

How to model a daisy in 1/2 hour

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Overview

- 1 Gather Data
- 2 Create Topology
- 3 Texturing
- 4 Parameter Calibration and Randomness

Where to find data ?

- Collect images
- Read books
- Go into the nature !



Daisy data



- Small rounded or spoon-shaped evergreen leaves, 2-5 cm long, close to the ground, rosulate arrangement
- Leafless stem, 2-10 cm long
- Green bracts in two rows, usually 13
- Flower base, conical shape, 6 mm long, 5 mm in diameter
- White flowers, 11 mm long, 2 mm wide
- Yellow disc flowers



Define the parts

```
module Leaf ;  
module Stem ;  
module Bract ;  
module FlowerBase ;  
module Flower ;
```



Define parameters

```
module Leaf(float length , float diameter );  
module Stem(float length , float diameter );  
module Bract(float lenth , float diameter );  
module FlowerBase(float length , float diameter );  
module Flower(float length , float diameter ,  
             int color );
```



Assign shape to parts (1)

Different ways to assign a shape to a part:

- Derivation
- Instantiation



Assign shape to parts (2)

```
module Leaf(float length , float diameter)
    ==> leaf(length , diameter);
module Stem(float length , float diameter)
    extends Cylinder(length , diameter/2);
module Bract(float length , float diameter)
    ==> leaf(length , diameter);
module FlowerBase(float length , float diameter)
    ==> Cone(length , diameter/2);
```



Assign shape to parts (3)

```
module Flower(float length , float diameter ,  
             int color)  
==> if (color == YELLOW)  
      (Cylinder(length , diameter/2))  
    else if (color == WHITE)  
      (leaf(length , diameter));
```



Use parts to derive topology

- Derive flower from an initial symbol, in this case *Axiom*
- Parameter values will be guessed, can be adjusted later on
- Connectivity information is important in this step



Derive leaves

```

Axiom ==>
    // create rosette of 7 leaves ,
    // diameter is half of their length
    for (int i:1:7)
    ( [
        RH(i * 137.5)
        M(i-1)
        RU(leafAngle)
        RH(90)
        { double r = 50 - i * 5; }
        Leaf(r, r/2)
    ] )
    ...
;

```



Derive stem

...

```
// create the stem, 70 mm long,
```

```
// diameter 2 mm
```

```
Stem(70, 2)
```

...



Derive bracts

...

```
// create 13 bracts ,
// each 9 mm long , 2 mm in width
```

```
for (int i:1:13)
( [
    M(-1)
    RH(360 * i / 13)
    RU(bractAngle)
    RH(90)
    Bract(9, 2)
] )
```

...



Derive flower base

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```
// create flower base,  
// 6 mm long, 5 mm diameter  
FlowerBase(6, 5)
```

...



Derive white flowers

...

```
// create white flowers around flower base
```

```
for (int i:1:50)
```

```
( [
```

```
    M(-6 + i * 0.02)
```

```
    RH(i * 13.7)
```

```
    RU(whiteFlowerAngle)
```

```
    RH(90)
```

```
    Flower(11, 2, WHITE)
```

```
] )
```

...



Derive yellow flowers

...

// create yellow flowers around flower base

```
for (int i:1:250)
```

```
( [
```

```
  { float h = i * 0.02; }
```

```
  M(-h)
```

```
  RH(i * 137.5)
```

```
  Translate(h * k, 0, 0)
```

```
  RU(whiteFlowerAngle * i / 250)
```

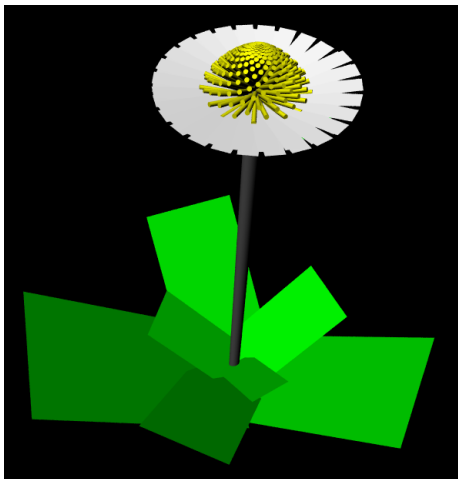
```
  Flower(1.0 + 3.0 * (h / 5.0), 0.5, YELLOW)
```

```
] )
```

...



Result of topology creation



Obtain textures

- From (digital) camera
- From scanner
- From the internet
- Any kind of image will do

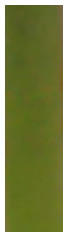


Prepare textures

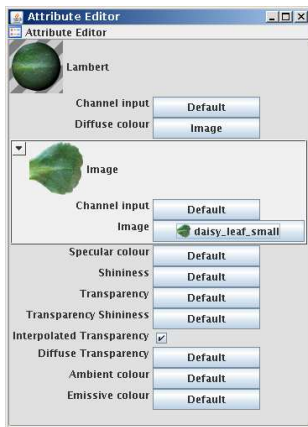
- Adjust lighting
- Cut out, make background transparent
- Resize (no 100MB textures)



Prepared daisy textures



Importing textures into GroIMP



Apply texture to object

```
// obtain reference to named shader  
ShaderRef leafShader = shader("leafShader");  
  
// set shader during interpretation  
module Leaf(float length, float diameter)  
    ==> leaf(length, diameter).(  
        setShader(leafShader));
```



Result of texturing



Adjust parameters of the model

- Make plant look more natural by generating values (angle, length, diameter, ...) randomly
- Perform statistical analysis of the model followed by parameter adjustment until the model fits the observed data
- Perform statistical analysis of real plants to obtain mean and variance for stochastic generation of parameter values



Result with stochastic distribution



That's all

Thank you for your attention.

