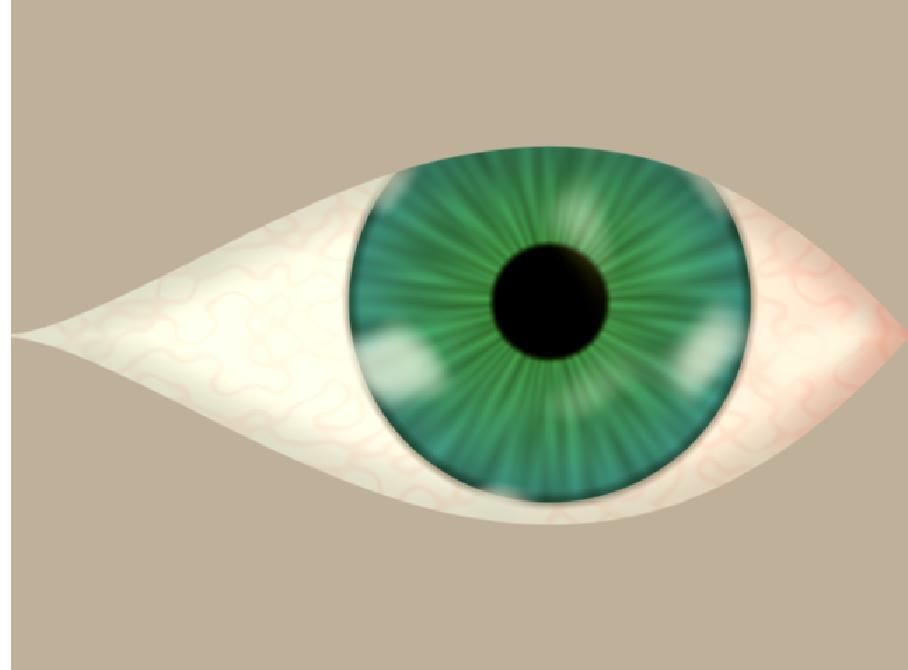
    float f2 = smoothstep(e, 0.025f, 0.035f);
    colsca(den, f2);

    // blend in/out
    colerp(rgb, smoothstep(e, 0.35f, 0.36f), den, fue);

    // ring
    float ri=smoothstep(e,.31f,.35f)-smoothstep(e,.35f,.39f);
    ri = 1.0f-0.35f*ri;
    colsca(rgb, ri);

    // reflecion
    float r3 = sqrtf(r*r*r);
    float re = noise2f(2.0f+4.0f*r3*cosf(a),
                      4.0f*r3*sinf(a), 256, 256);
    re = 0.8f*smoothstep(re, 0.1f, 0.5f);
    rgb[0] += re*(1.0f-rgb[0]);
    rgb[1] += re*(1.0f-rgb[1]);
    rgb[2] += re*(1.0f-rgb[2]);

    // shadow
    colsca(rgb, 0.85f+0.15f*smoothstep(-b, 0.0f, 0.2f) );
}
```



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```
void skin( float *rgb, float x, float y )
{
    float rx = 2.0f*(x - 0.5f)*1.33f;
    float ry = 2.0f*(y - 0.5f);

    float carne[3] = { 0.75f, 0.69f, 0.6f };

    float cel = 0.95f+0.05f*noise2f(64.0f*x, 64.0f*y, 256, 256);
    col_sca( carne, cel );
    carne[0] += 0.03f*rx;
    carne[1] += 0.03f*ry;
    col_sca( carne, y*0.1f+0.9f );

    float bri = noise2f( 128.0f*x, 128.0f*y, 256, 256 );
    bri = 0.2f+0.8f*smoothstep( bri, 0.0f, 0.3f );
    col_finc( carne, bri*0.08f*y );

    float san = 0.50f*noise2f(16.0f*x, 16.0f*y, 256, 256);
    san += 0.25f*noise2f(32.0f*x, 32.0f*y, 256, 256);
    carne[1] *= 1.0f-0.1f*san;

    float osc = 0.500f*noise2f(12.0f*x, 12.0f*y, 256, 256);
    osc += 0.250f*noise2f(24.0f*x, 24.0f*y, 256, 256);
    osc += 0.125f*noise2f(48.0f*x, 48.0f*y, 256, 256);
    col_sca( carne, 0.9f+0.1f*osc );

    carne[0] += 0.08f*x;
    carne[1] += 0.01f;

    float pecas = noise2f(32.0f*x, 32.0f*y, 256, 256);
    pecas = smoothstep( pecas, 0.48f, 0.6f );
    carne[0] *= 1.0f-0.15f*pecas;
    carne[1] *= 1.0f-0.17f*pecas;
    carne[2] *= 1.0f-0.17f*pecas;

    col_finc( carne, 0.14f );

    rgb[0] = carne[0]*1.25f+0.3f;
    rgb[1] = carne[1]*1.22f+0.3f;
    rgb[2] = carne[2]*1.20f+0.3f;
}
```



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2.5D procedural drawing

- Drawing in 2.5D (a heightmap) is basically the same as drawing in 2D, just easier.
- You can implement a raymarcher (like in the old voxel engines) to transform the heightmap into an image.
- In 2.5D it's easier to get closer to photorealism (if you are interested in it), cause
 - You don't have to draw the shading, it is computed automatically by the usual illumination models (lambert, shadows, scattering, etc).
 - You don't have to fake perspective.

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```
float map(float x, float z )  
{  
    return -1.2f;  
}
```

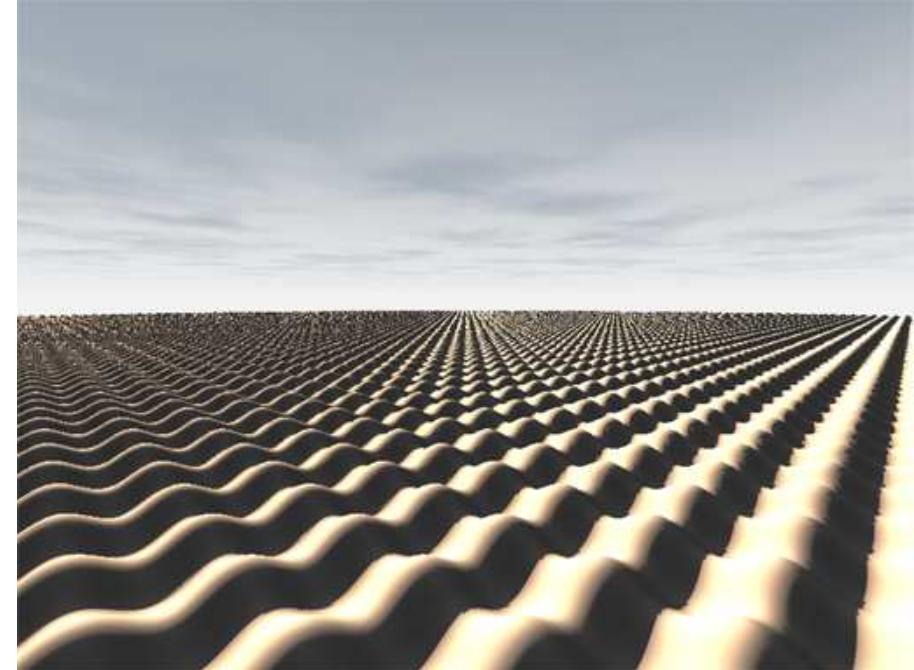


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```
float map(float x, float z )  
{  
    return -1.2f + 0.1f*sinf(10.0f*x)*cosf(10.0f*z);  
}
```

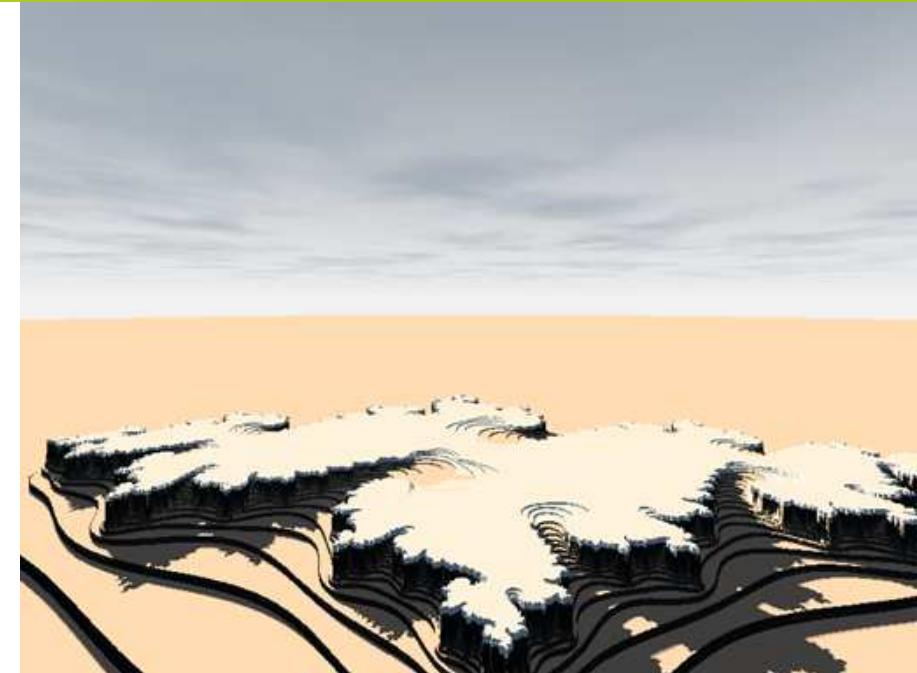


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```
float map(float x, float z )
{
    int i;
    z -= 1.5f;
    for( i=0; i<20; i++ )
    {
        float nx = x*x-z*z - 0.745f;
        float nz = 2.0f*x*z + 0.186f;
        if( nx*nx+nz*nz>4.0f ) break;
        x = nx;
        z = nz;
    }
    return -1.2f + sqrtf(sqrtf(sqrtf(i*0.001f)));
}
```

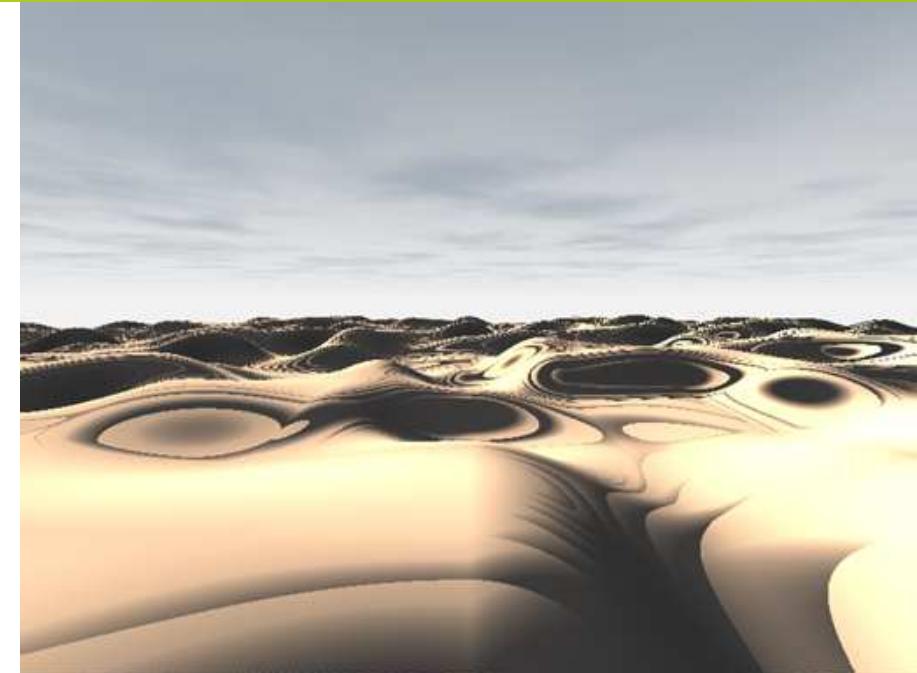


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float map(float x, float z )  
{  
    float f;  
    f = 0.500000f*noise2f( 1.0f*x, 1.0f*z);  
    f = 0.5f+0.5f*f;  
    f = f*f*(3.0f-2.0f*f);  
    f = f*f*(3.0f-2.0f*f);  
    f = -2.5f + 1.5f*f;  
    return f;  
}
```

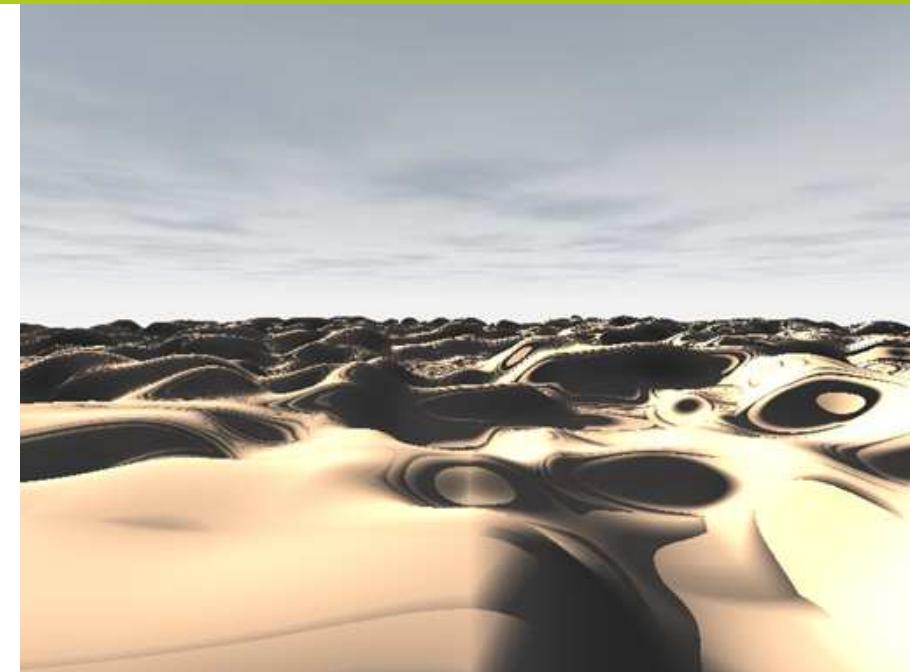


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float map(float x, float z )
{
    float f;
    f = 0.500000f*noise2f( 1.0f*x, 1.0f*z);
    f += 0.250000f*noise2f( 2.0f*x, 2.0f*z);
    f = 0.5f+0.5f*f;
    f = f*f*(3.0f-2.0f*f);
    f = f*f*(3.0f-2.0f*f);
    f = -2.5f + 1.5f*f;
    return f;
}
```

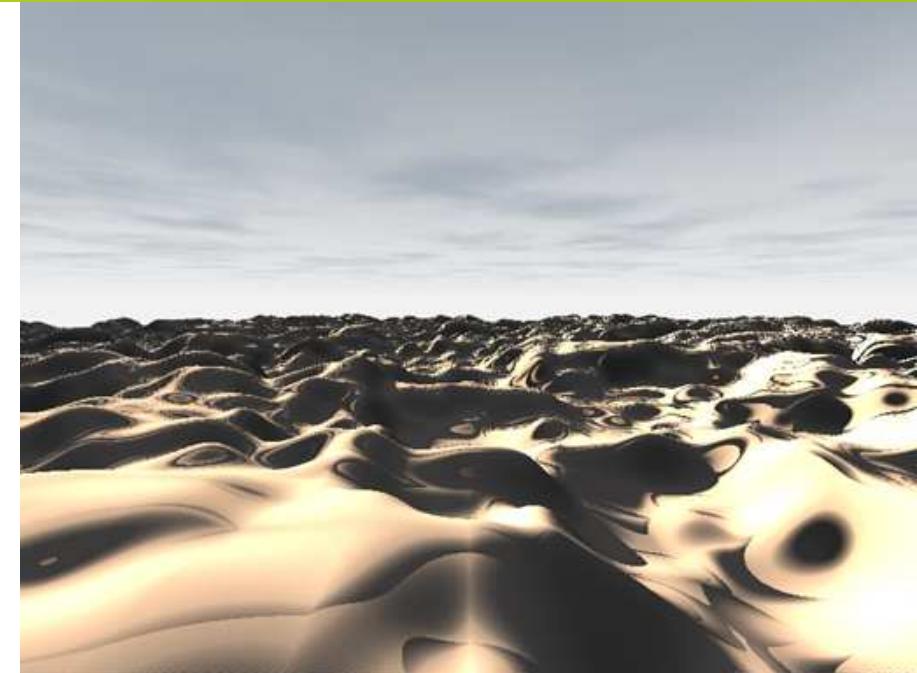


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float map(float x, float z )  
{  
    float f;  
    f = 0.5000000f*noise2f( 1.0f*x, 1.0f*z);  
    f += 0.2500000f*noise2f( 2.0f*x, 2.0f*z);  
    f += 0.1250000f*noise2f( 4.0f*x, 4.0f*z);  
    f = 0.5f+0.5f*f;  
    f = f*f*(3.0f-2.0f*f);  
    f = f*f*(3.0f-2.0f*f);  
    f = -2.5f + 1.5f*f;  
    return f;  
}
```

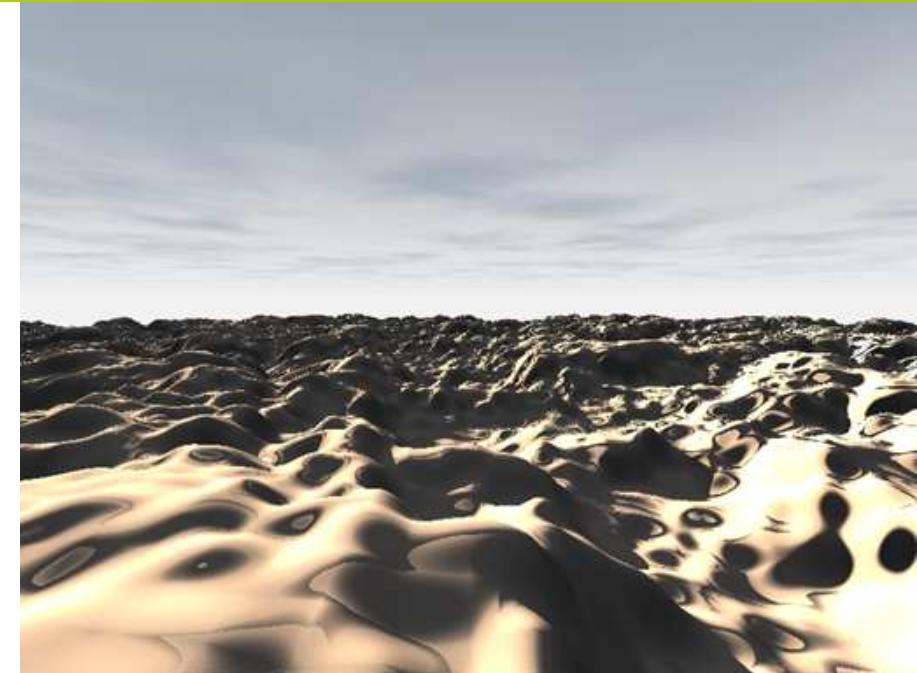


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    f += 0.125000f*noise2f( 4.0f*x, 4.0f*z);
    f += 0.062500f*noise2f( 8.0f*x, 8.0f*z);
    f = 0.5f+0.5f*f;
    f = f*f*(3.0f-2.0f*f);
    f = f*f*(3.0f-2.0f*f);
    f = -2.5f + 1.5f*f;
    return f;
}
```

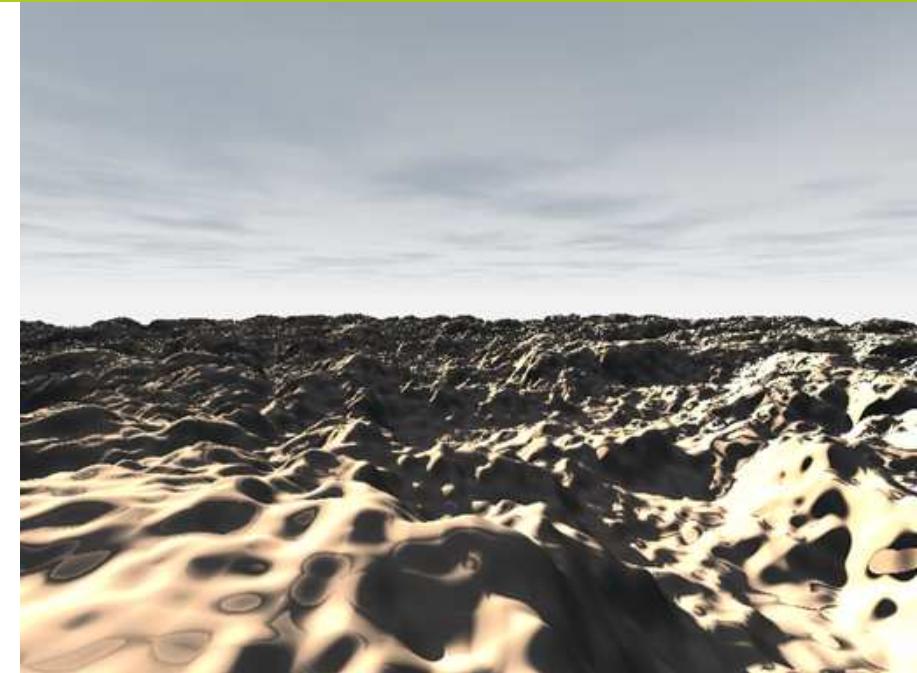


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    f += 0.125000f*noise2f( 4.0f*x, 4.0f*z);  
    f += 0.062500f*noise2f( 8.0f*x, 8.0f*z);  
    f += 0.031250f*noise2f(16.0f*x, 16.0f*z);  
    f = 0.5f+0.5f*f;  
    f = f*f*(3.0f-2.0f*f);  
    f = f*f*(3.0f-2.0f*f);  
    f = -2.5f + 1.5f*f;  
    return f;  
}
```

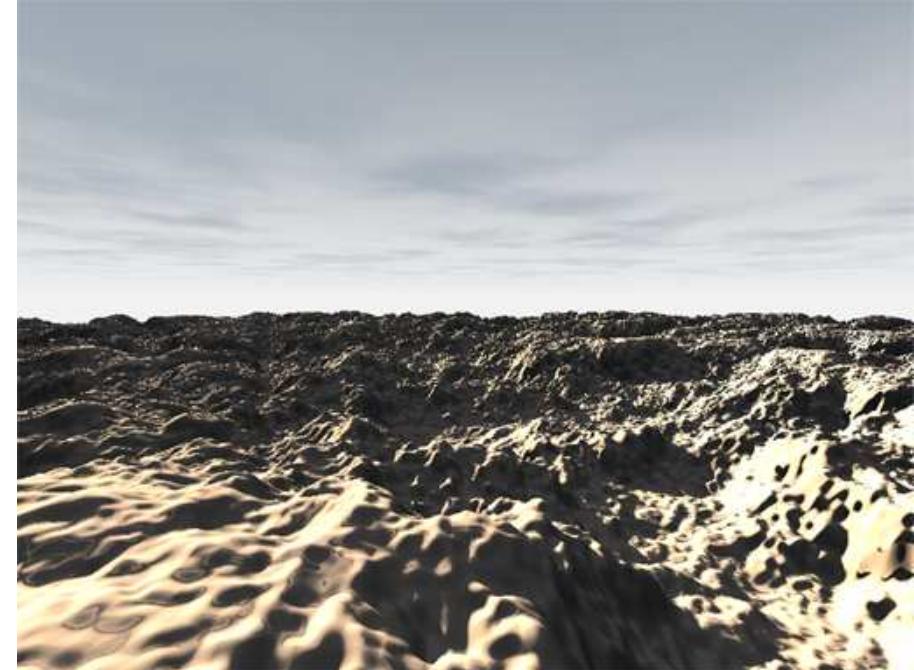


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{  
    float f;  
    f = 0.500000f*noise2f( 1.0f*x, 1.0f*z);  
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    f += 0.062500f*noise2f( 8.0f*x, 8.0f*z);  
    f += 0.031250f*noise2f(16.0f*x, 16.0f*z);  
    f += 0.0156250f*noise2f(32.0f*x, 32.0f*z);  
    f = 0.5f+0.5f*f;  
    f = f*f*(3.0f-2.0f*f);  
    f = f*f*(3.0f-2.0f*f);  
    f = -2.5f + 1.5f*f;  
    return f;  
}
```

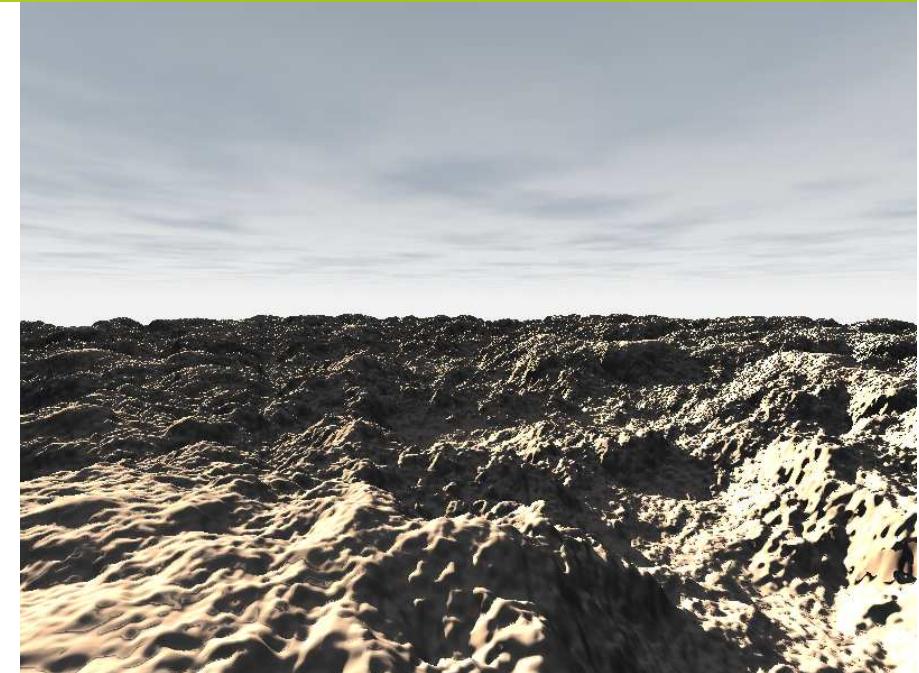


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    f += 0.0156250f*noise2f(32.0f*x, 32.0f*z);
    f += 0.0078125f*noise2f(64.0f*x, 64.0f*z);
    f = 0.5f+0.5f*f;
    f = f*f*(3.0f-2.0f*f);
    f = f*f*(3.0f-2.0f*f);
    f = -2.5f + 1.5f*f;
    return f;
}
```



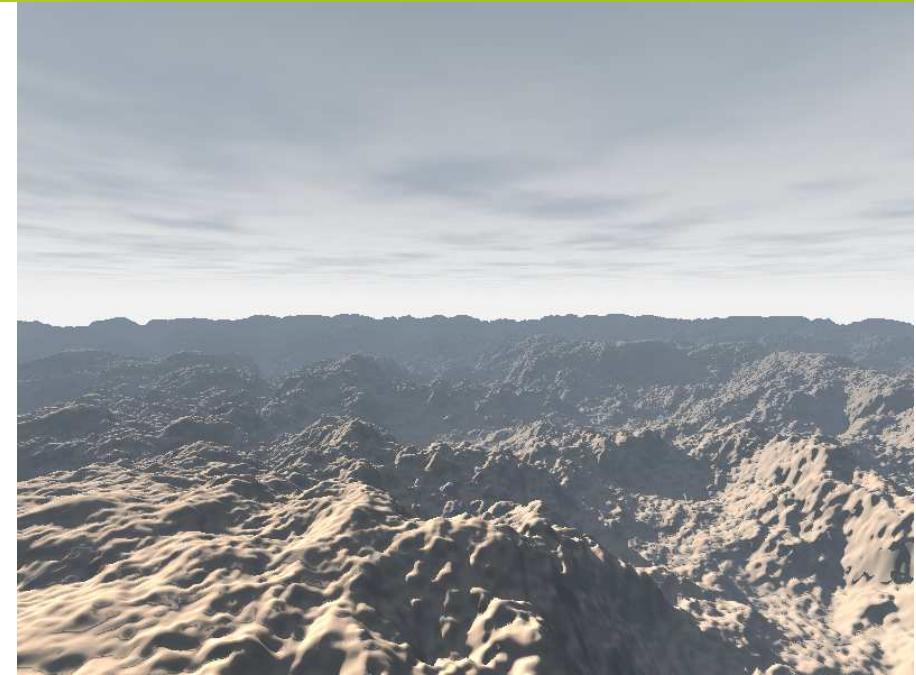
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    f += 0.0078125f*noise2f(64.0f*x, 64.0f*z);
    f = 0.5f+0.5f*f;
    f = f*f*(3.0f-2.0f*f);
    f = f*f*(3.0f-2.0f*f);
    f = -2.5f + 1.5f*f;
    return f;
}

void scattering( float *rgb, float t )
{
    // exponential decay
    float f = m2xf( -0.25f*t );
    // extinction
    rgb[0] *= f;
    rgb[1] *= f;
    rgb[2] *= f;
    // in-scattering
    rgb[0] += 0.50f*(1.0f-f);
    rgb[1] += 0.55f*(1.0f-f);
    rgb[2] += 0.60f*(1.0f-f);
}
```



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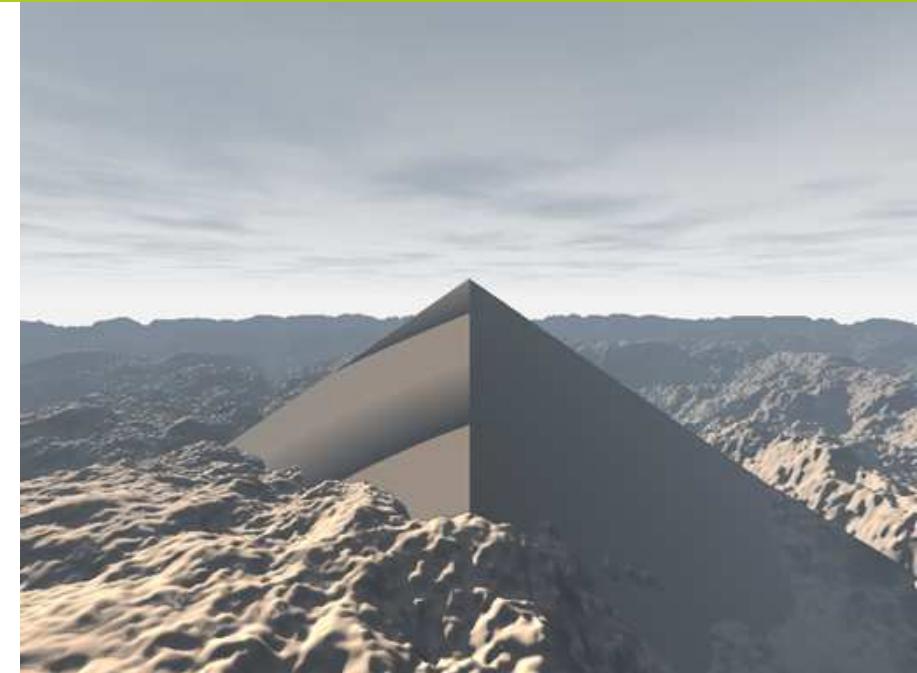
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```
float map(float x, float z )
{
    // terrain
    float f;
    f = 0.5000000f*noise2f( 1.0f*x, 1.0f*z);
    f += 0.2500000f*noise2f( 2.0f*x, 2.0f*z);
    f += 0.1250000f*noise2f( 4.0f*x, 4.0f*z);
    f += 0.0625000f*noise2f( 8.0f*x, 8.0f*z);
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    f += 0.0078125f*noise2f(64.0f*x, 64.0f*z);
    f = 0.5f+0.5f*f;
    f = f*f*(3.0f-2.0f*f);
    f = f*f*(3.0f-2.0f*f);
    f = -2.5f + 1.5f*f;

    // pyramid
    float g;
    z -= 2.0f;
    g = 0.25f - fabsf(x*1.65f) - fabsf(z*1.65f);

    // select terrain or pyramid
    if( g>f ) f=g;

    return f;
}
```



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    f = 0.5f+0.5f*f;
    f = f*f*(3.0f-2.0f*f);
    f = f*f*(3.0f-2.0f*f);
    f = -2.5f + 1.5f*f;

    // pyramid
    float g;
    z -= 2.0f;
    float rx = x*0.9f-z*0.2f;
    float rz = x*0.2f+z*0.9f;
    g = 0.25f - fabsf(rx*1.65f) - fabsf(rz*1.65f);

    // select terrain or pyramid
    if( g>f ) f=g;

    return f;
}
```



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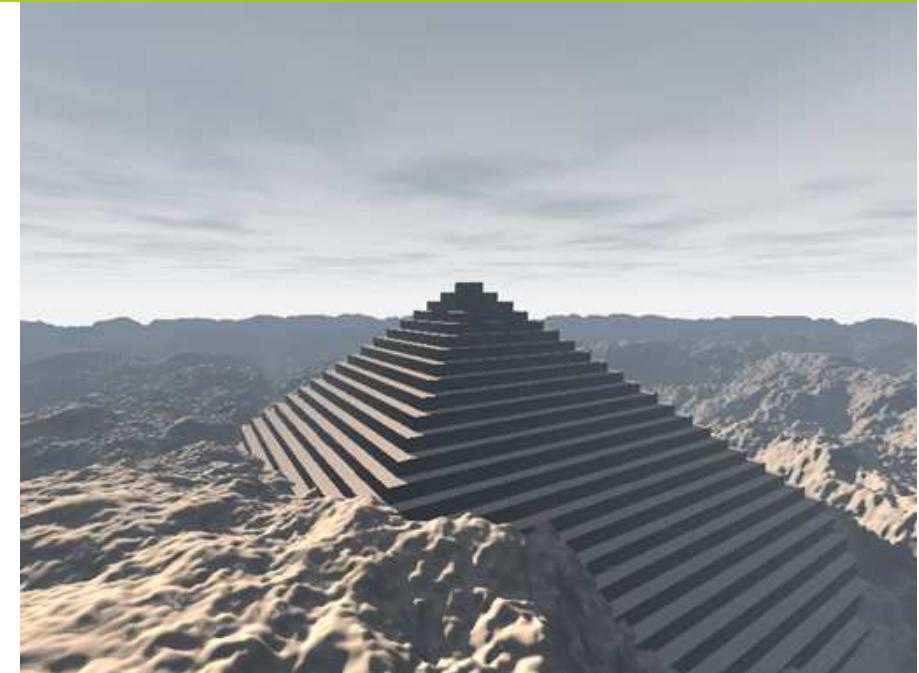
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```
float map(float x, float z )
{
    // terrain
    float f;
    f = 0.5000000f*noise2f( 1.0f*x, 1.0f*z);
    f += 0.2500000f*noise2f( 2.0f*x, 2.0f*z);
    f += 0.1250000f*noise2f( 4.0f*x, 4.0f*z);
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    f = f*f*(3.0f-2.0f*f);
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    f = -2.5f + 1.5f*f;

    // pyramid
    float g;
    z -= 2.0f;
    float rx = x*0.9f-z*0.2f;
    float rz = x*0.2f+z*0.9f;
    g = 0.25f - fabsf(rx*1.65f) - fabsf(rz*1.65f);
    g = ((int)(g*10.0f))/10.0f; // stairs

    // select terrain or pyramid
    if( g>f ) f=g;

    return f;
}
```



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```
float map(float x, float z )
{
    // terrain
    float f;
    f = 0.50000000f*noise2f( 1.0f*x, 1.0f*z );
    f += 0.25000000f*noise2f( 2.0f*x, 2.0f*z );
    f += 0.12500000f*noise2f( 4.0f*x, 4.0f*z );
    f += 0.06250000f*noise2f( 8.0f*x, 8.0f*z );
    f += 0.03125000f*noise2f( 16.0f*x, 16.0f*z );
    f += 0.01562500f*noise2f( 32.0f*x, 32.0f*z );
    f += 0.00781250f*noise2f( 64.0f*x, 64.0f*z );
    f += 0.00390625f*noise2f(128.0f*x, 128.0f*z );
    f = 0.5f+0.5f*f;
    f = f*f*(3.0f-2.0f*f);
    f = f*f*(3.0f-2.0f*f);
    f = -2.5f + 1.5f*f;

    // chenese wall
    float cx = x-1.5f*noise2f( 2.0f*x, 2.0f*z );
    float cz = z+1.5f*noise2f( 2.0f*x, 2.0f*z );
    float di = fabsf(cx+cz);
    if( di<0.1f )
        f += 0.1f-di;

    // pyramid
    float g;
    z -= 2.0f;
    float rx = x*0.9f-z*0.2f;
    float rz = x*0.2f+z*0.9f;
    g = 0.25f - fabsf(rx*1.65f) - fabsf(rz*1.65f);
    g = ((int)(g*10.0f))/10.0f; // stairs

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    return f;
}
```



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    f += 0.00390625f*noise2f(128.0f*x, 128.0f*z );
    f = 0.5f+0.5f*f;
    f = f*f*(3.0f-2.0f*f);
    f = f*f*(3.0f-2.0f*f);
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    float di = fabsf(cx+cz);
    if( di<0.1f )
        f += 0.1f-di;

    // pyramid
    float g;
    z -= 2.0f;
    float rx = x*0.9f-z*0.2f;
    float rz = x*0.2f+z*0.9f;
    g = 0.25f - fabsf(rx*1.65f) - fabsf(rz*1.65f);
    g = ((int)(g*10.0f))/10.0f;      // stairs
    if( fabsf(rx+rz)<0.1f || fabsf(rx-rz)<0.1f ) // path
        g += 0.1f;

    // select terrain or pyramid
    if( g>f ) f=g;

    return f;
}
```



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```

float map(float x, float z )
{
    // terrain
    float f;
    f = 0.50000000f*noise2f( 1.0f*x, 1.0f*z );
    f += 0.25000000f*noise2f( 2.0f*x, 2.0f*z );
    f += 0.12500000f*noise2f( 4.0f*x, 4.0f*z );
    f += 0.06250000f*noise2f( 8.0f*x, 8.0f*z );
    f += 0.03125000f*noise2f( 16.0f*x, 16.0f*z );
    f += 0.01562500f*noise2f( 32.0f*x, 32.0f*z );
    f += 0.00781250f*noise2f( 64.0f*x, 64.0f*z );
    f += 0.00390625f*noise2f(128.0f*x, 128.0f*z );
    f = 0.5f+0.5f*f;
    f = f*f*(3.0f-2.0f*f);
    f = f*f*(3.0f-2.0f*f);
    f = -2.5f + 1.5f*f;

    // chenese wall
    float cx = x-1.5f*noise2f( 2.0f*x, 2.0f*z );
    float cz = z+1.5f*noise2f( 2.0f*x, 2.0f*z );
    float di = fabsf(cx+cz);
    if( di<0.1f )
        f += 0.1f-di;

    // pyramid
    float g;
    z -= 2.0f;
    float rx = x*0.9f-z*0.2f;
    float rz = x*0.2f+z*0.9f;
    g = 0.25f - fabsf(rx*1.65f) - fabsf(rz*1.65f);
    g = ((int)(g*10.0f))/10.0f;      // stairs
    if( fabsf(rx+rz)<0.1f || fabsf(rx-rz)<0.1f ) // path
        g += 0.1f;

    // select terrain or pyramid
    if( g>f ) f=g;

    return f;
}

void fog( float *rgb, float t, const float *rayDir)
{
    float fog = (1.0f-m2xf(-2.5f*rayDir[1]*t) ) / rayDir[1];
    colerp(rgb, fog*0.01f, rgb, fogColor);
}

```



- Density of air-atmosphere decays with altitude $d(y) = a \cdot e^{-by}$

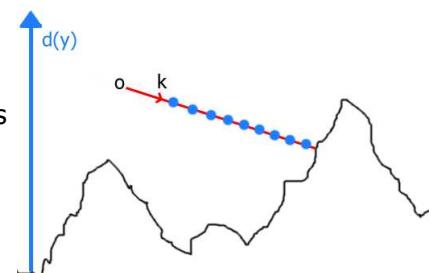
- A ray with origin \mathbf{o} and direction \mathbf{k} is

$$\mathbf{r}(t) = \mathbf{o} + t \cdot \mathbf{k}$$

- Accumulated air density:

$$D = \int_0^T d(y(t)) \cdot dt$$

$$D = \int_0^T d(\mathbf{o} + t \cdot \mathbf{k}) \cdot dt = a \cdot e^{-b \cdot o_y} \frac{1 - e^{-b \cdot k_y T}}{b \cdot k_y}$$



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3D procedural drawing

- 2.5D is easy to implement, fast to render, and easy to work with. But it has a big drawback, the 3D is just a heightmap, and so it cannot draw a concave scene.
- In Ixaleno the terrain and alien bases and road were on the heightmap, and the spaceships were done differently because of this limitation of heightmaps.
- 3D is as easy to use as 2.5D (as procedural artists), and shares all the advantages of 2.5D.
- If done cleverly, it is not slower to render than 2.5 maps ;)
- The idea is to basically write a map of (x, y, z) that defines for each point in space the presence of an object.

There was an interesting procedural full 3d image in this slide.
After some explanations on it, speech attendees were flashed
and their short term visual memory erased.

work-in-progress by rgba

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Conclusions

- 4k graphics are an extremely interesting competition, a good platform for experimentation on rendering techniques, and to show your little artist inside.
- Image compression is not that much of an option (yet).
- Proceduralism is fun to play with. Simple geometric concepts plus perlin noise and smoothstep to the powa.
- In 3D things become “easier” and more impressive.

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“elexiane”, 4k executable graphic by rgba

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