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New Developments in MaterialX and OSL

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A Beautiful Game: The Open Chess Set

Moeen Sayed, VFX Artist, NineBetween for SideFX

The Open Chess Set



"A Beautiful Game" Karma Learning Material



- Originally a learning resource by SideFX, titled "A Beautiful Game"
- USD compliant set of assets created by Mujtaba Sayed
- Used to explore various shaders within Solaris
- Explored rendering workflows within Solaris
- MaterialX Shaders rendered in Karma CPU and XPU

The Open Chess Set

- Due to public availability, Open-Sourcing was the next logical step
- Tutorial USD assets used to create Open-Source MaterialX Chess Set
- Chris Rydalch converted the materials and extracted the geometry from the original files
- Chris, with Mark Elendt, managed the process of contributing to the MaterialX repository
- Pablo Delgado created a compiled USD asset.
- Jonathan Stone fixed any issues and completed the conversion to .mtlx and .gltf

Benefits of The Open Chess Set

- Acts as a shared, consistent testing asset which can allow comparison between renderers.
- Covers a range of shading features such as transmission, metallics and SSS all within a single scene.
- It encourages the experimentation of 3rd party renderers within the Solaris context which allows Houdini users further flexibility in exploration.
- With conformity to Open Standards, it is accessible for personal and professional research and development.
- Acts as a unified anchor-point for discussion and exchange acting almost as a benchmark between renderers for MaterialX.









Closing Thoughts

- The Open Chess Set has been proposed for inclusion in the new **Digital Production Examples Library** (DPEL), which will be presented in the DPEL segment later today.
- Thanks to Chris Rydalch, Mark Elendt and Pablo Delgado for their efforts on the Open Chess Set
- Special thanks to Rafal Jaroszkiewicz and Jonathan Stone for their assistance with information for this presentation



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MaterialX in Clarisse

Nicolas Guiard, Head of RnD, *Isotropix*

What is Clarisse?

- Specialized DCC for set-dressing/lookdev/lighting/rendering
- Used in VFX and Animation
- Big studios to freelancers
- Feature films, TV shows, commercials

Example: Dune (2021)

- 1000+ shots rendered with Clarisse renderer
- Best VFX Oscar 2022
Kudos to DNEG



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Why is MaterialX the next big thing?

- We, software vendors, suck! ;)
 - No Ultimate solution
 - Users forced to juggle between multiple packages/renderers
- Different technologies/approaches to consider:
 - CPU, GPU, Hybrid CPU+GPU (Apple)
 - Realtime/offline renderers
- What do users care about?
 - Easy asset exchange between applications

Today's solutions

- Alembic
 - Reliable exchange of geometries, animations, cameras
 - Alembic is industry standard and USD wide-scale adoption is at the corner
- OpenVDB
 - Reliable exchange of volumetric datasets
 - OpenVDB is industry standard
- What about looks?
 - MaterialX is the missing link to offer render-agnostic looks exchange

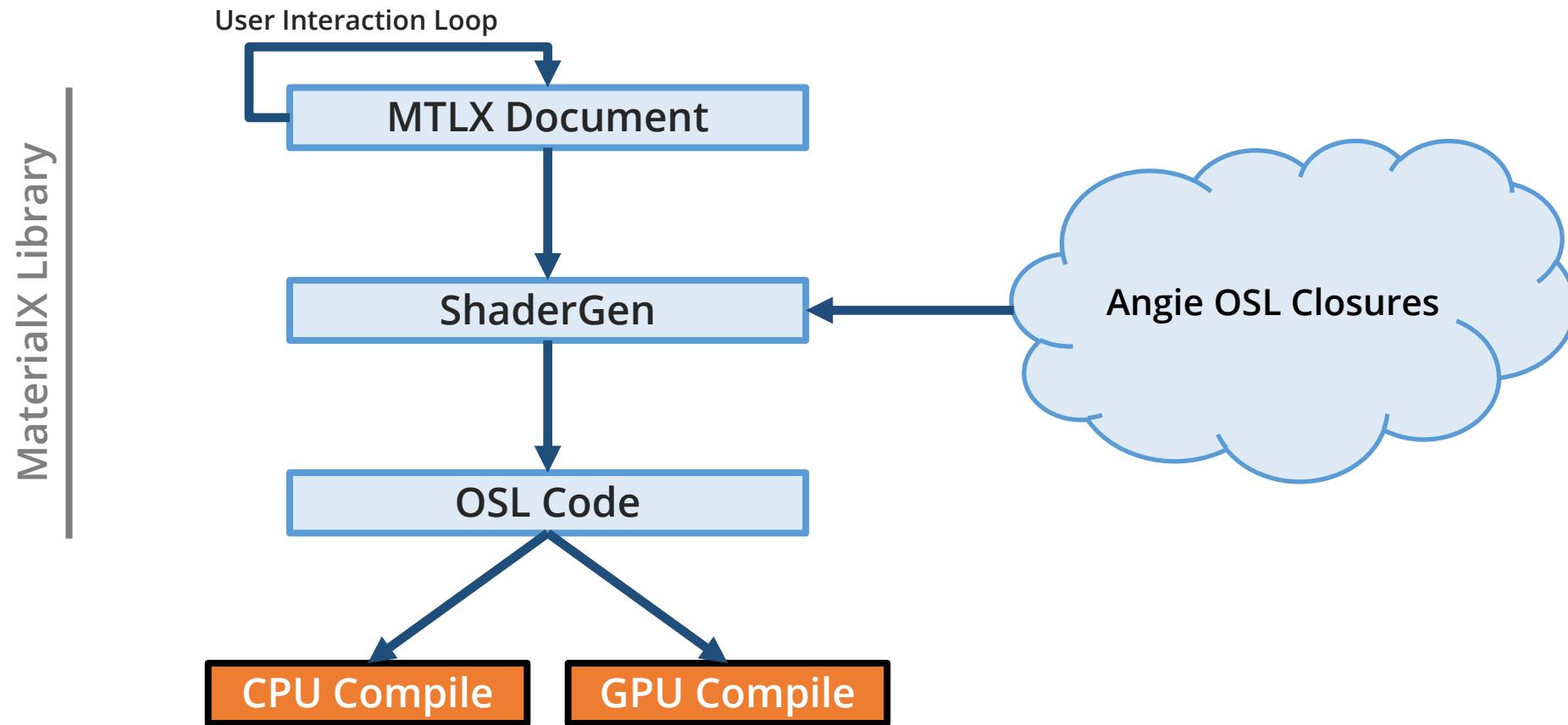
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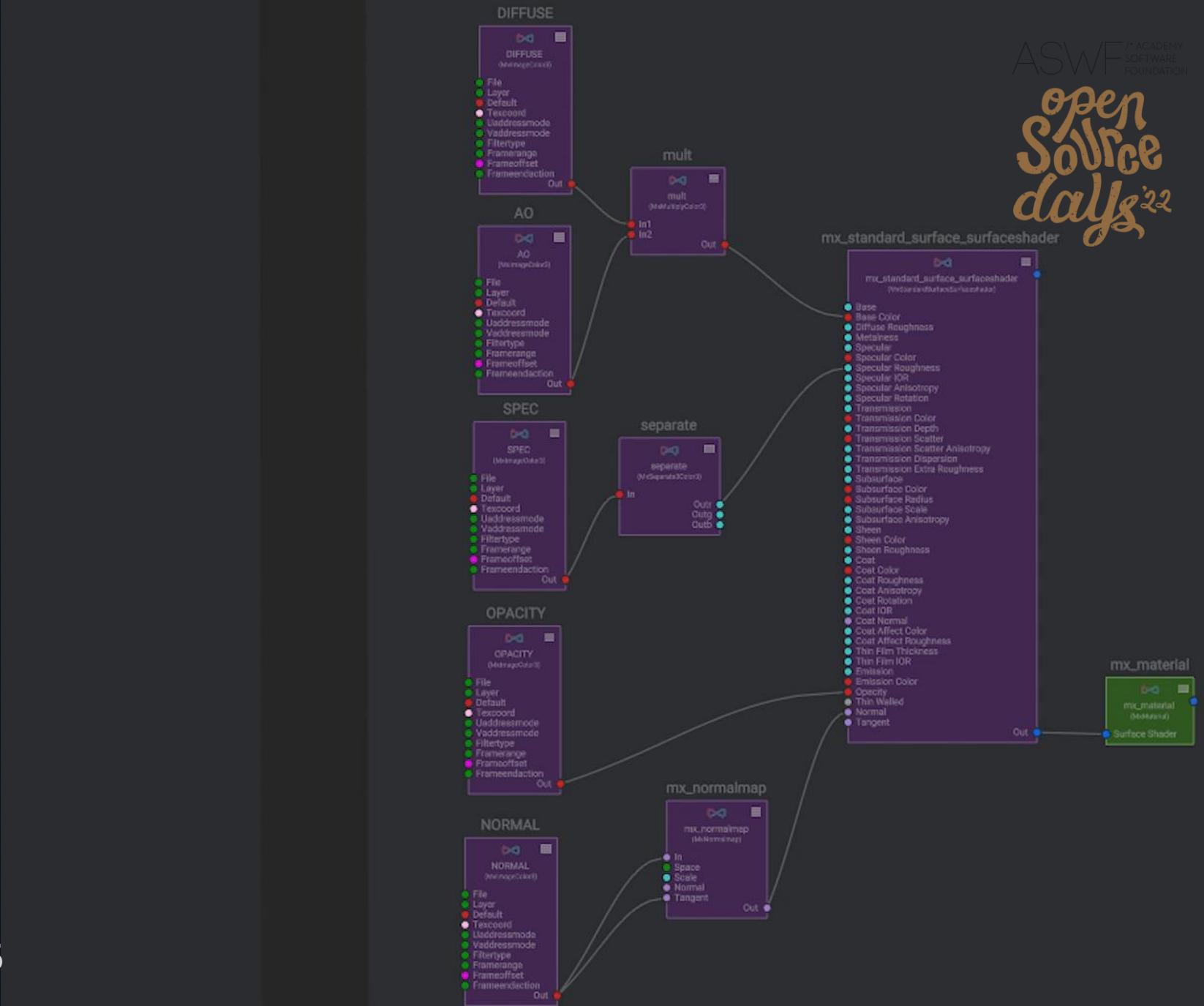
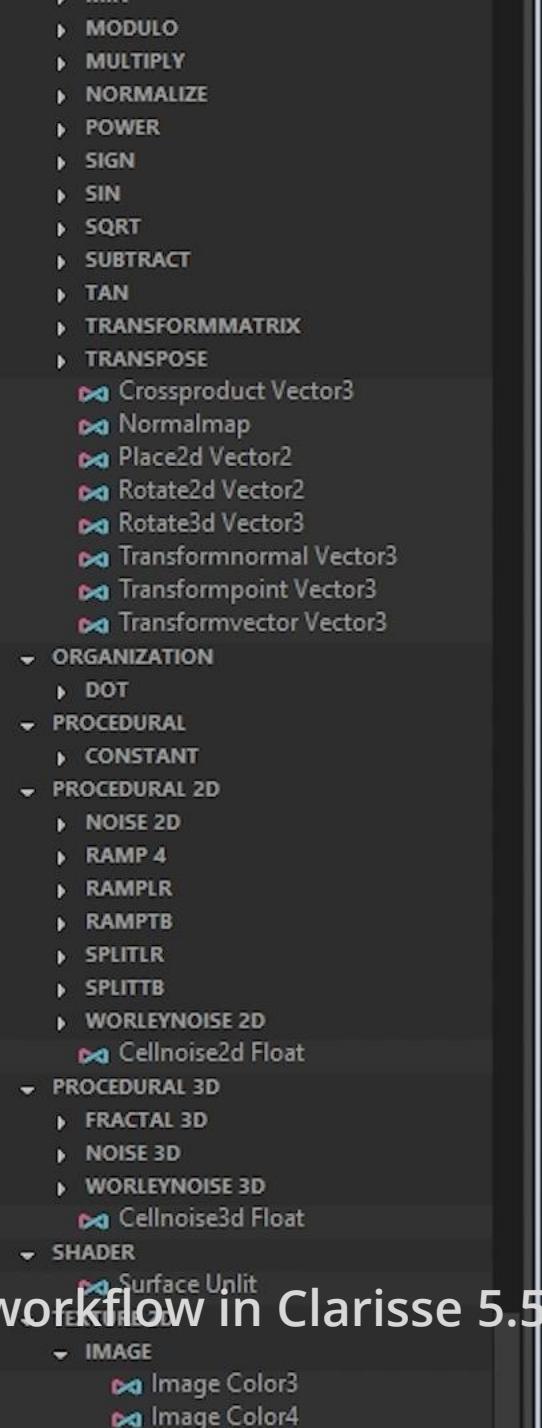
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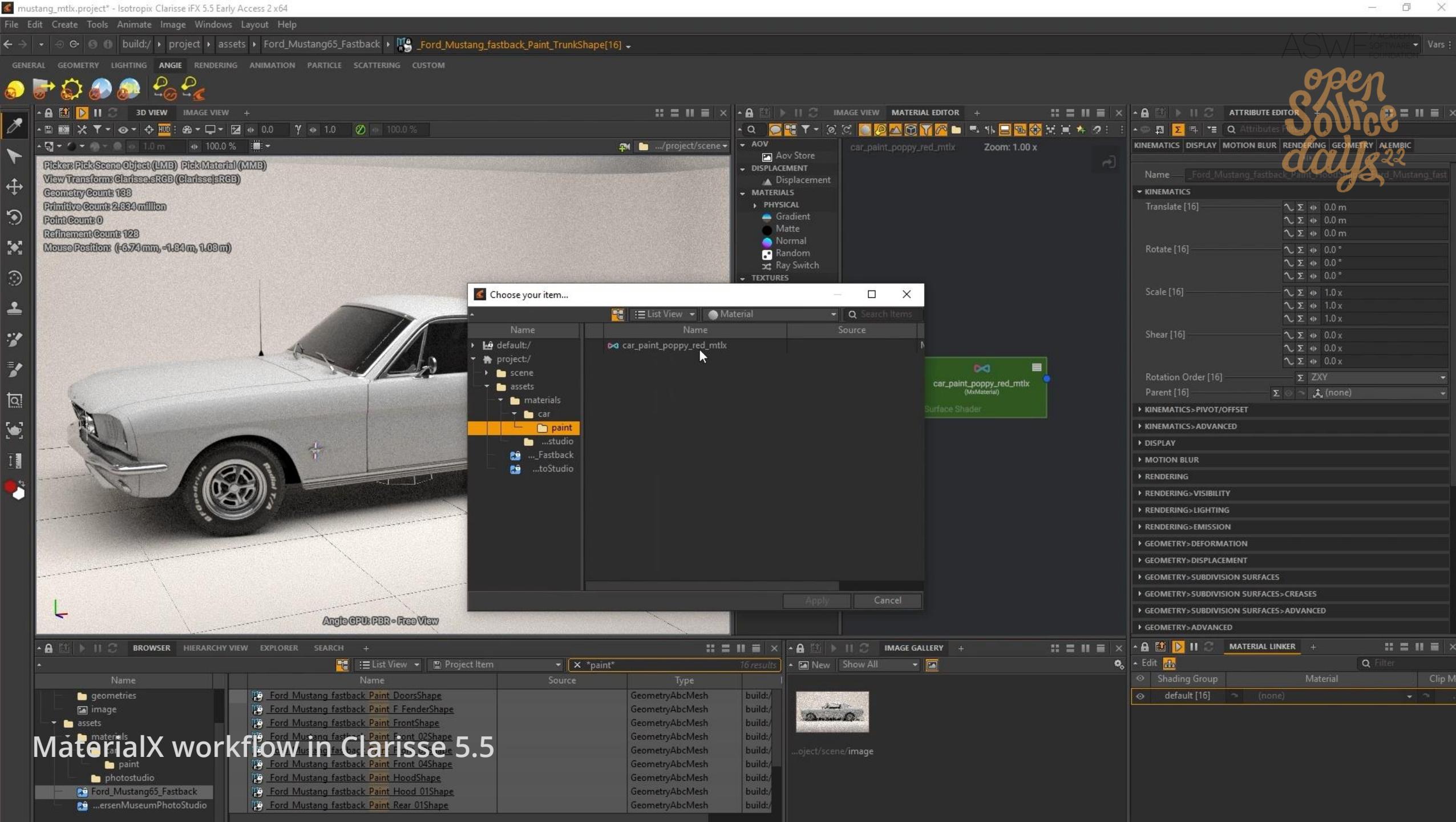
MaterialX support in Clarisse

- Available in Clarisse 5.5
 - Early Access available since December 2021
- Rendered exclusively with Angie
 - Nextgen OSL based CPU+GPU renderer of Clarisse
- MaterialX looks can be accessed in Python/C++
 - Useful for pipeline or for third party renderers in Clarisse

MaterialX in Clarisse Overview









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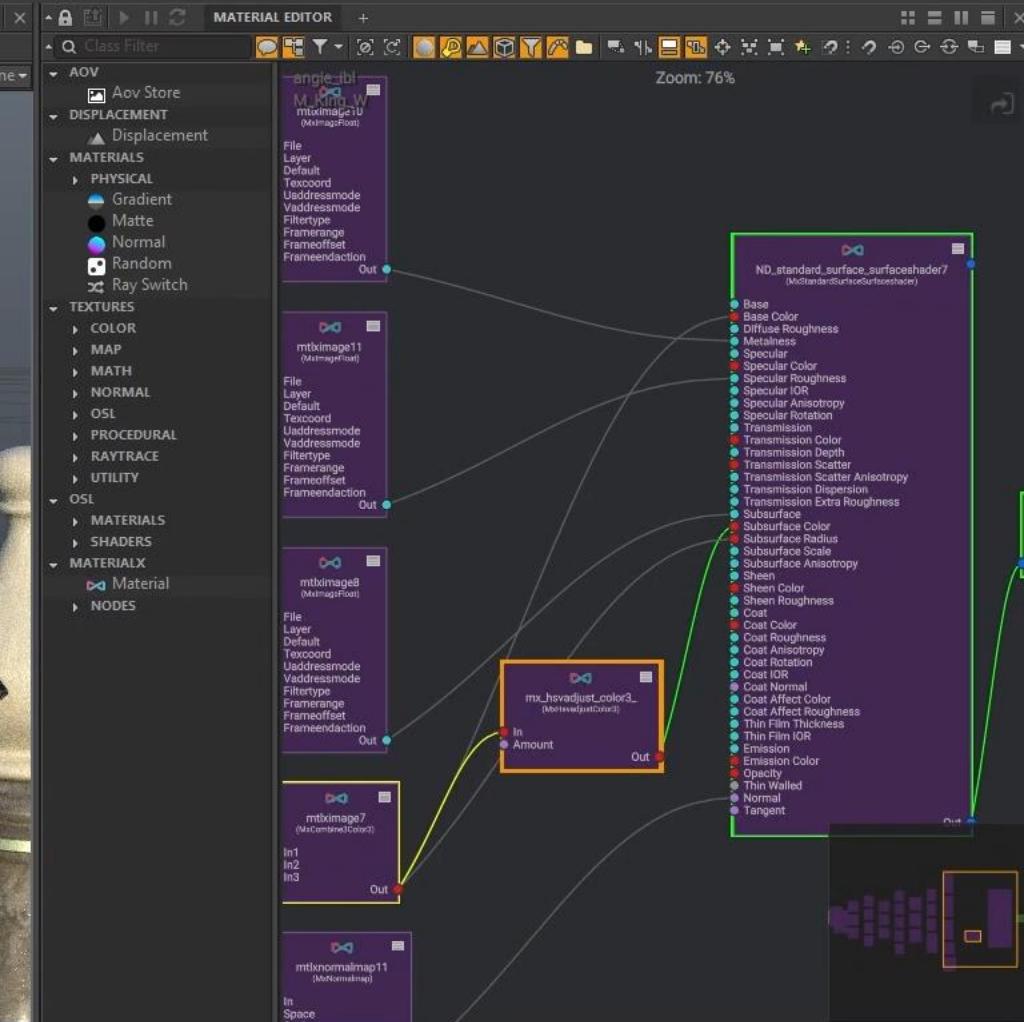
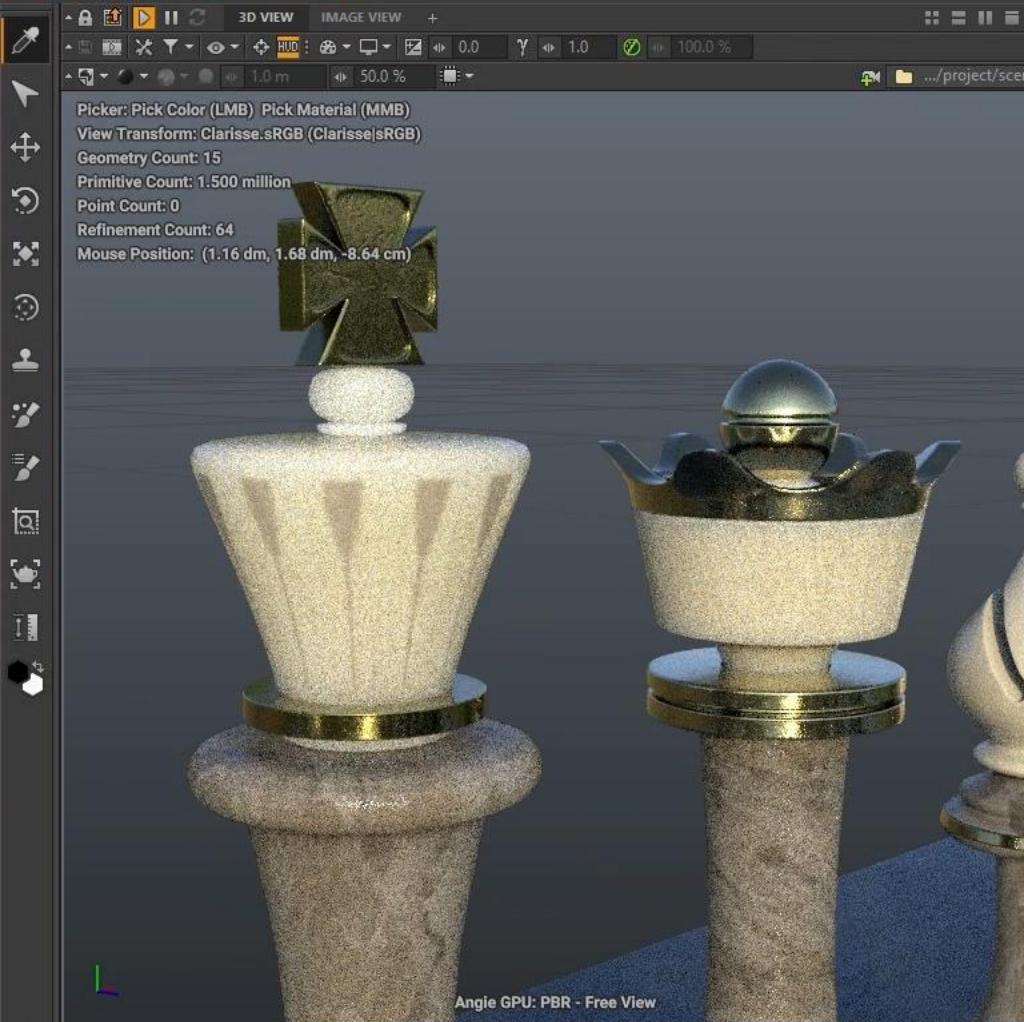
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Angie GPU: PBR - Free View

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MaterialX workflow in Clarisse 5.5

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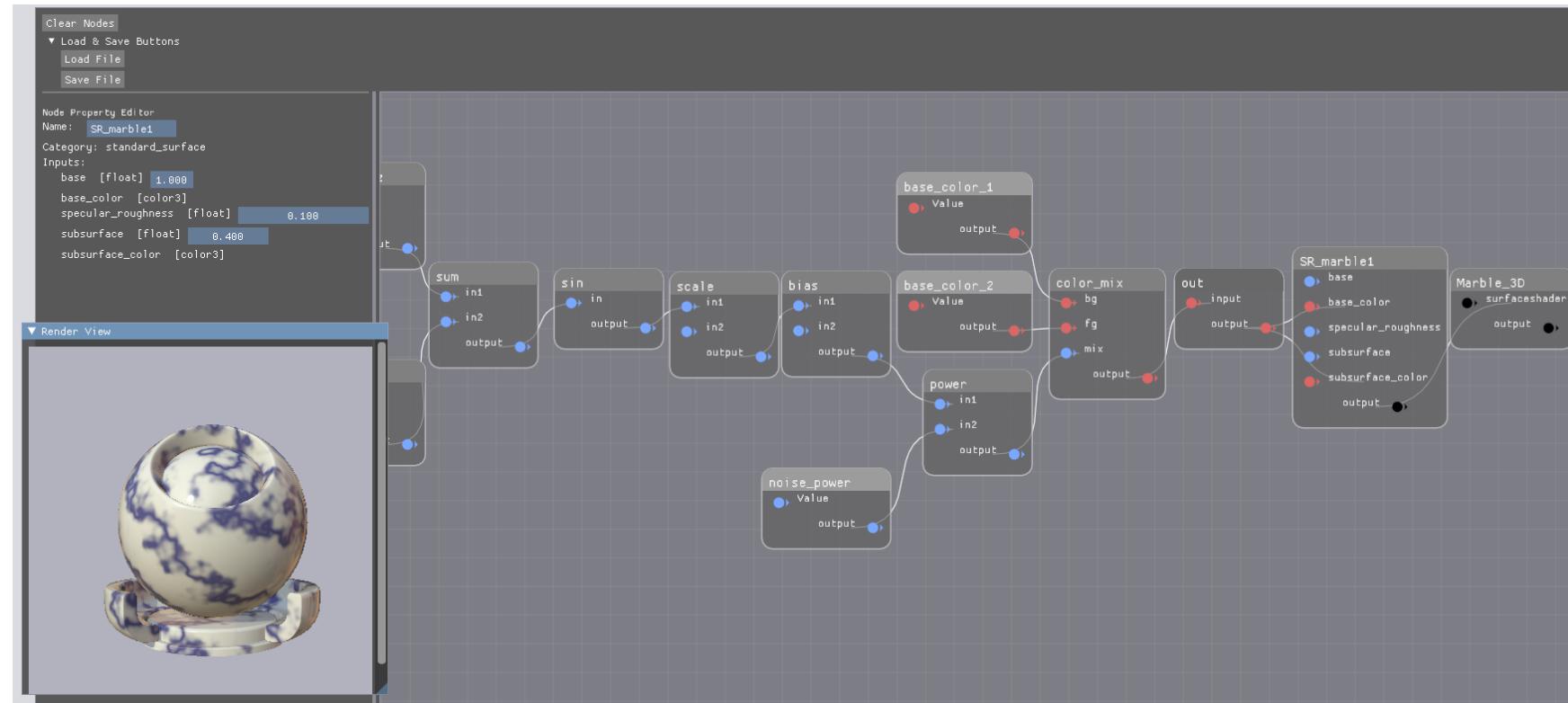
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Open MaterialX Graph Editor

Emma Holthouser, Rendering Engineer Intern, Lucasfilm

Motivation

- Requests from ILM artists and members of the MaterialX community
- Allow for an Open-Source way to edit MaterialX Graphs



Dependencies

- ImGui for Ui¹
- Node Editor for ImGui²
- MaterialXRender³ for Rendering

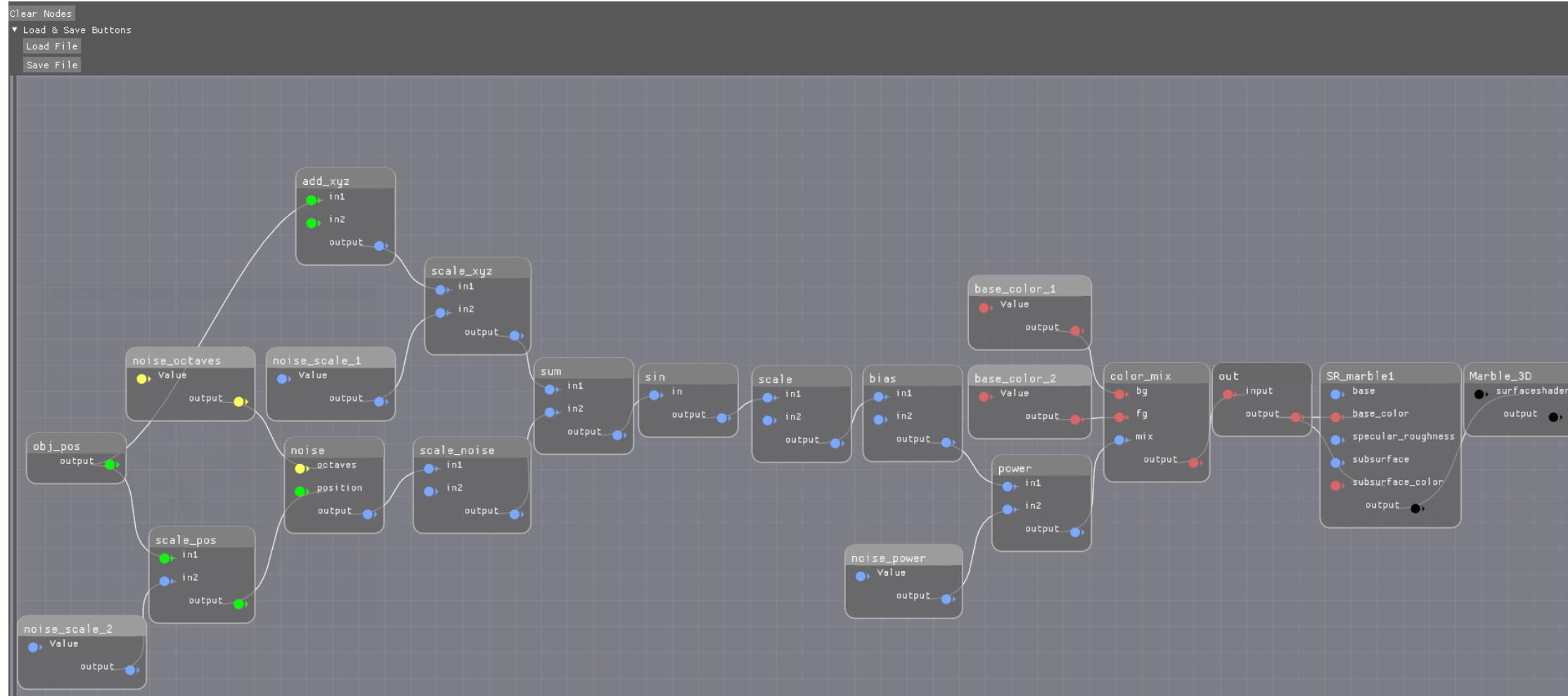


¹<https://github.com/ocornut/imgui>

²<https://github.com/thedmd/imgui-node-editor>

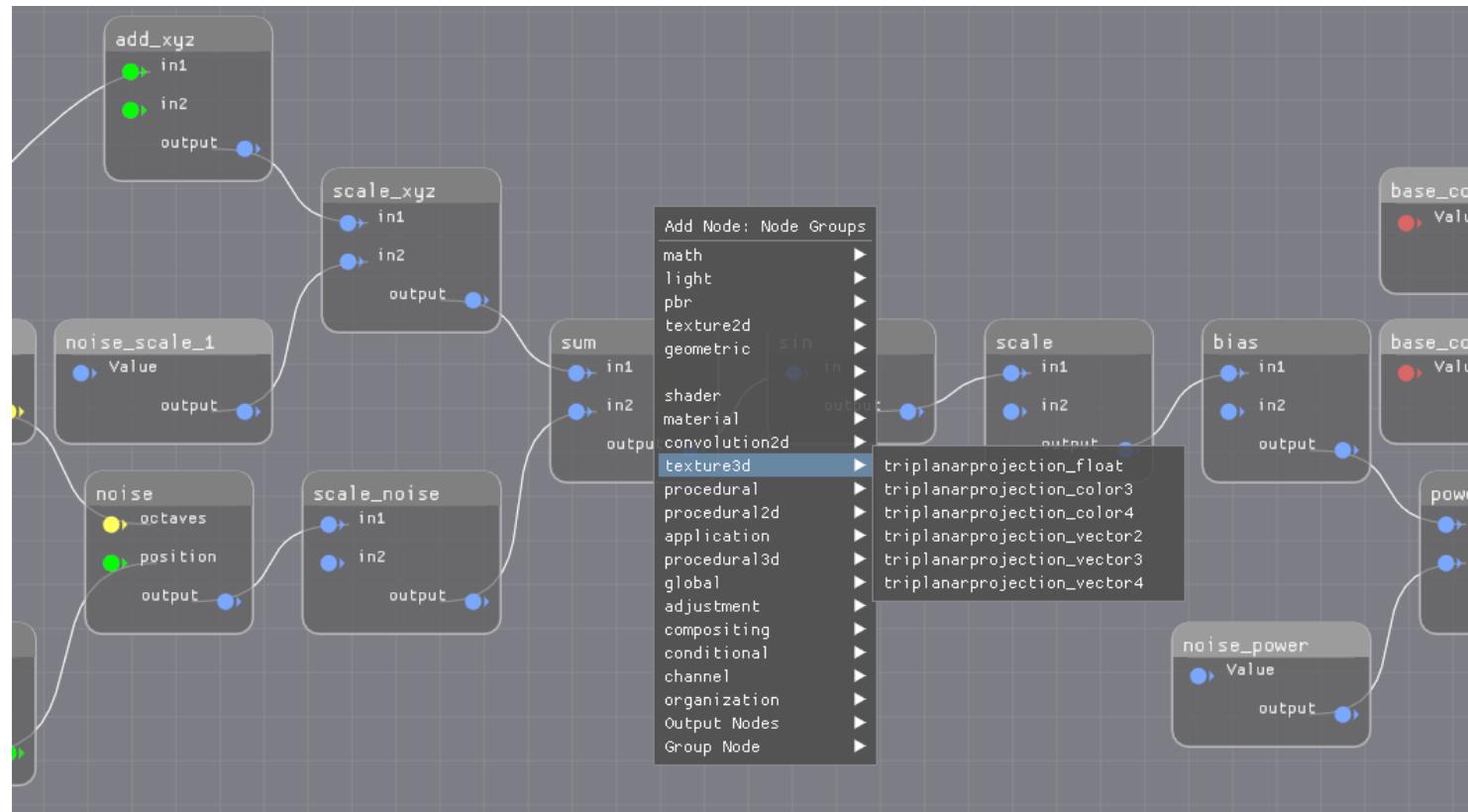
³<https://github.com/AcademySoftwareFoundation/MaterialX/tree/main/source/MaterialXRender>

Current Features - Load MaterialX File



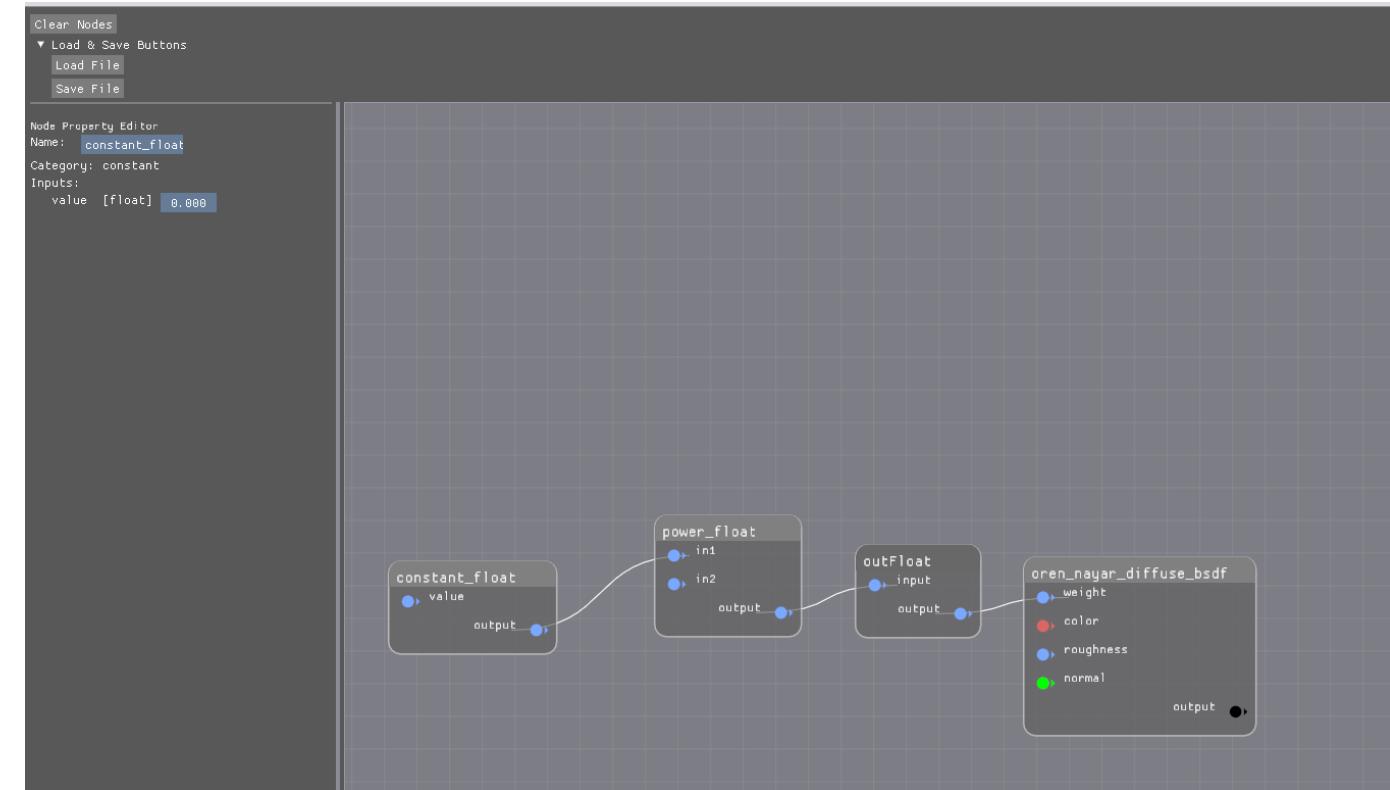
Current Features – Add Node

- Update existing graphs

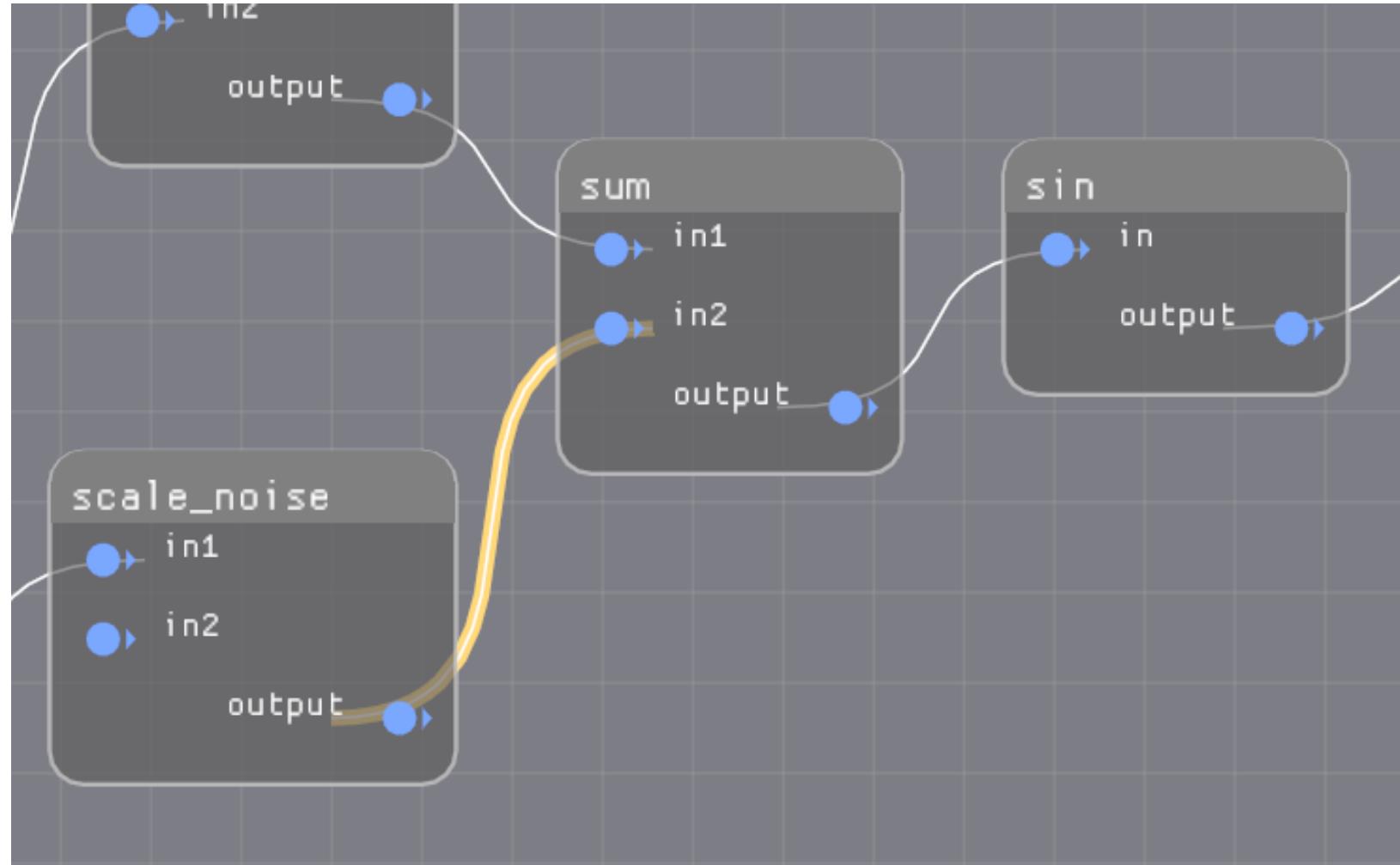


Current Features - Create & Save

- Start from scratch
- Save as .mtlx

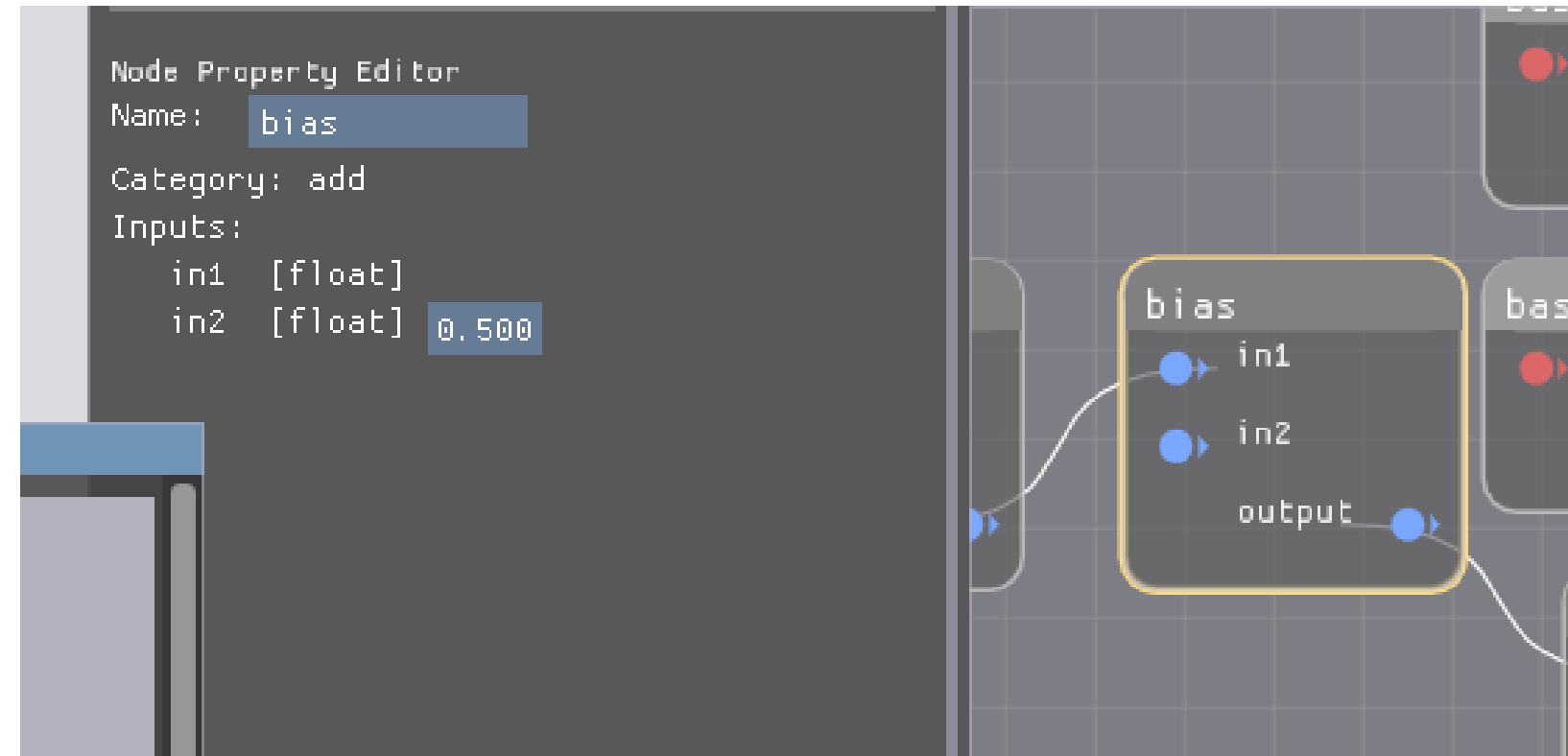


Current Features – Connect Nodes

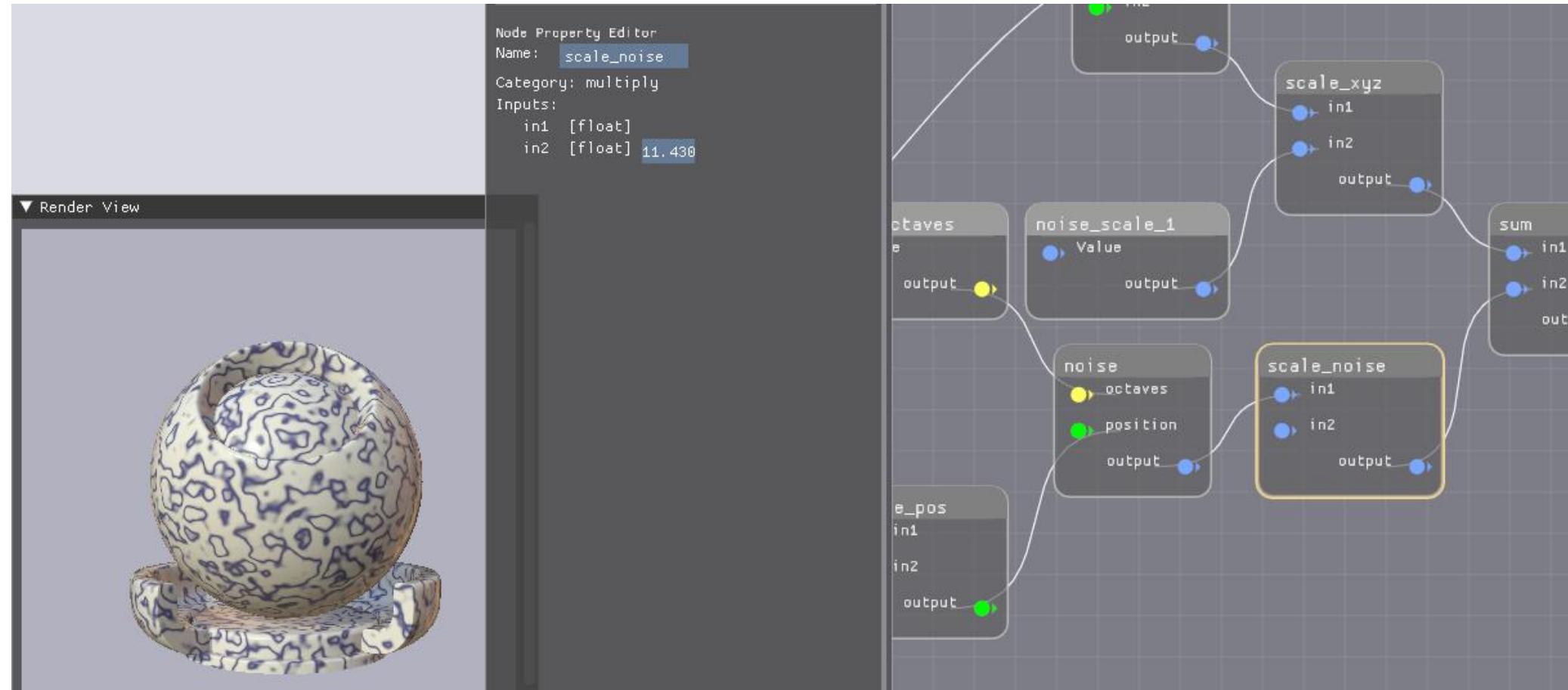


Current Features – Node Property Editor

- Change Node Name
- Edit Parameters



Current Features – Interactive Rendering



Future Features

- Thumbnail Render in Property Editor
- Hierarchical Traversal of Node Graphs
- Open Source Release (planned for Fall 2022)



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New Developments in MaterialX at
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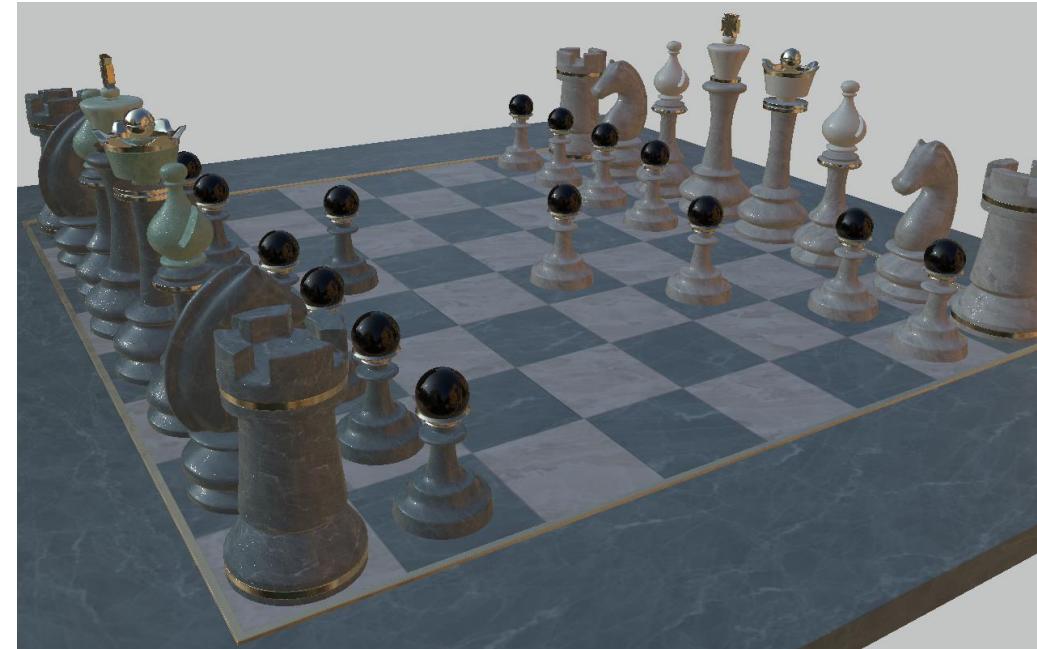
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Contributions

- MaterialX Web
 - Introduced at ASWF OSD 2021.
 - Merged in early 2022 and is now hosted live on MaterialX ASWF.
- Vulkan ShaderGen
 - MaterialX::VkShaderGenerator
 - Based on Glsl ShaderGen
 - Generates Vulkan-compliant GLSL instead of SPIRV.
 - No dependency on Khronos tooling in MaterialX.
 - Shaders are validated using glslangValidator.
 - Plan to bring Vulkan rendering for testing and viewing to MaterialX.
 - Seeking help from Vulkan experts & contributors!



MaterialX Vulkan ShaderGen example with limited transmission support (under development).

Scene credit: Chessboard by Moeen Sayed and Mujtaba Sayed for SideFX.

Contributions

- Modernized the CMake code to generate downstream configuration files
 - Allows dynamic library use on the Windows platform
- Kept USD repository up-to-date with MaterialX releases and provided shader registry patches in order to
 - Improve support for boolean and color4 parameters
 - Support MaterialX metadata

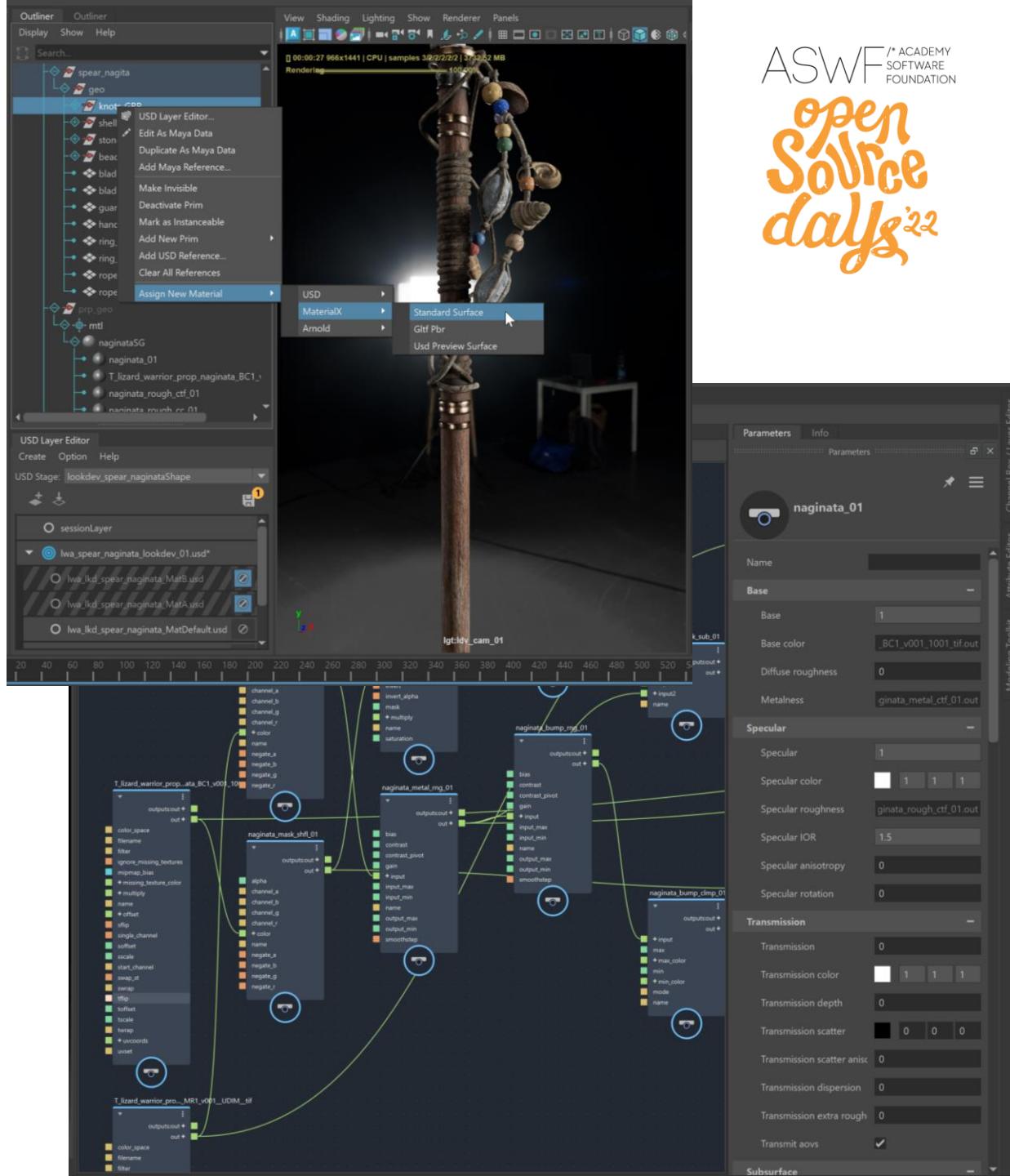
MaterialX in MayaUSD

- Supports MaterialX 1.38.4
- FIS lighting with Maya 2023.2 dome lights
- Tangent generator and color management nodes added when required
- Export/import/render Maya utility nodes and component level connections
 - place2dTexture
 - LookdevKit:colorCorrect



LookdevX - Material Editor

- Portable material workflows
 - MaterialX nodegraphs
 - MaterialX and Arnold nodegraphs encoded in USD
 - Can support different DCCs and renderers
- Artist Friendly
 - Fully featured graph management
 - Troubleshooting & Graph toolsets
 - Authoring & Publishing workflows
- Available soon in the Maya beta program
 - MaterialX and Arnold nodegraphs using Maya USD workflows



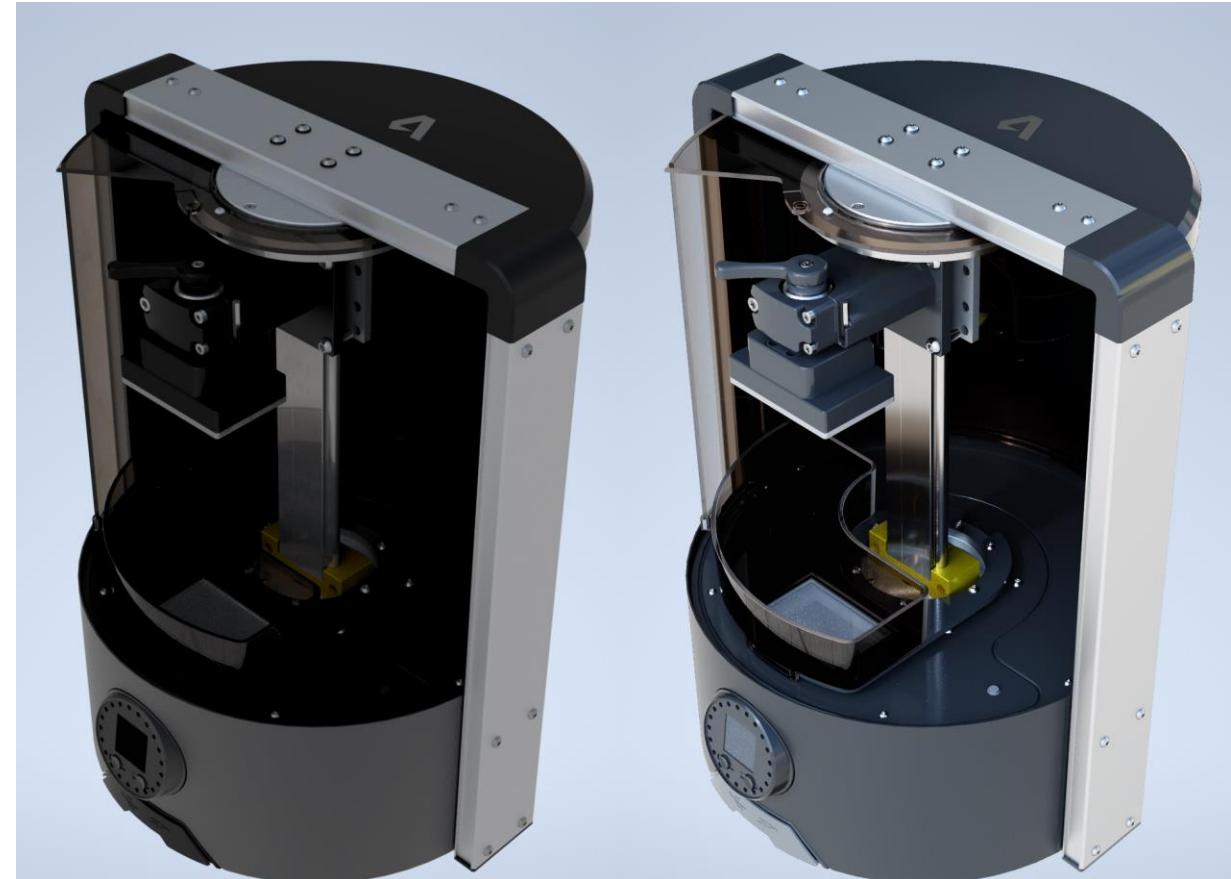
Autodesk Material Library

- Standard material library will help artists get up and running quickly
- Calibrated HDR and real-world lights



MaterialX in Autodesk Inventor

- Manufacturing Materials
 - Legacy materials to Standard Surface
 - Heavy use of procedurals, units and height maps.
- Improvements in appearance quality

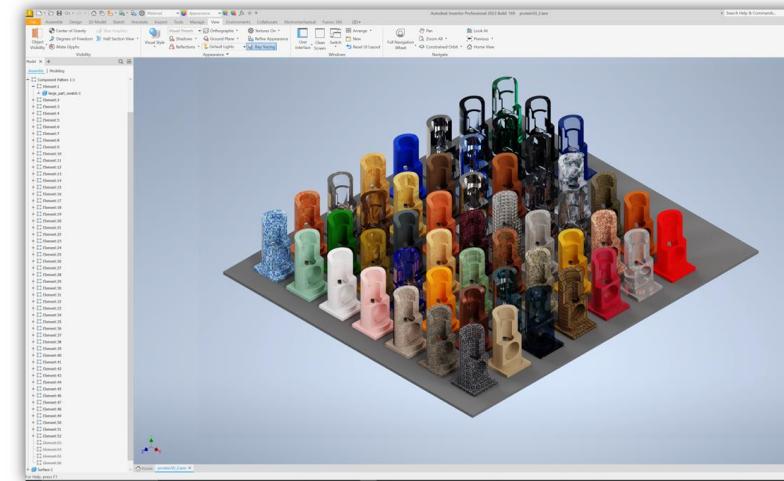


Model: Autodesk Ember 3D Printer.
Legacy materials (left) and Standard Surface (right)

Material Translation using MaterialX

- Use Case: Export data for viewing.
 - Apple AR – USDZ
 - Web Viewers – glTF
- Shader Translation Graphs
 - Introduced in MaterialX 1.38.4
 - Convert from Standard Surface to usdPreviewSurface and glTF-pbr.
 - See ASWF OSD 2021 slides for details.

https://www.materialx.org/assets/ASWF OSD2021_MaterialX_slides_final.pdf



Autodesk Inventor 2023
GPU Ray Tracing



Exported to glTF (top)
and USDZ (bottom)

Model Credit: Test scene courtesy Roberto Ziche (Autodesk)

MaterialX in Arnold

- MaterialX supported since Arnold 5.1 (2018)
 - API and tools to exchange materials between DCCs in production
 - Arnold support both OSL code generation and Arnold native nodes in MaterialX documents
- Sneak peek: USD/MaterialX support
 - Compatible with Maya USD, LookdevX, and Houdini Solaris
 - Works in the Hydra render delegate and the Arnold procedural
 - New API in Arnold to generate inline OSL from a MaterialX node reference





AUTODESK Arnold



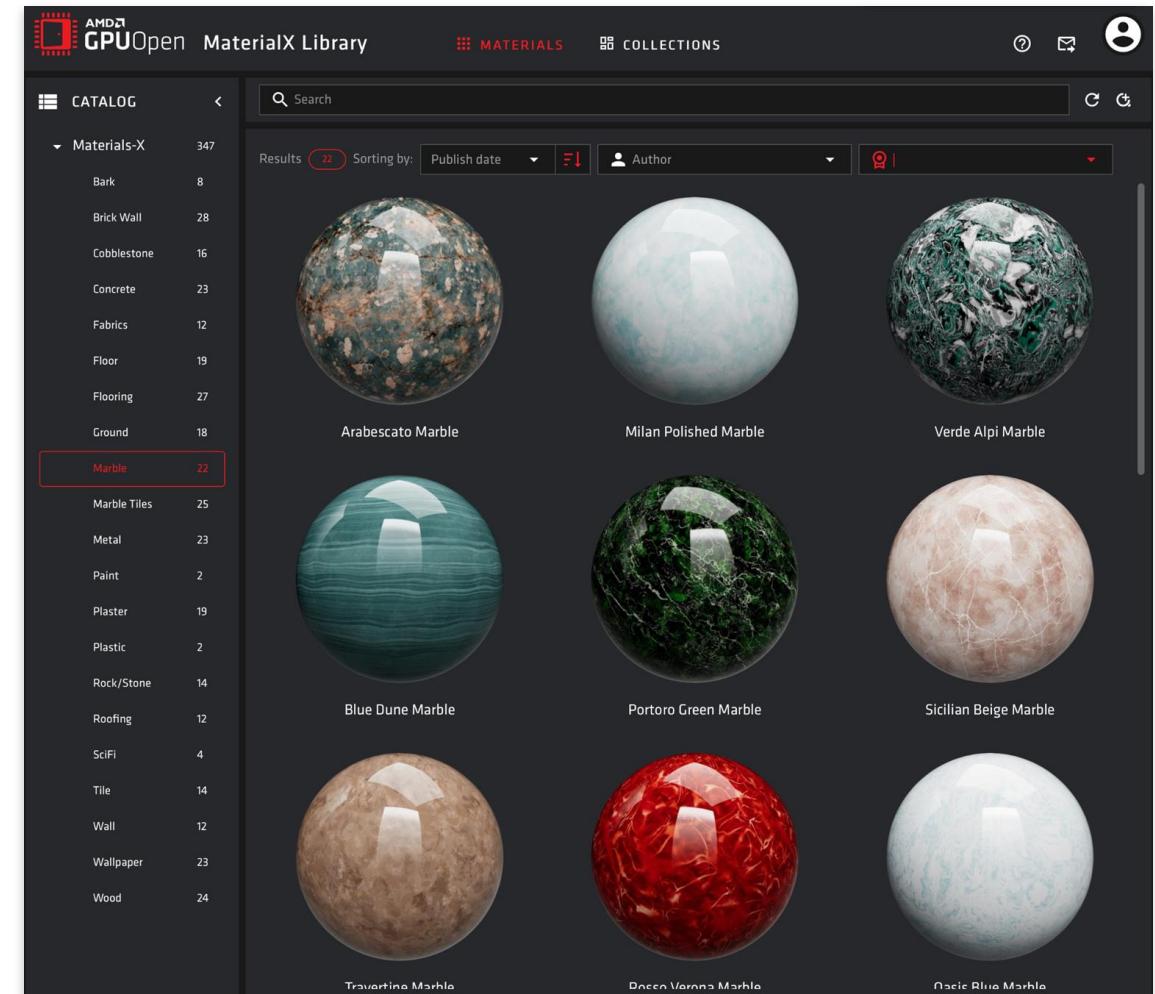
AUTODESK Arnold

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AMD MaterialX Library (and more!)

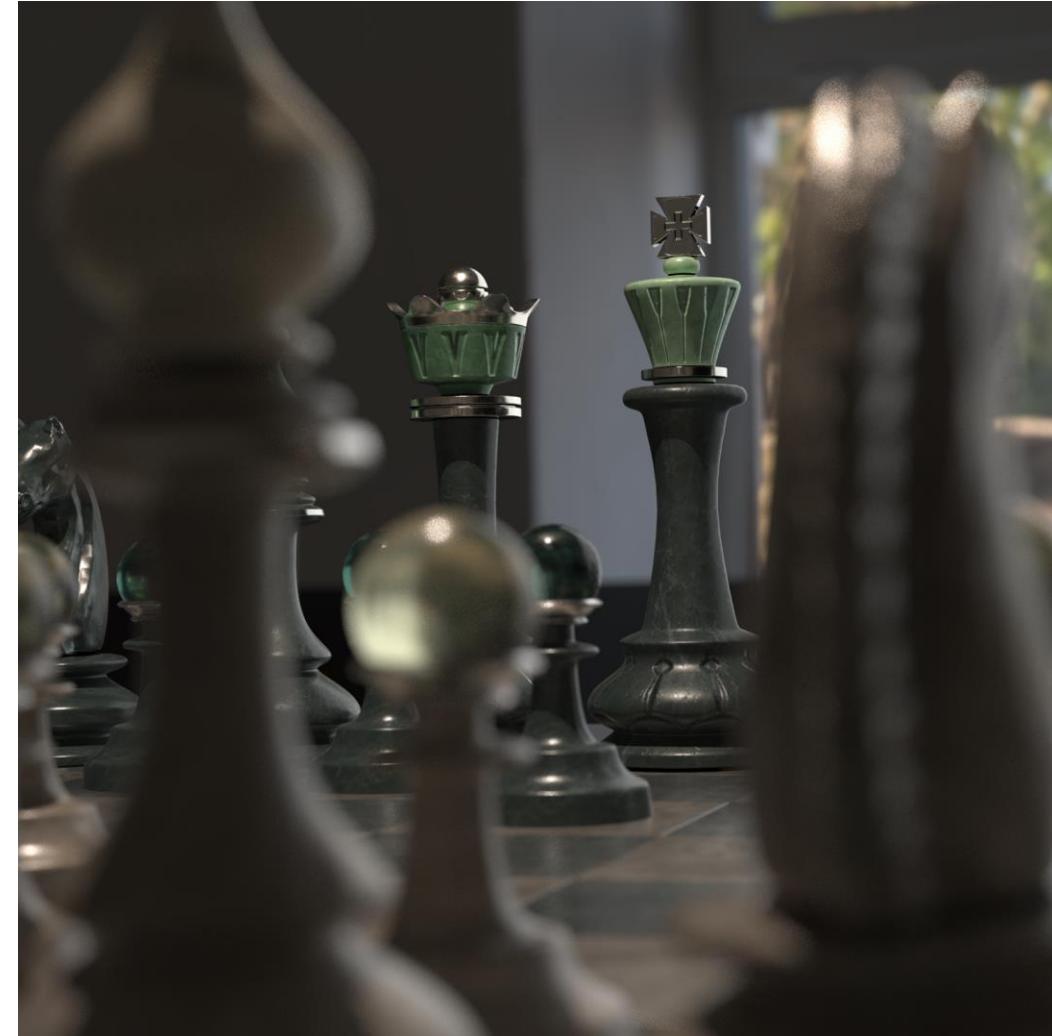
Free MaterialX Library on GPUOpen.com

- 347 permissive licensed materials... and growing
- Mostly PBR map style, some procedural
- REST API for integration
- Users contributions encouraged



GPU rendering of MaterialX with Radeon ProRender

- Three rendering backends: Vulkan, OpenCL 1.2, Metal
- CPU/GPU rendering on AMD, and competitors.
- MaterialX 1.38
- Closed Source but very permissive licensing

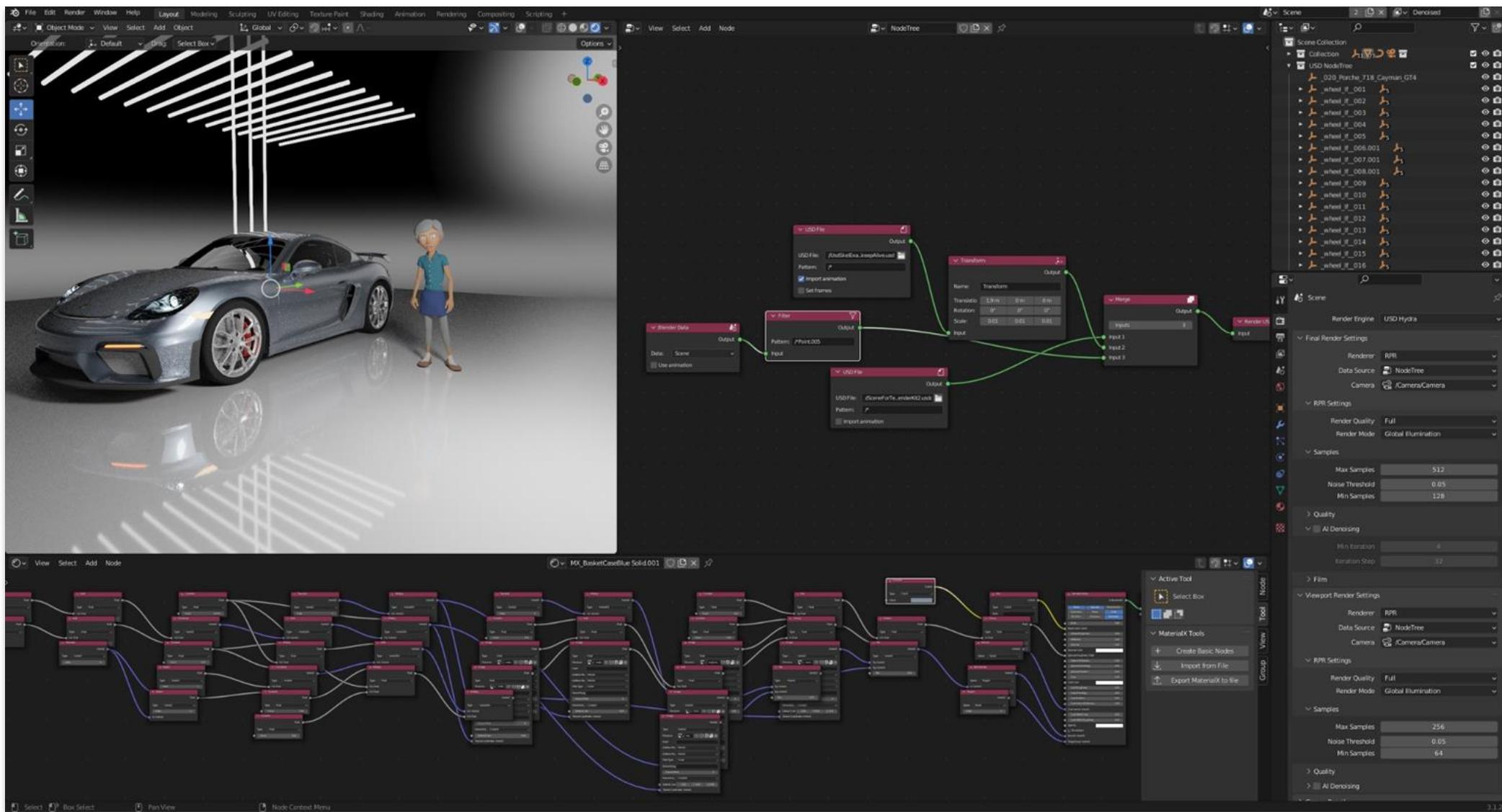


Plugins and Blender USD / MaterialX

- Radeon ProRender focused on USD / MaterialX workflow
- Plugins for Autodesk Inventor, Houdini, Maya, Blender...
- Blender plugin with MaterialX and USD editing, working to integrate fully into Blender source.



Blender MaterialX and USD Workflow





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MaterialX / glTF Update

Bernard Kwok (Khronos/MaterialX) and Pablo Delgado (Enscape)

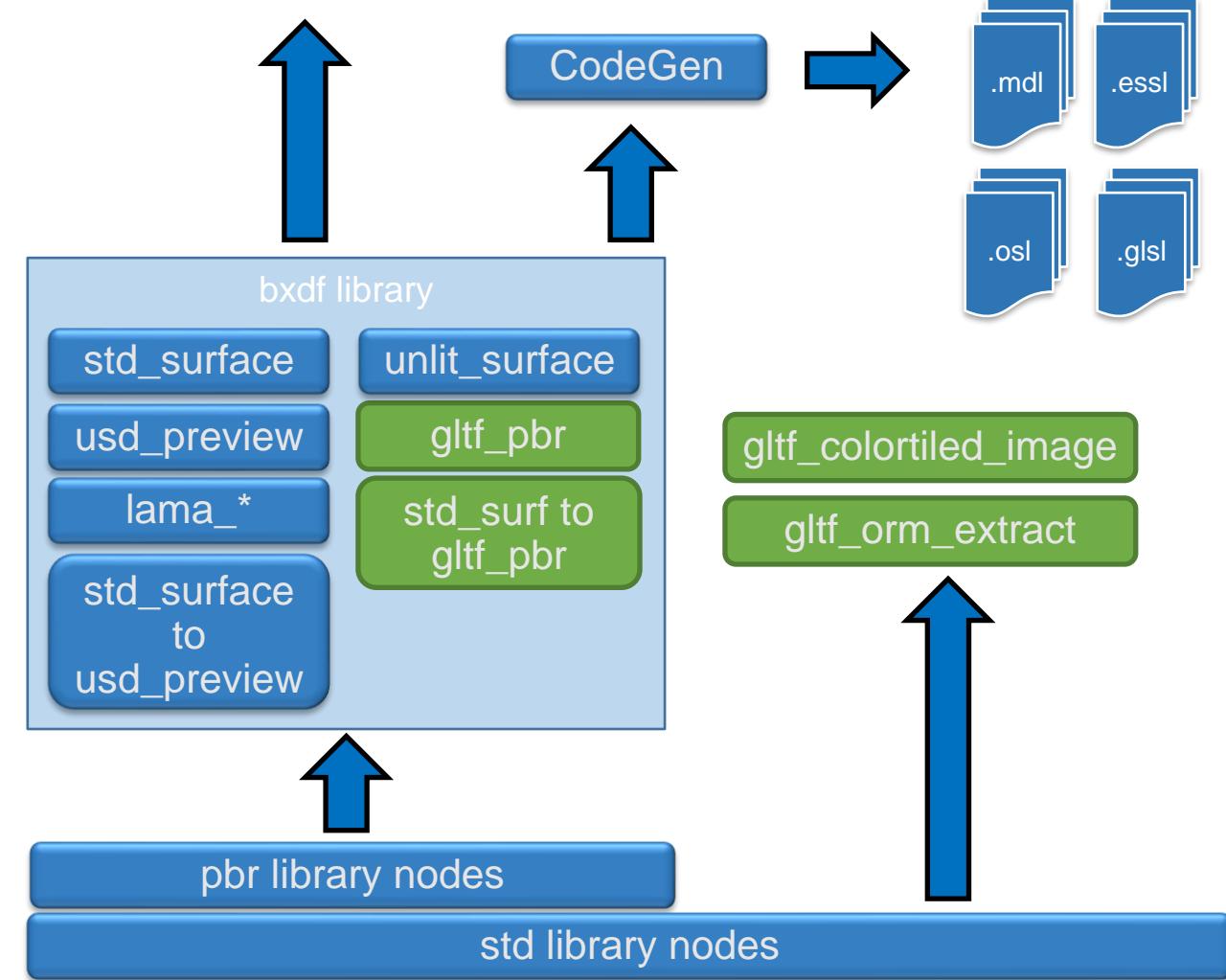
Outline

- gITF
 - gITF Materials in the MaterialX Ecosystem
 - gITF Interoperability
- Web Updates
 - Assets and Visualization
 - Rendering and Validation
- What's Next



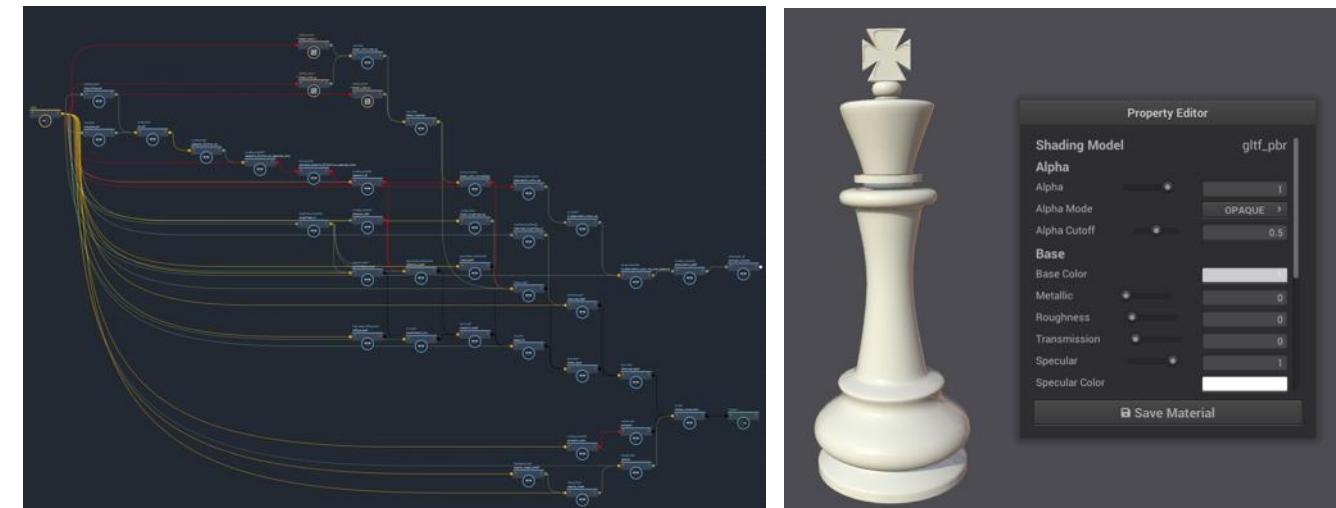
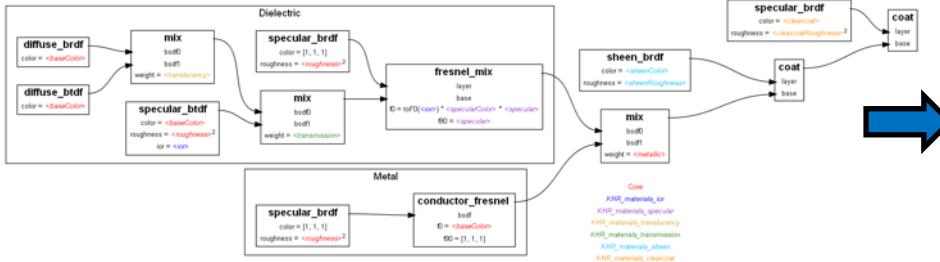
Introducing glTF to MaterialX

- MaterialX [v1.38.4](#)
- New **gltf_pbr** shading model definition available (from Tobias Häußler)
- Building blocks: standardized node libraries
- In progress:
 - Shader translation graphs
 - Pattern definitions
 - Colored image
 - Image channel extract and combine.



The glTF PBR Shading Model

- KHR transmission, specular, ior, sheen, clearcoat, volume, emissive strength support.
- Iridescence, diffuse transmission to come.
- Help drive pbr improvements (e.g., thin-walled material support)



[Left: PBR Layering](#) (Courtesy Tobias Häußler). Middle: MaterialX nodegraph,(Courtesy Nicolas Savva, Autodesk). Right: definition and UI (from MaterialXView). Chessboard assets by Moeen Sayed and Mujtaba Sayed for SideFX.

- Details: [Khronos Siggraph 2022 BOF](#)



gltf PBR Support

- Use definition like any other shading model
 - Version, limits, UI hints metadata
 - Arbitrary nodegraph inclusion
 - Definition creation
 - Materials and assignments



"King" from chessboard assets by Moeen Sayed and Mujtaba Sayed for SideFX.

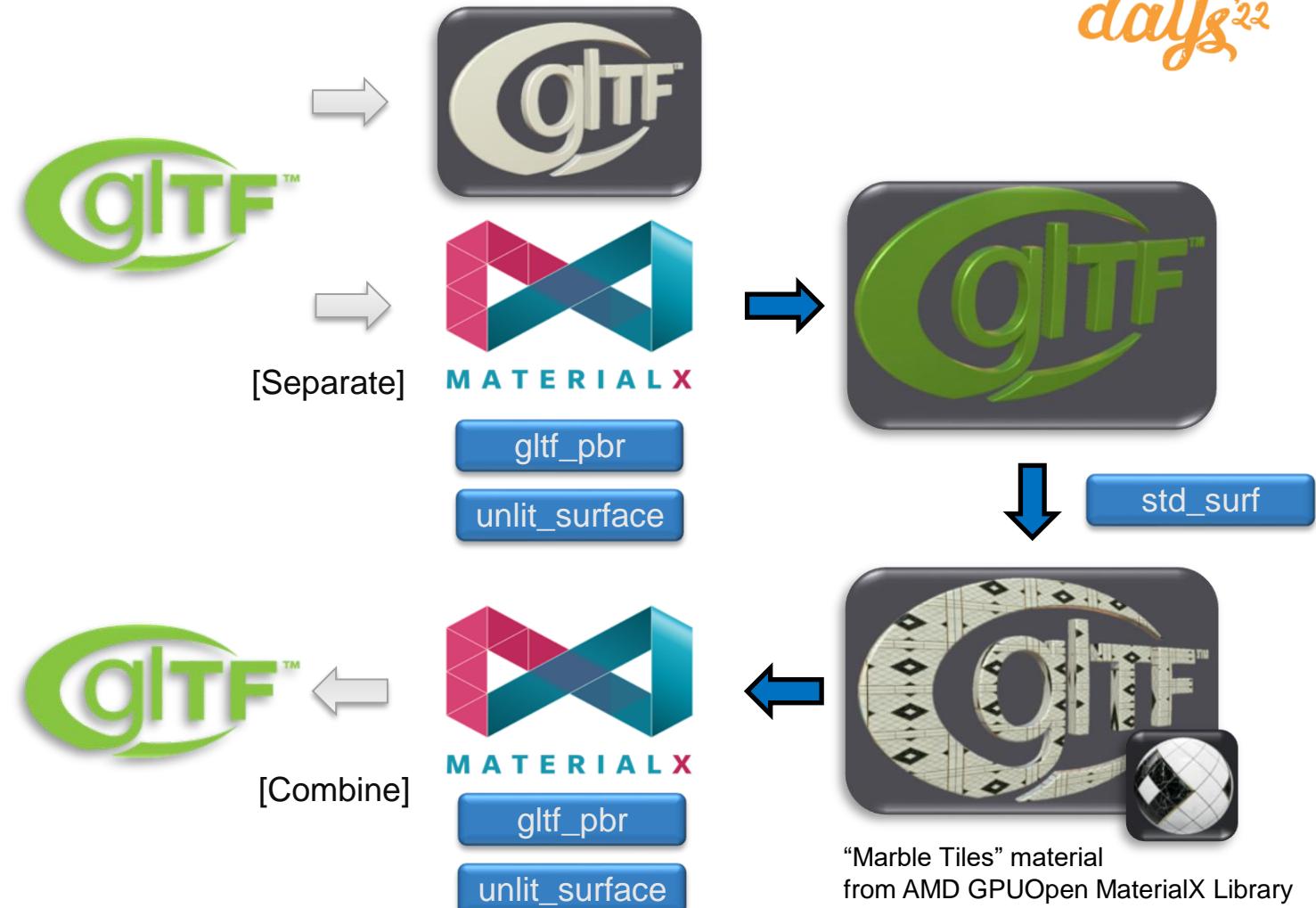
- Multiple backend shader generators (GLSL, ESSL, OSL, MDL etc.)



"boombox" sample model from Khronos. MDL sample viewer from NVIDIA. MaterialX example courtesy Ashwin Bhat, Autodesk)

MaterialX Workflows

- MaterialX workflows: authoring / lookdev / rendering
- *Separation* of materials, assignments, bindings
- Optional glTF translation
- Considerations:
 - Value resolves
 - UV Transform spaces
 - Path conventions
 - Binary resources
 - Units, color management



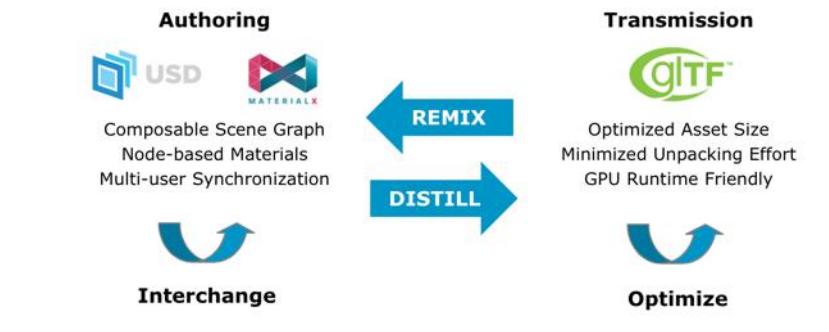
Remapping / Distillation Workflow



Rendered using: MaterialXView (left 3 courtesy Christian Robles, Autodesk) and [Dassault Enterprise PBR Sample Renderer Demo Viewer](#) (right-most). Model and textures for “King” from chessboard assets by Moeen Sayed and Mujtaba Sayed for SideFX.

USD / MaterialX / glTF Ecosystem

- **gltf_pbr** and unlit available in USD 22.08
- glTF's role, responsibilities, and workflows under "Metaverse" umbrella of discussions
- For authoring: USD / MaterialX *interoperability*
- For transmission: glTF *interoperation*

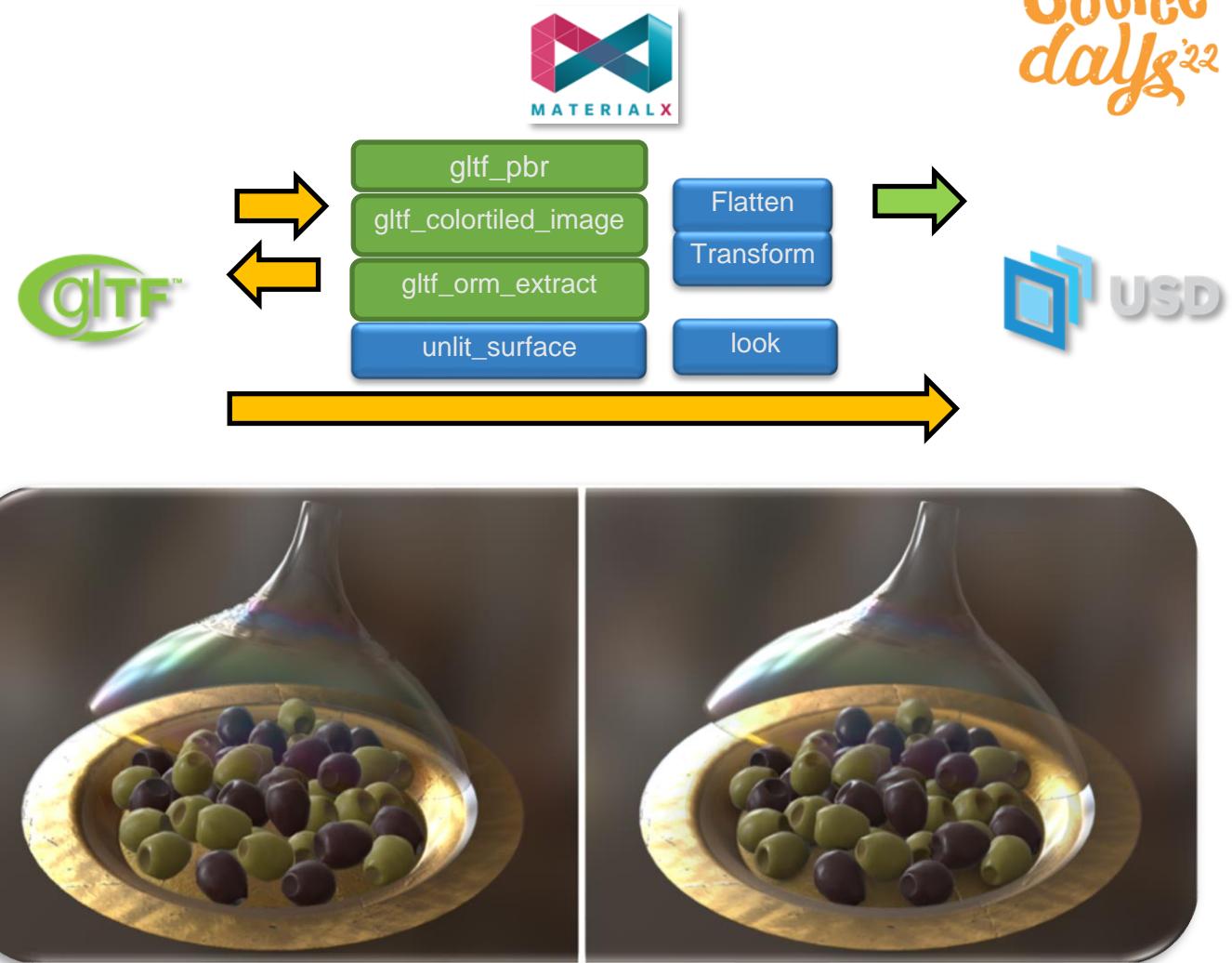


[From: 2022 Metaverse Standards Forum](#)



gltf Interoperation

- MaterialX gltf_pbr to glTF import / export in progress.
[\(Khronos fork\)](#), [guc](#)
 - Material variants, unlit to come
- [guc](#): glTF to USD+MaterialX converter via MaterialX graph creation or direct to USD.
- Standardize target MaterialX graph and utilities in Khronos or core MaterialX



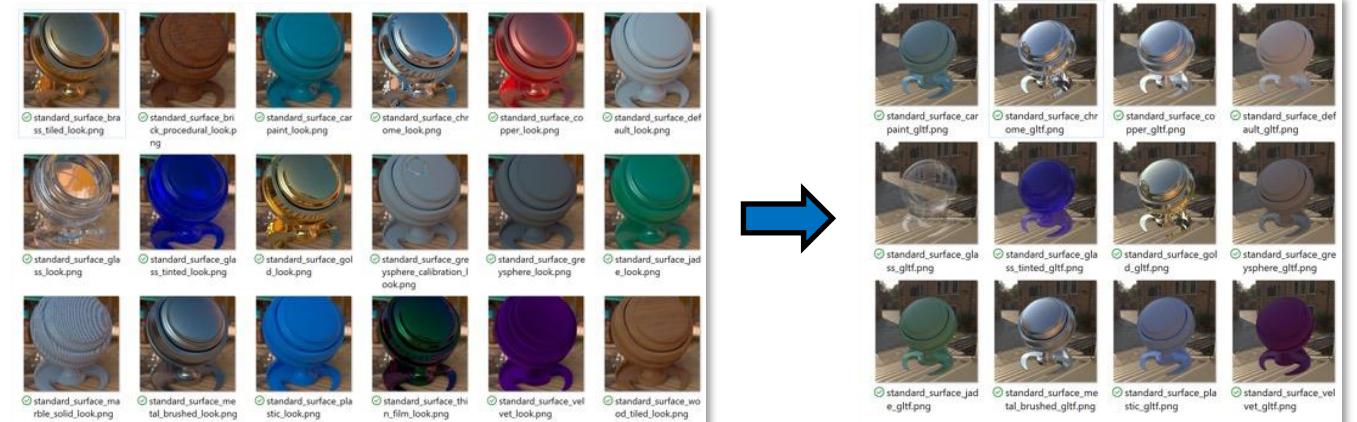
USD+MaterialX in hdStorm

gltf Sample Viewer

Wayfair's Iridescent Dish with Olives asset ([CC BY](#)). Example courtesy Pablo Delgado.

Shader Generation and Rendering Validation

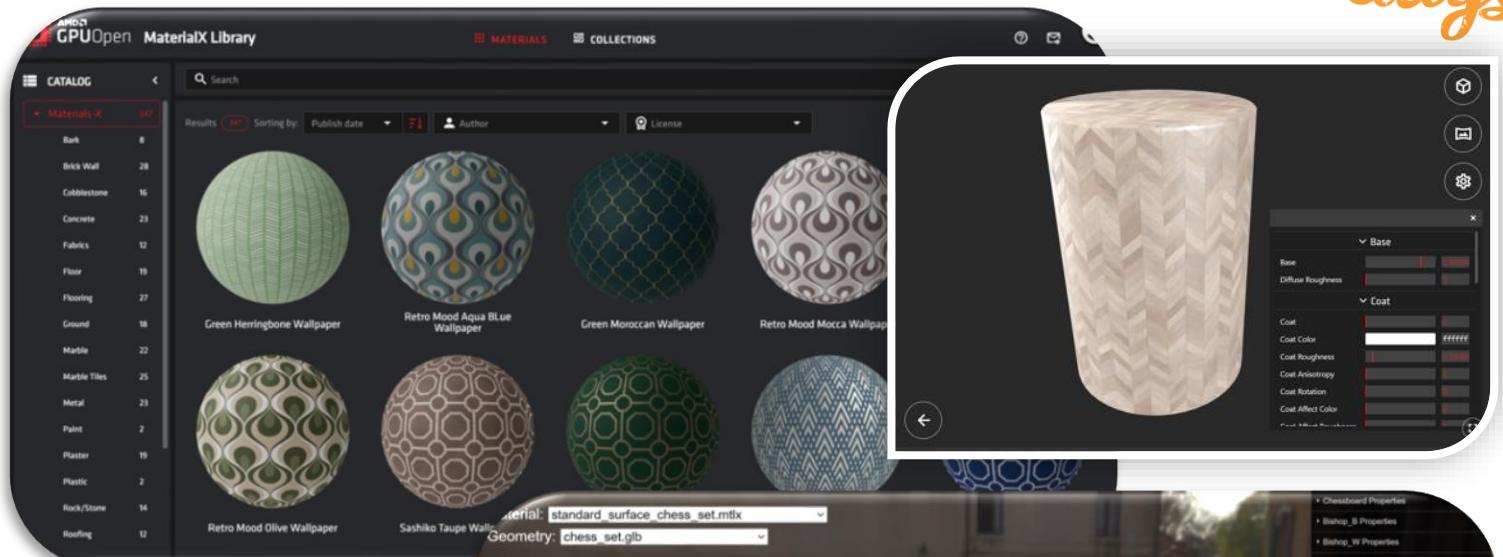
- *glslangValidator* for ESSL and Vulkan shader validation
- Extend test assets (e.g. [glTF Sample Library](#) or [Cesium Examples](#) etc.)
- Open Source Reference Rasterizers and Path tracers
 - glTF for OSL “testrender”



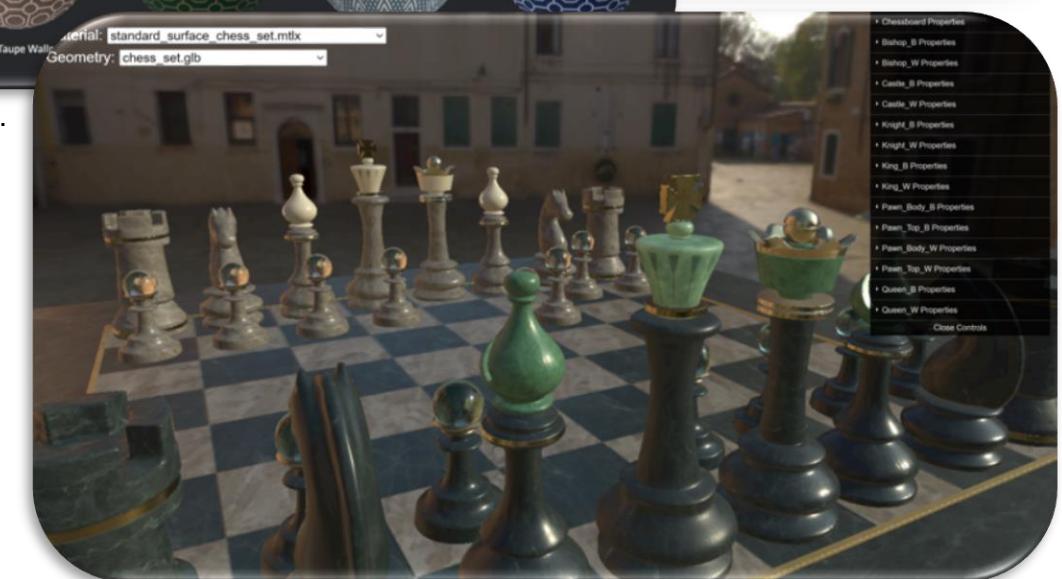
MaterialX example materials rendered using std surface (left) and gltf_pbr (right) to test conversion process. (Images courtesy Christian Robles, Autodesk)

Assets and Visualization

- Desktop Viewer
 - glTF geometry support
- MaterialX Web Viewer
 - Editability and Performance
 - Assignment support
- AMD GPUOpen MaterialX Web Viewer
 - gltf_pbr materials
- Packaging: npm registry



AMD GPUOpen MaterialX library.



Chessboard assets by Moeen Sayed and Mujtaba Sayed for SideFX.

Summary and Future

- glTF material model in MaterialX ecosystem
 - Current and future extensions
- Complete export workflow
 - Translation graphs, baking of procedural patterns
- Validation via open-source reference path tracers
 - Desktop: OSL “testrender”
 - Web: Dassault Renderer, other?
- Improve real-time performance / configurability
 - Shader generation variants
 - Stream requirements
- Extend transmission formats
 - Standard shading models and shader node graph support ?
 - Meta data: Color management, real world units ?

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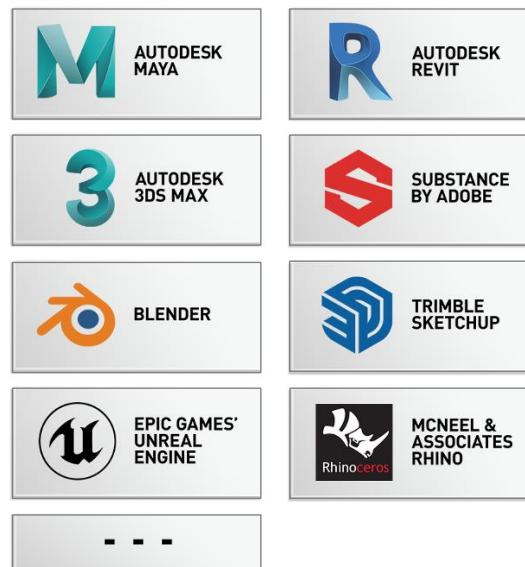
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MaterialX in NVIDIA Omniverse

Lutz Kettner
Director Rendering and Materials
NVIDIA

NVIDIA Omniverse

Enabling workflows



Top Industry Tools

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Realtime Collaboration

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Open Standards





MDL SDK Open Source Release

<https://github.com/NVIDIA/MDL-SDK>



23 releases shipped since SIGGRAPH 2018

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Full MDL SDK

- + MDL Core API
- + MDL Core Definitions and more

Contributions welcome, standard CLA available

Omniverse Core Materials are Open Source too

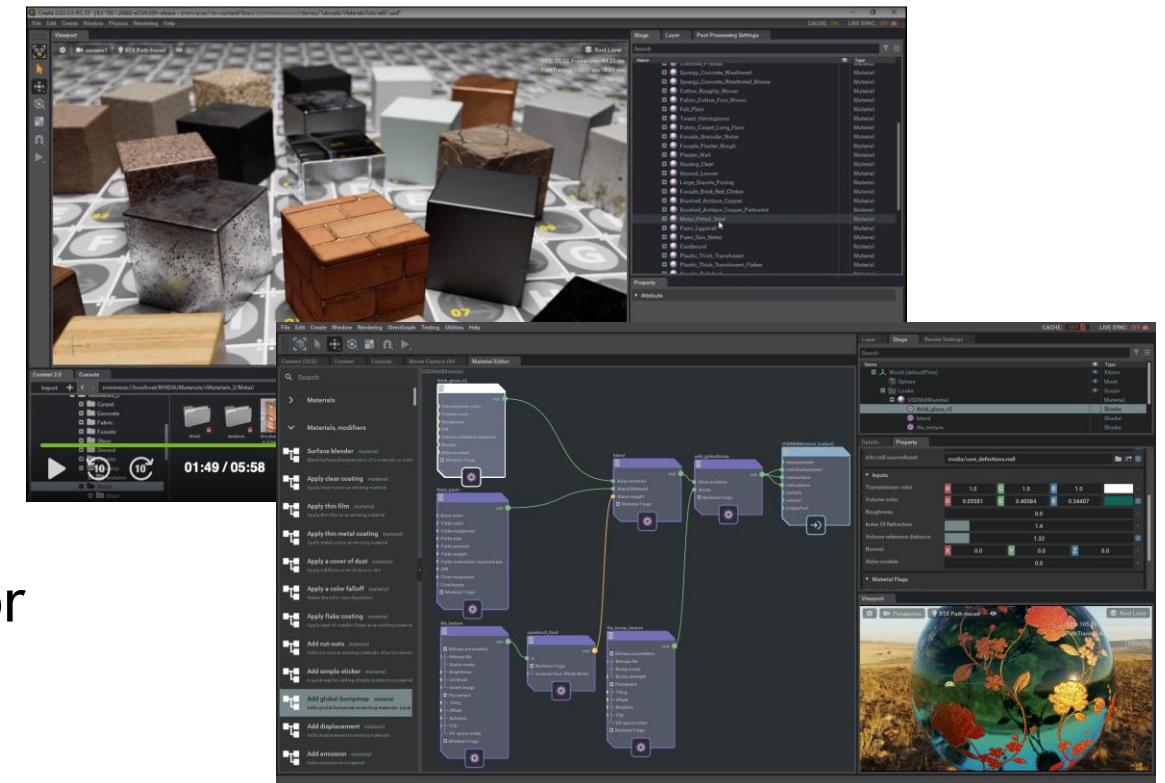
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OmniPbr family

OmniSurface family

Core definitions in the material graph editor





MATERIALX



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MDL

MaterialX and ShaderGen

MaterialX

An open standard for network-based CG object looks

Originally developed by Lucasfilm

<https://www.materialx.org/>

MaterialX Physically-Based Shading Nodes

Data types, nodes, and node graphs for layered physically-based shading

<https://www.materialx.org/assets/MaterialX.v1.38.PBRSpec.pdf>

ShaderGen

Transforms the agnostic MaterialX descriptions into executable code for a specific renderer

Contribution by Autodesk

<https://github.com/materialx/MaterialX/blob/master/documents/DeveloperGuide/ShaderGeneration.md>

MaterialXGenMdl

Library for MDL Code Generation

Official part of MaterialX 1.38 repository

Open Source Release

<https://github.com/materialx/MaterialX>

Joint development from



The screenshot shows the GitHub repository page for `materialx/MaterialX`. The page includes sections for Code, Issues, Pull requests, Actions, Projects, Security, and Insights. Key features shown include:

- Code:** A list of recent commits from `main` and `1 branch`, with 16 tags available.
- Issues:** 6 open issues.
- Pull requests:** 1 open pull request.
- Actions:** GitHub Actions status.
- Projects:** Project board status.
- Security:** Security audit status.
- Insights:** Code coverage and performance metrics.
- About:** MaterialX is described as an open standard for transfer of rich material and look-development content between applications and renderers.
- Releases:** Version 1.38.0 (Latest) released 23 days ago, with 15 releases total.
- Packages:** No packages published.
- Contributors:** 18 contributors, with 7 more listed.
- Languages:** C++ 89.7%, Python 3.6%, GLSL 2.5%, CMake 2.1%, C 1.5%, Objective-C 0.6%.



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Viewport

Perspective RTX Path-traced

Root Layer

FPS: 109.20, Frame time: 9.16 ms
NVIDIA Quadro RTX 8000: 4.1 GiB used, 42.7 GiB available
Host Memory: 16.5 GiB used, 15.1 GiB available
PathTracing: 64/64 spp : 3.54 sec
1280x720

Stage

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Material and Shader

Inputs

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Console Content

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standard_surface
TH_Church_Bricks
TH_Medieval_Wood
TH_planks_brown_1
Tiles_Ceramic_1

textures goegap.hdr scene.usda TH_Sandstone_Cra...b.zip ?

Checkpoints

Location does not support Checkpoints.

MaterialX import in Omniverse

Based on usdMtlx plugin in the USD SDK

Two supported representations in USD

1. A reference with an asset path to a MaterialX file

```
references = @./R2D2_Standard_Surface/R2D2_Standard_Surface.mtlx@</MaterialX>
```

2. Flattened to a set of UsdShade nodes

```
uniform token info:id = "ND_swizzle_vector2_float"
```

Based on MaterialX v1.38

MaterialX import in Omniverse

Based on usdMtlx plugin in the USD SDK

Import re-creates a MaterialX document from USD, supports both representations

Uses MaterialXGenMdl to create a corresponding MDL material stored on disc

MDL material is referenced in a single new UsdShade node with sourceType “mdl”

```
def Material "sample" {
    token outputs:mdl:surface.connect = </sample/flex_material.outputs:out>
    ...
    def Shader "flex_material" {
        uniform token info:implementationSource = "sourceAsset"
        uniform asset info:mdl:sourceAsset = @nvidia/core_definitions.mdl@
        uniform token info:mdl:sourceAsset:subIdentifier = "flex_material"
        token outputs:out
        ...
    }
}
```

<https://developer.nvidia.com/usd/MDLschema>

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Details of the workflow TBD

- We don't want to change a USD file just because we opened it, the initial conversion must be transitory, until we start editing it
- Integration into the material graph editor, e.g., two contexts, mtlx and mdl

Expected availability in Q4 2022



Chessboard assets by Moeen Sayed and Mujtaba Sayed for SideFX.



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MaterialXGenMdl

Next steps

Very complete open-source reference implementation of the MaterialX standard nodes

Upgrading from MDL 1.6 to MDL 1.7 completes outstanding limitations

- full layering support for <sheen_bsdf>

- emissive volumes

- arbitrary weights with <add_bsdf>

- non-uniform weights with <mix_edf>

<subsurface_bsdf> node implementation (done!)

See Also

Material Workflows in NVIDIA Omniverse

Lutz Kettner, Director Rendering and Materials, NVIDIA

Francis Liu, Sr. Product Manager for Materials and Rendering for NVIDIA Omniverse, NVIDIA

Thursday 9:00 AM - 9:50 AM

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Room 121/122

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MaterialX Closures for OSL

Adrien Herubel, Sr Manager, Autodesk/Arnold
Chris Kulla, Principal Rendering Programmer, Epic Games,

Presentation outline

- Why introduce a new set of closures ?
- Closure description and OSL testrender implementation status
- Ubershader example
- Next steps

Why introduce a new set of closures ?

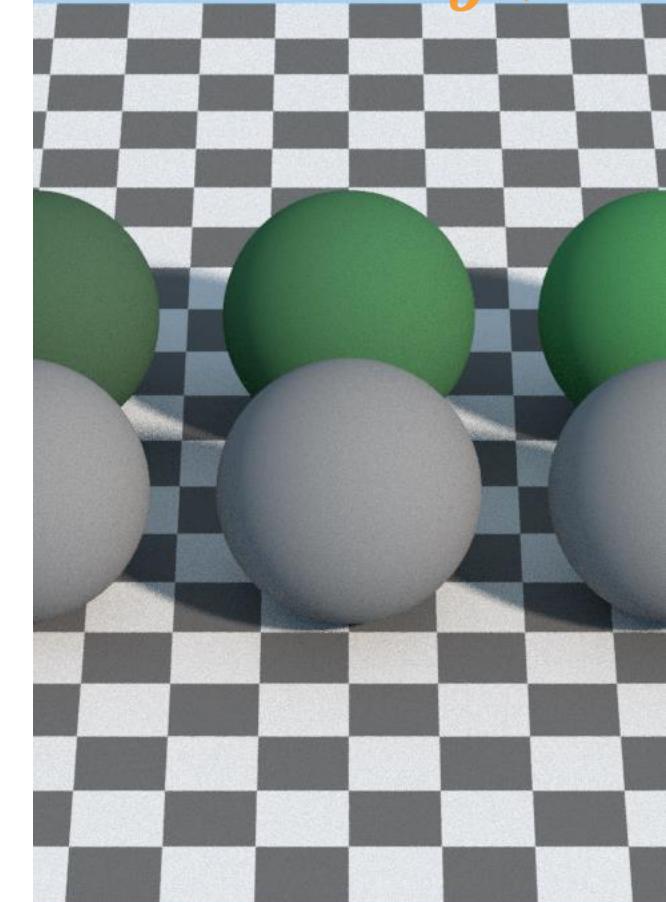
- Existing predefined closures are not all relevant, and loosely implemented in OSL-enabled renderers
- MaterialX generates OSL/GLSL
 - The OSL code generator should rely on a widely supported and fully featured set of closures
- MaterialX and OSL developers worked on a common set of closures capable of representing modern materials

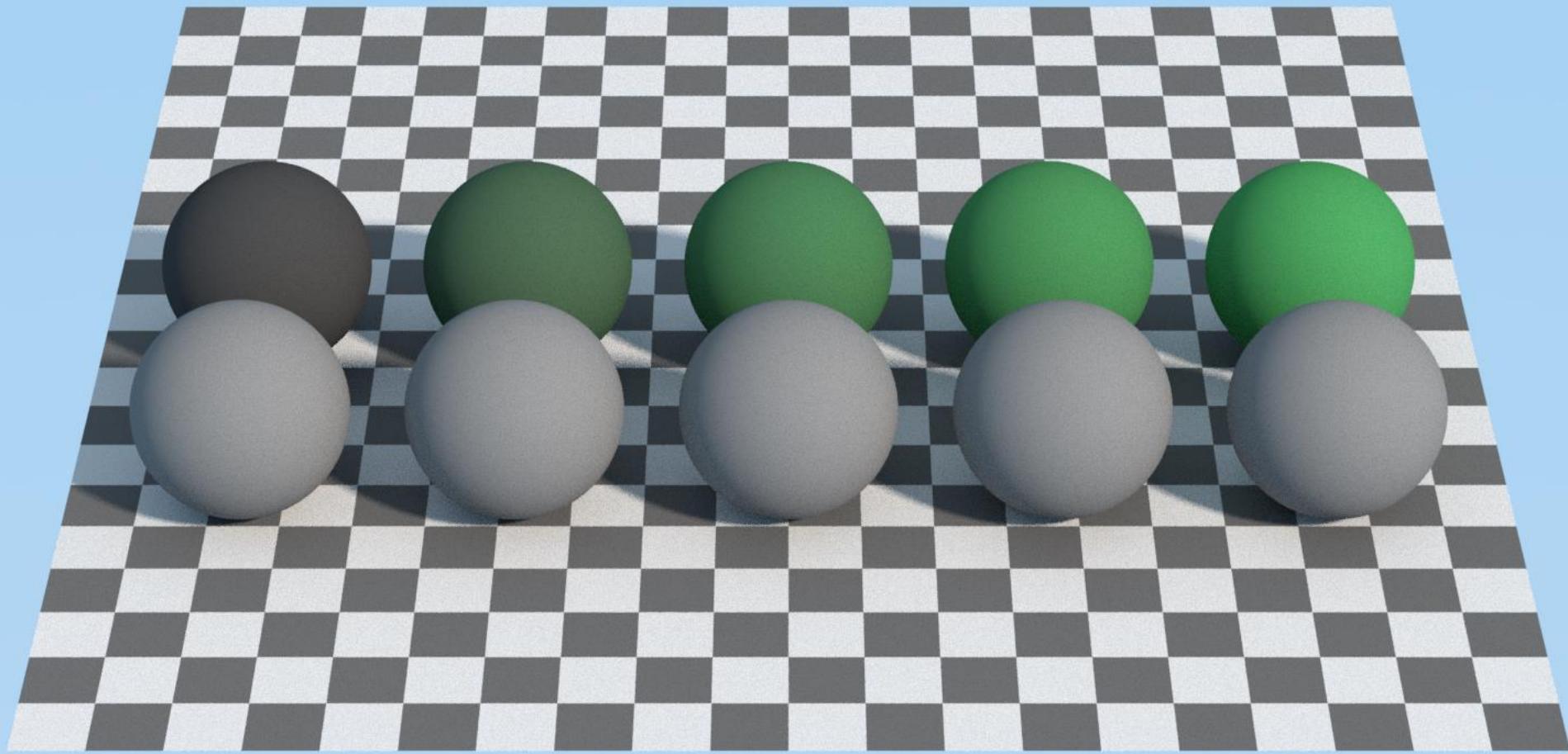
Project status

- The new set of closures is specified and included in OSL as a header
 - See [MaterialX#614](#) and [OpenShadingLanguage#1371](#) for the full discussion
- Ongoing work to provide implementations for all closures in OSL testrender
 - [OSL#1533](#) [OSL#1536](#) [OSL#1537](#) [OSL#1538](#) [OSL#1539](#) [OSL#1541](#) [OSL#1542](#) [OSL#1543](#) [OSL#1547](#)

Diffuse BSDFs

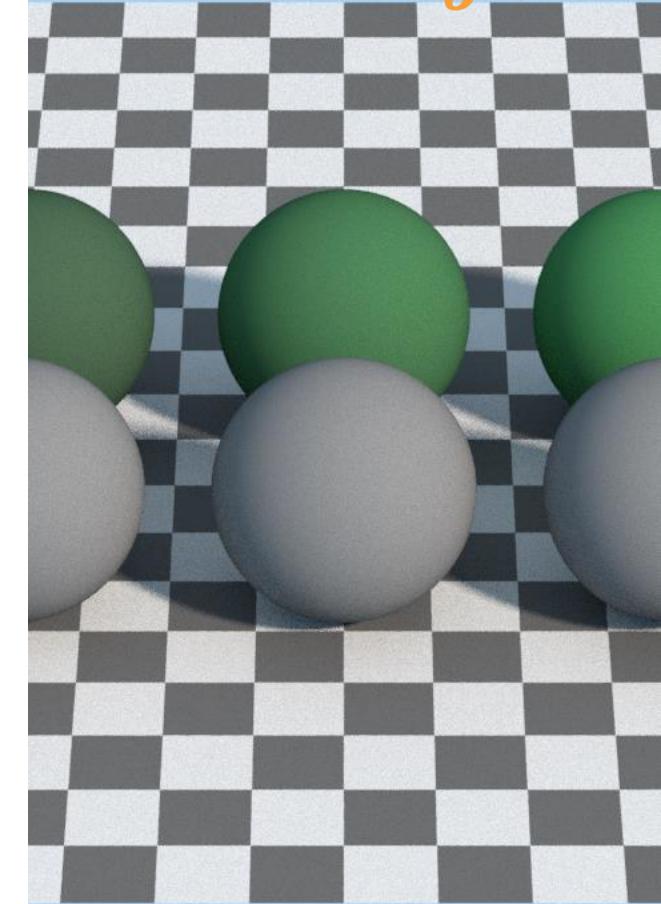
- Oren-Nayar
 - Diffuse reflection BSDF based on the Oren-Nayar reflectance model
 - `oren_nayar_diffuse_bsdf(normal N, color albedo, float roughness)`
 - Implemented in testrender [OSL#1547](#)

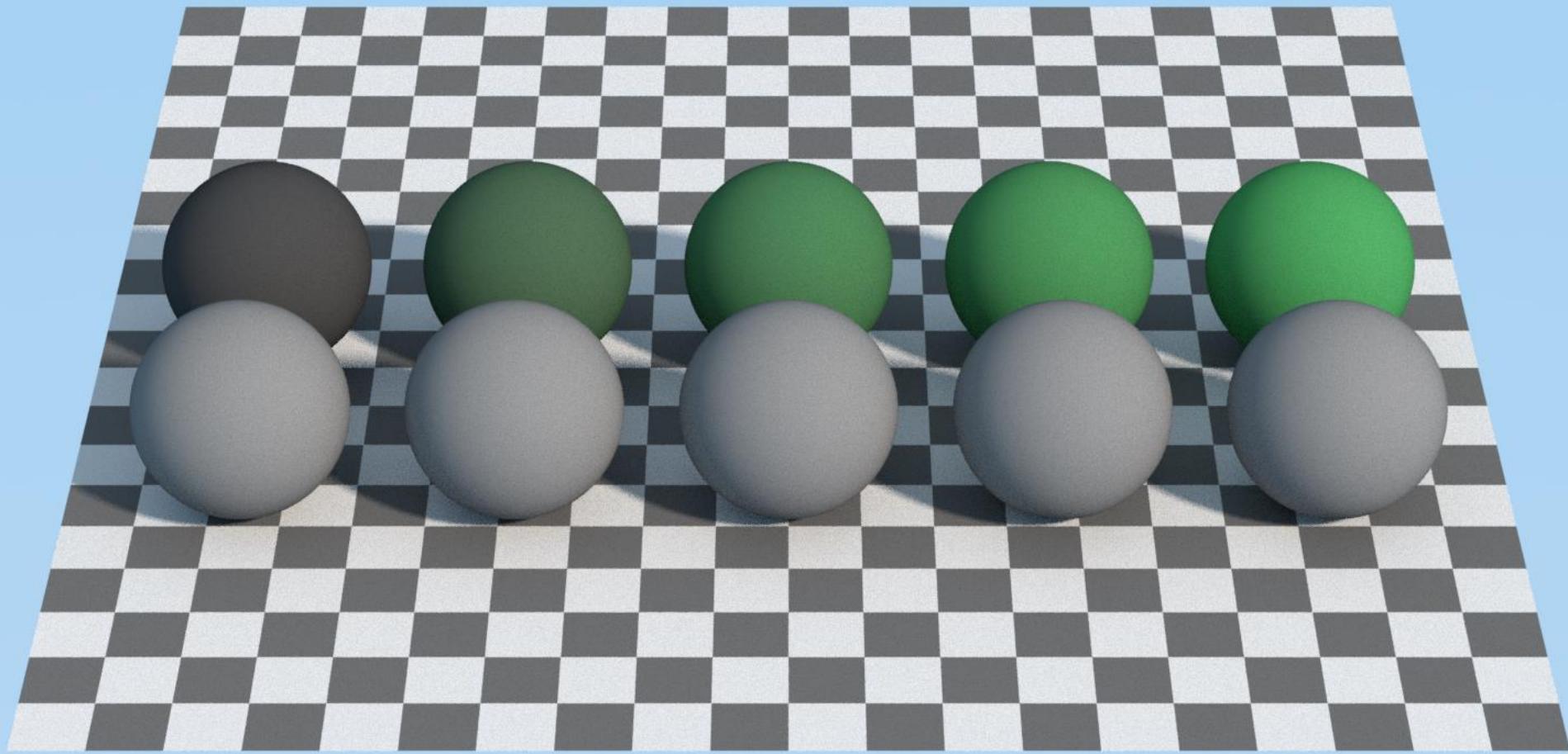




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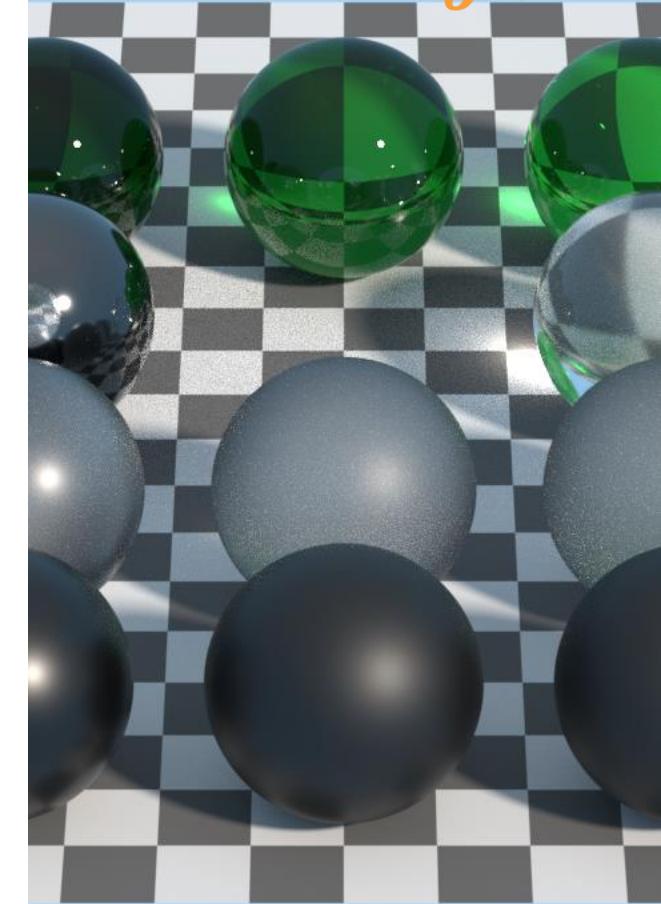
- Burley diffuse
 - Diffuse reflection BSDF based on the corresponding component of the Disney Principled shading model
 - **`burley_diffuse_bsdf(normal N, color albedo, float roughness)`**
 - Implemented in testrender [OSL#1536](#)

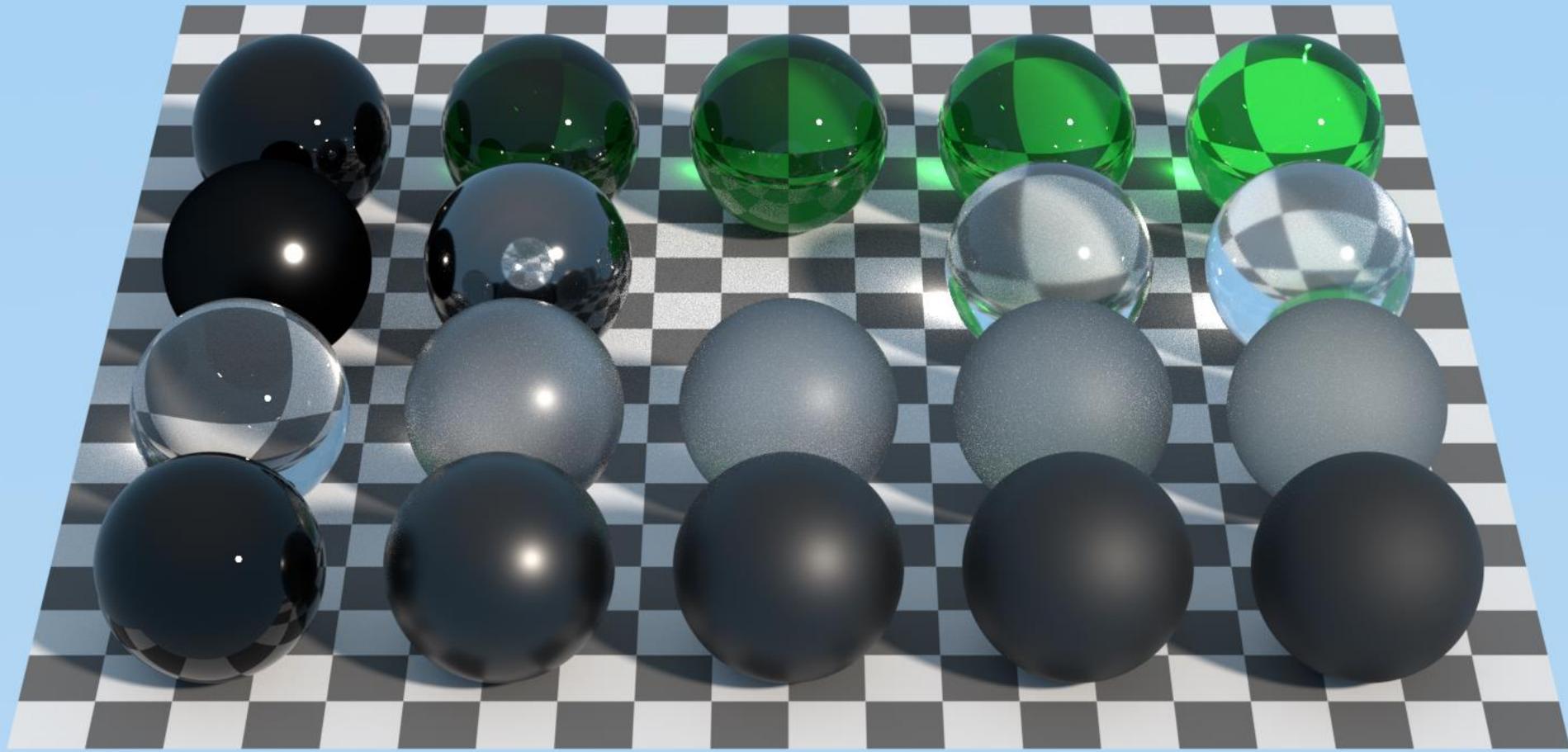




Microfacet BSDFs

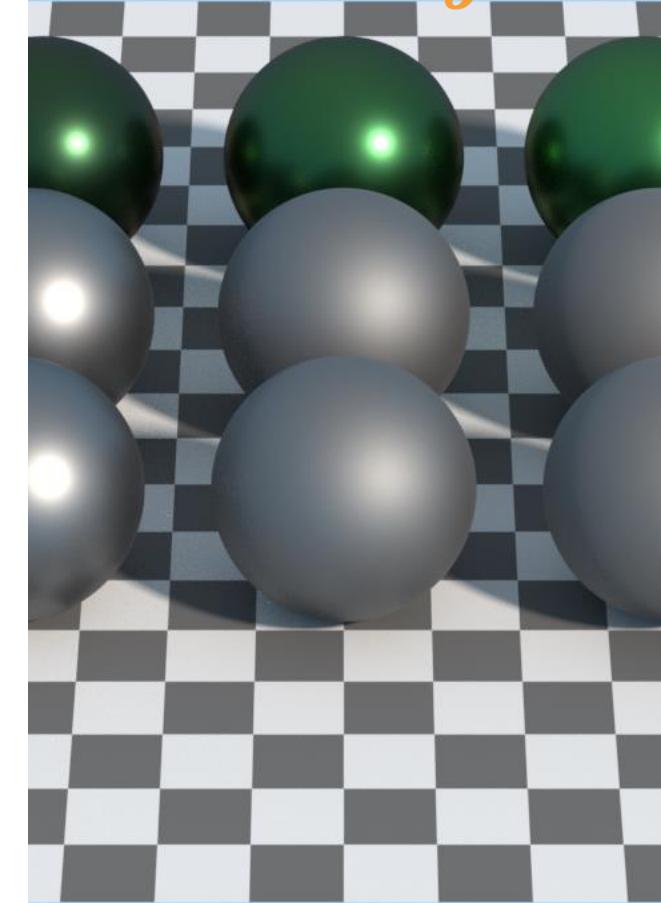
- Dielectric
 - Reflection and/or transmission BSDF based on a microfacet reflectance model and a Fresnel curve for dielectrics
 - **`dielectric_bsdf(normal N, vector U, color reflection_tint, color transmission_tint, float roughness_x, float roughness_y, float ior, string distribution)`**
 - Implemented in testrender [OSL#1541](#)

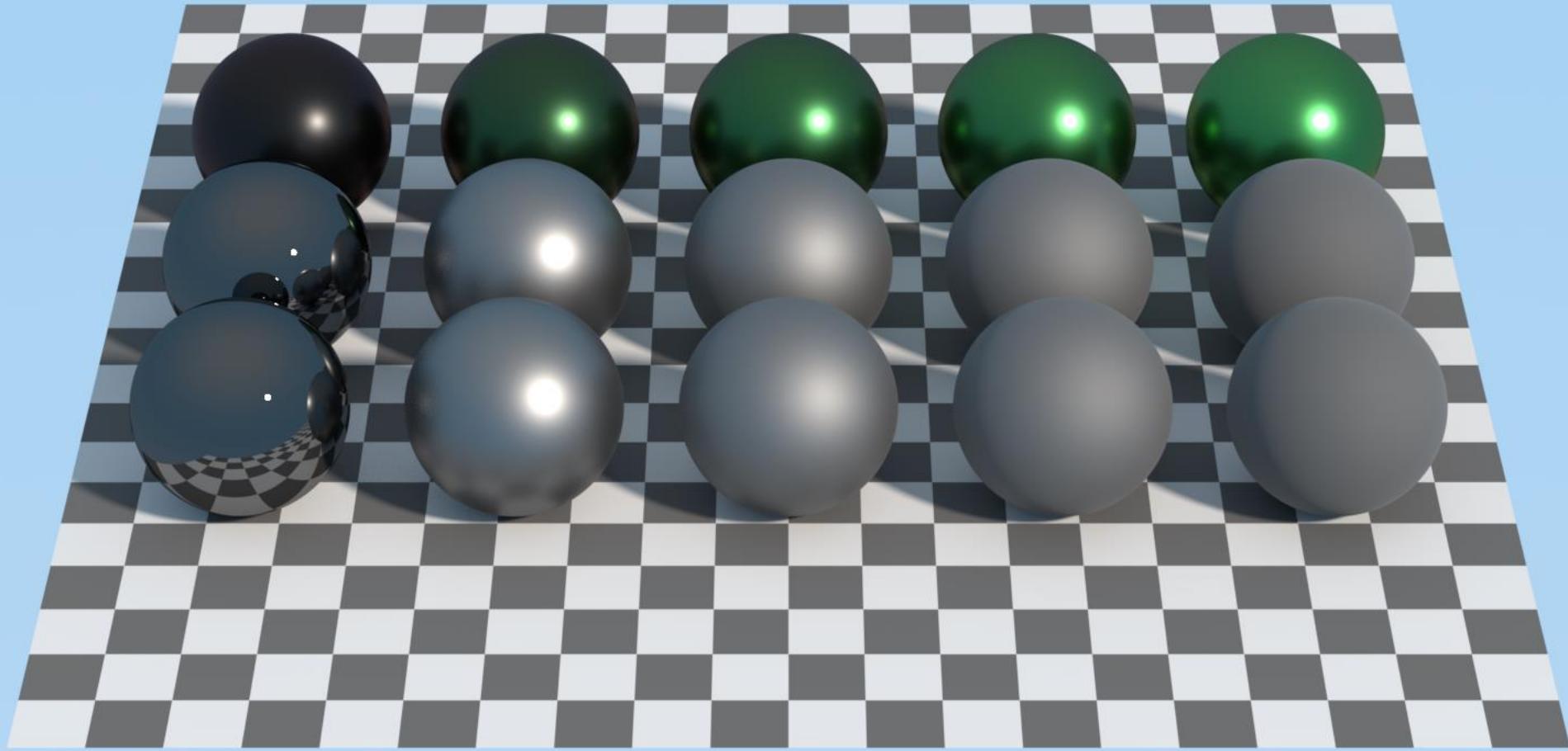




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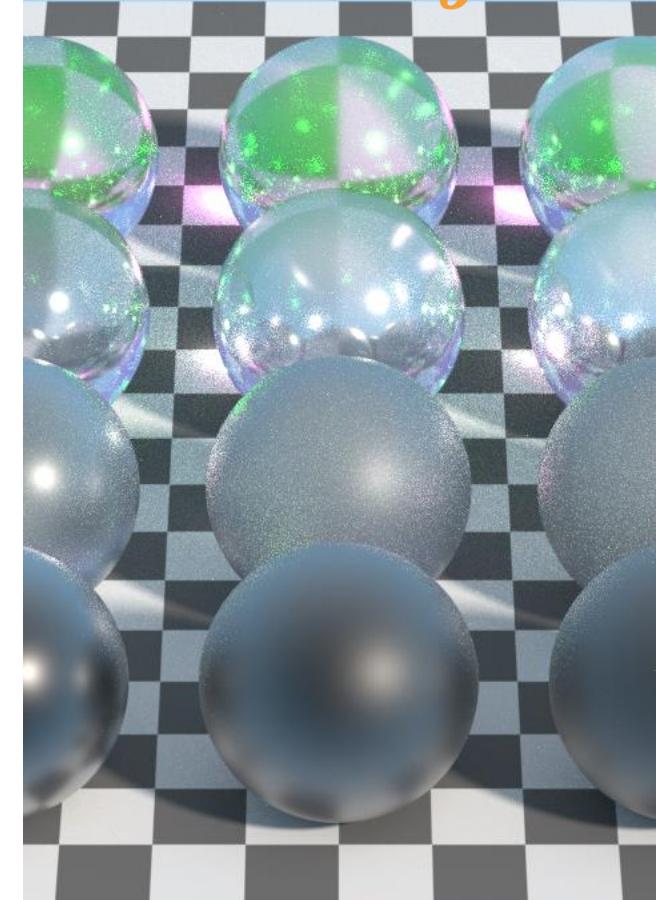
- Conductor
 - Reflection BSDF based on a microfacet reflectance model, it uses a Fresnel curve with complex refraction index for conductors/metals
 - **conductor_bsdf(normal N, vector U, float roughness_x, float roughness_y, color ior, color extinction, string distribution)**
 - Implemented in testrender [OSL#1541](#)

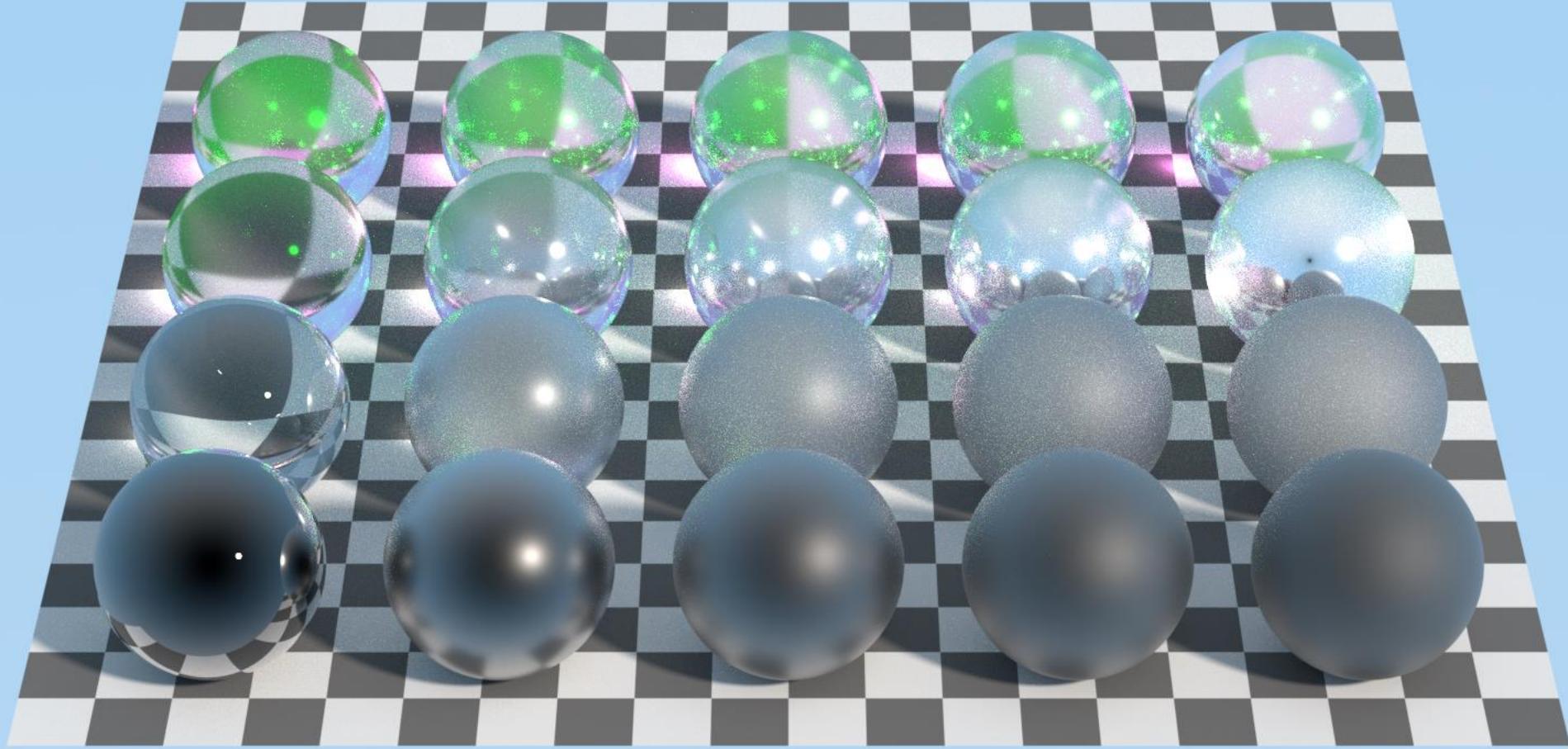




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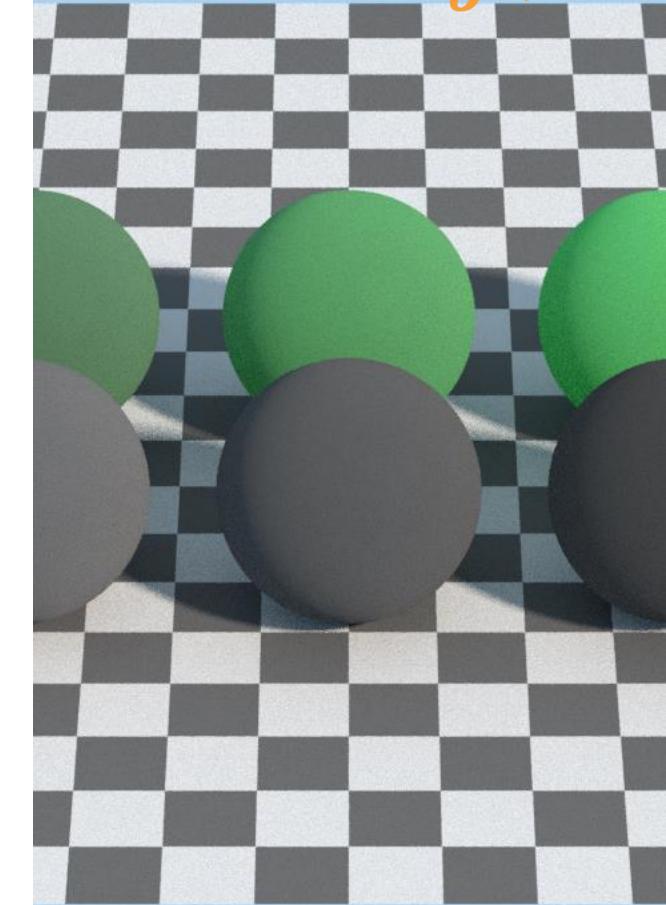
- Generalized Schlick
 - Reflection and/or transmission BSDF based on a microfacet reflectance model and a generalized Schlick Fresnel curve.
 - `generalized_schlick_bsdf(normal N, vector U, color reflection_tint, color transmission_tint, float roughness_x, float roughness_y, color f0, color f90, float exponent, string distribution)`
 - Implemented in testrender [OSL#1541](#)

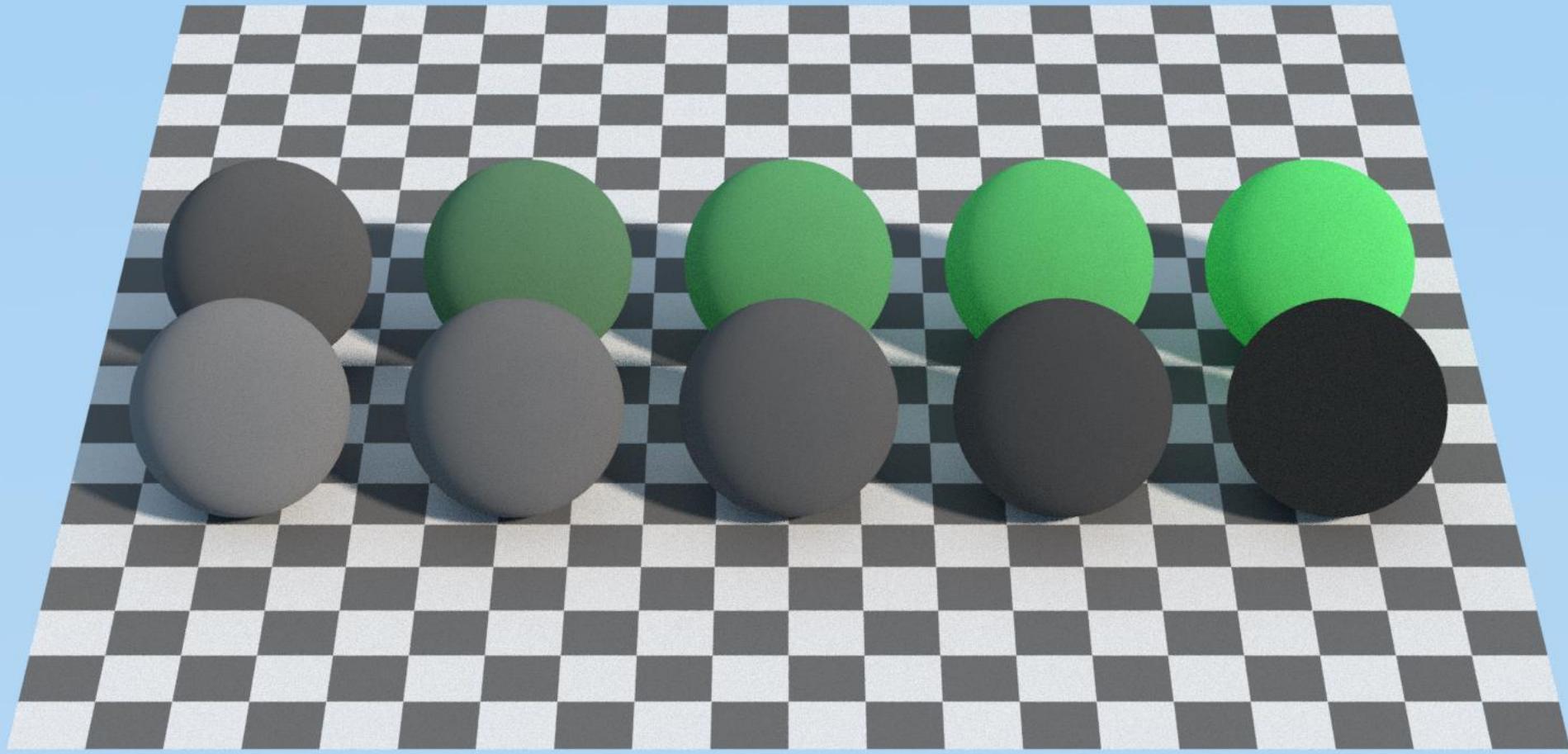




Diffuse transmission

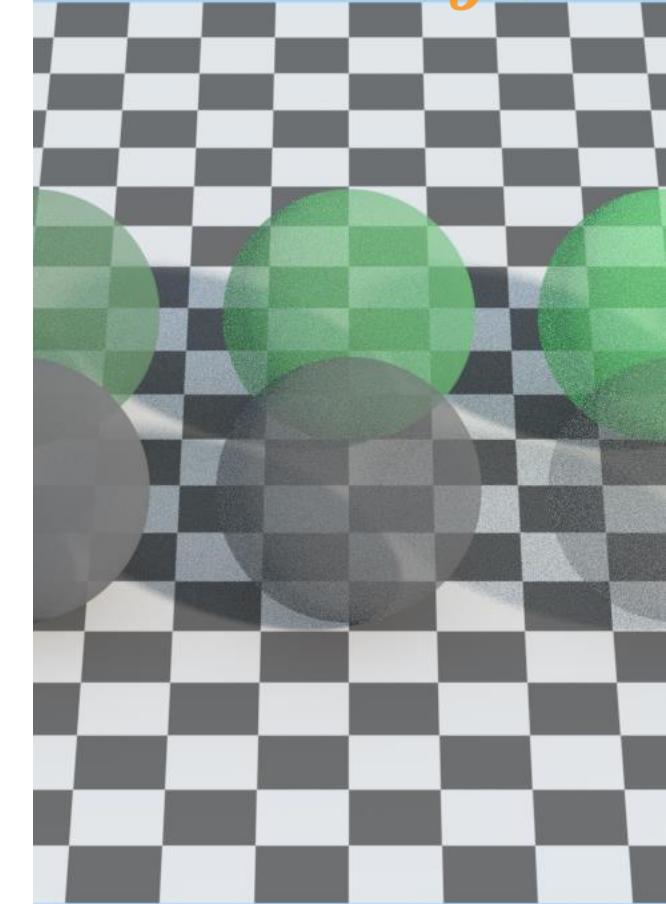
- Translucent
 - translucent (diffuse transmission) BSDF based on the Lambert reflectance model
 - **translucent_bsdf**(*normal N, color albedo*)
 - Implemented in testrender [OSL#1547](#)

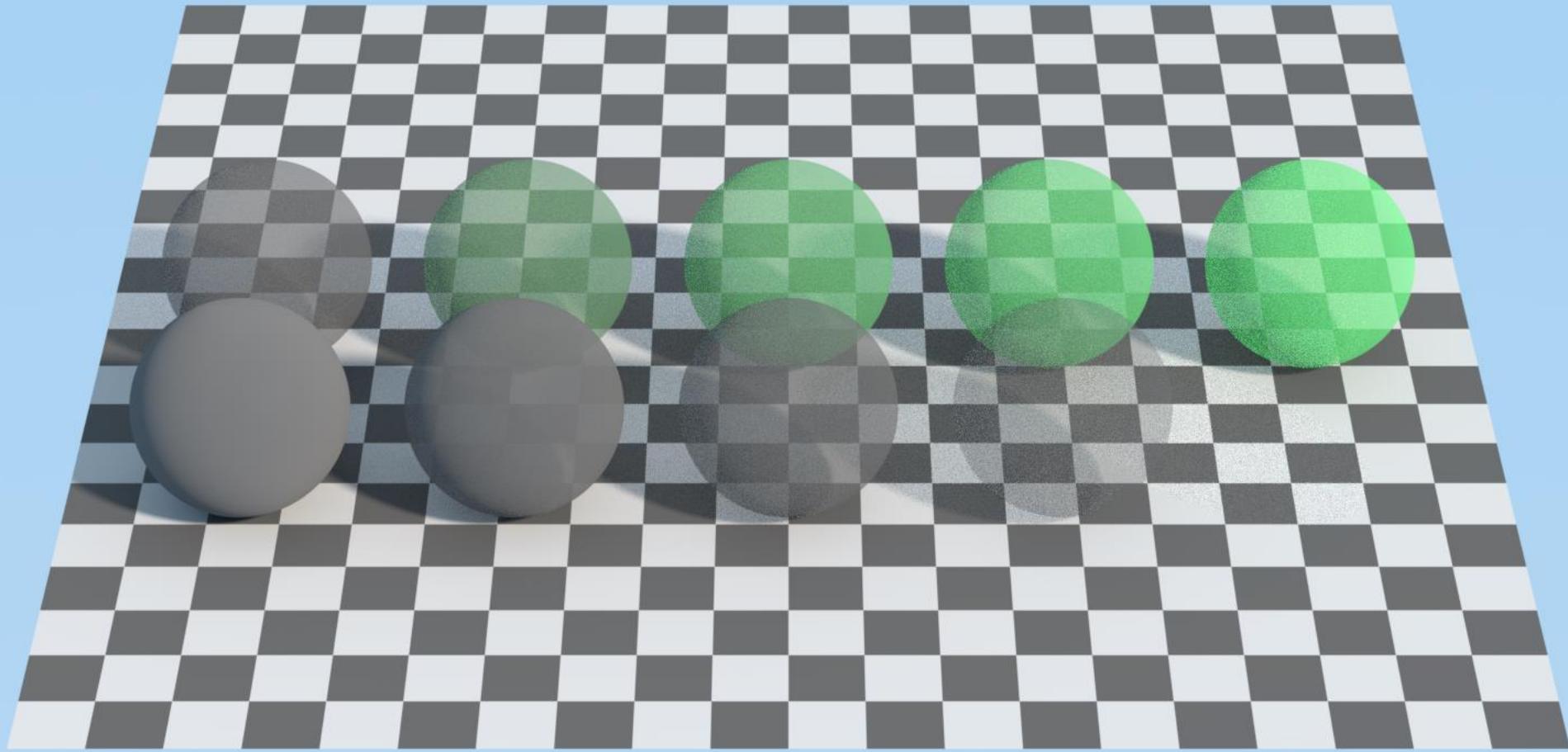




Transparency

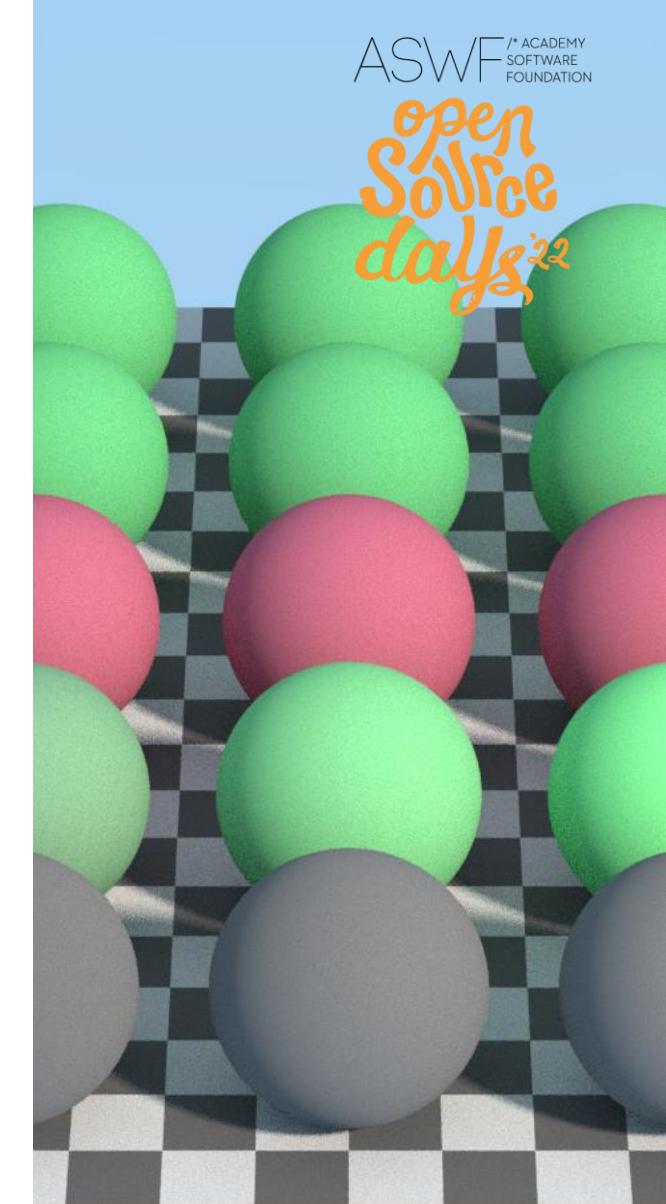
- Transparent
 - Straight transmission through a surface
 - **transparent_bsdf()**
 - Implemented in testrender [OSL#1547](#)





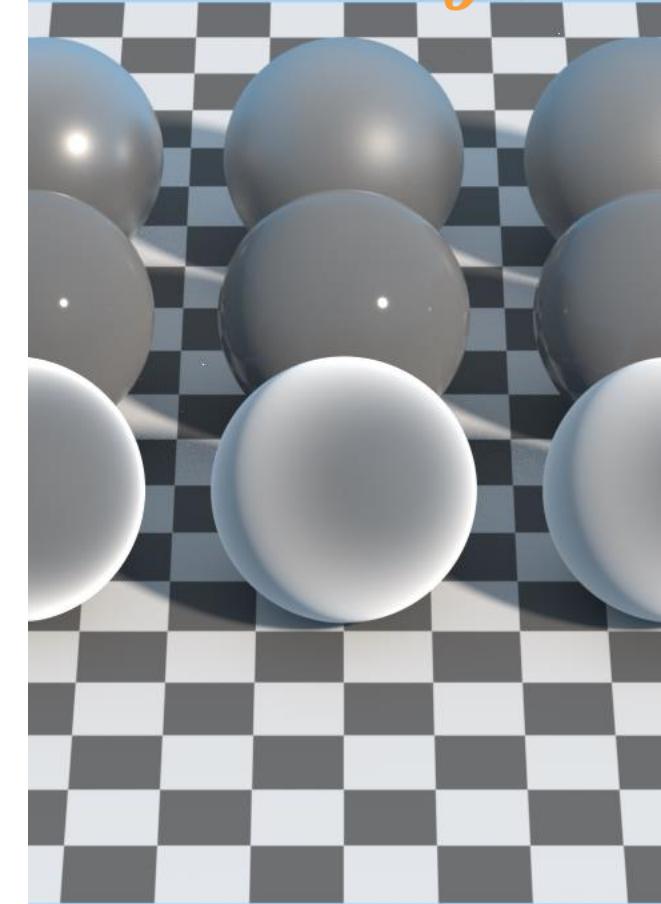
Subsurface scattering BSSRDF

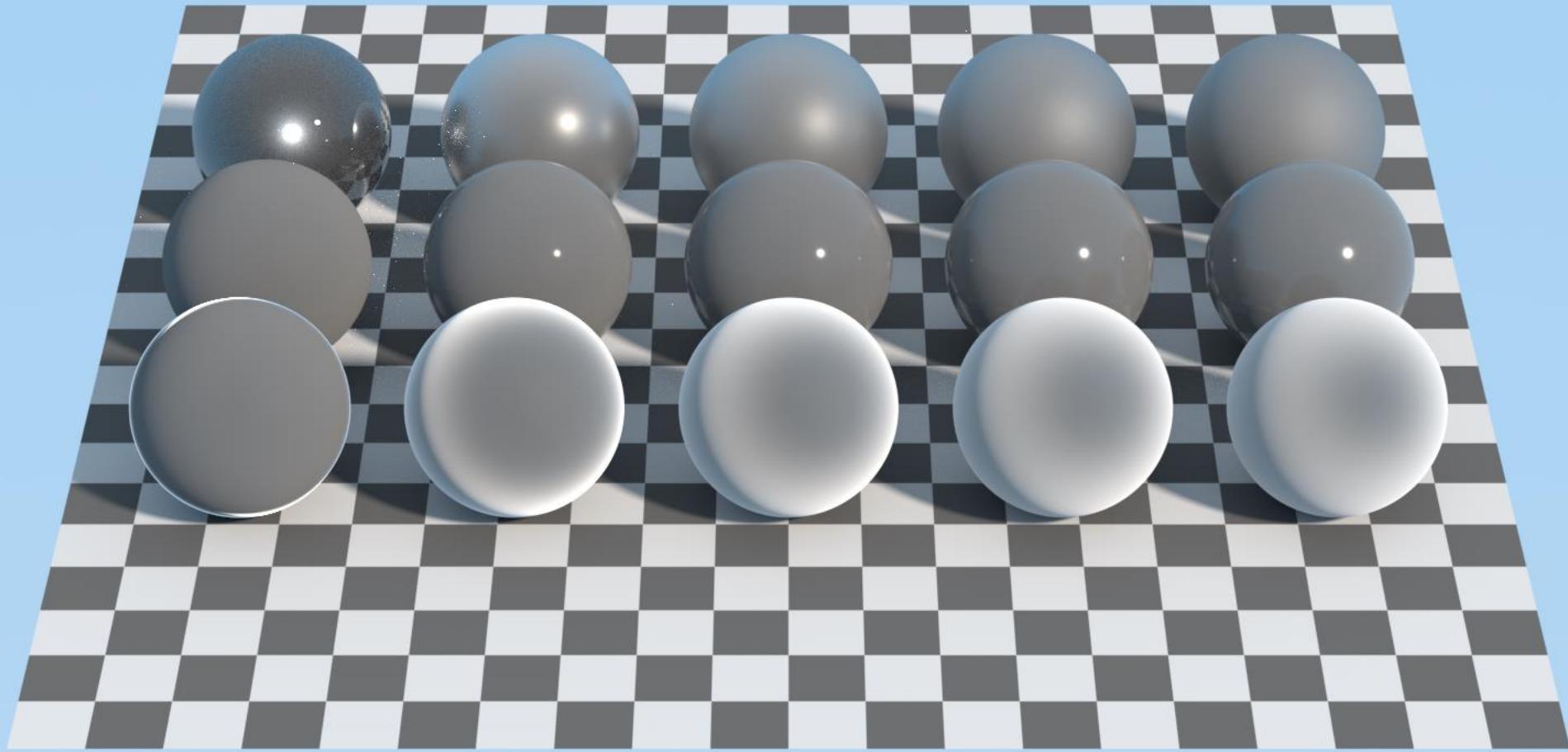
- Subsurface
 - BSSRDF for subsurface scattering within a homogeneous medium
 - **`subsurface_bssrdf(normal N, color albedo, float transmission_depth, color transmission_color, float anisotropy)`**
 - No support in testrender
 - Translated as a diffuse BSDF



Back scattering microfacet

- Sheen
 - Microfacet BSDF for the back-scattering properties of cloth-like materials.
 - `sheen_bsdf(normal N, color albedo, float roughness)`
 - Implemented in testrender [OSL#1537](#)

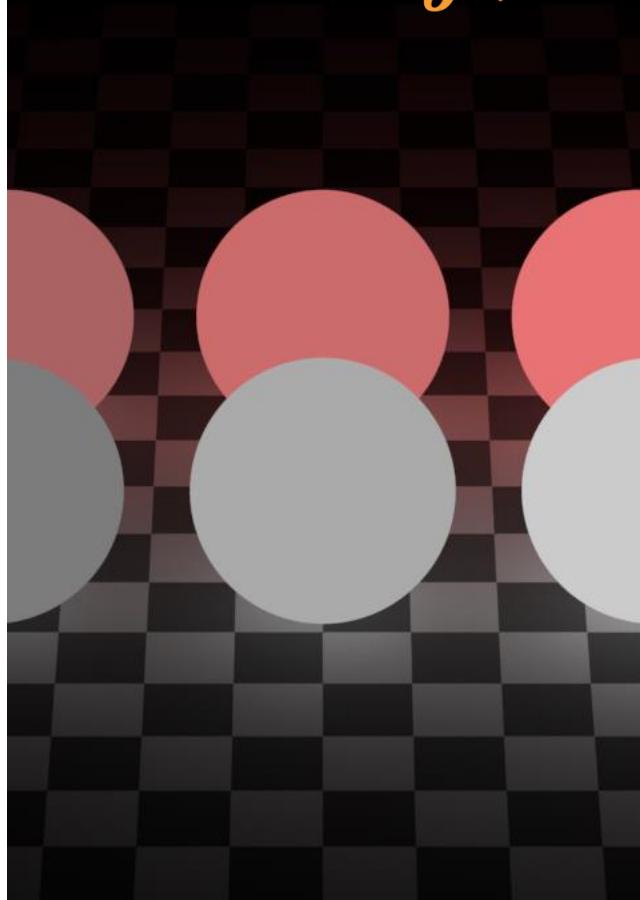


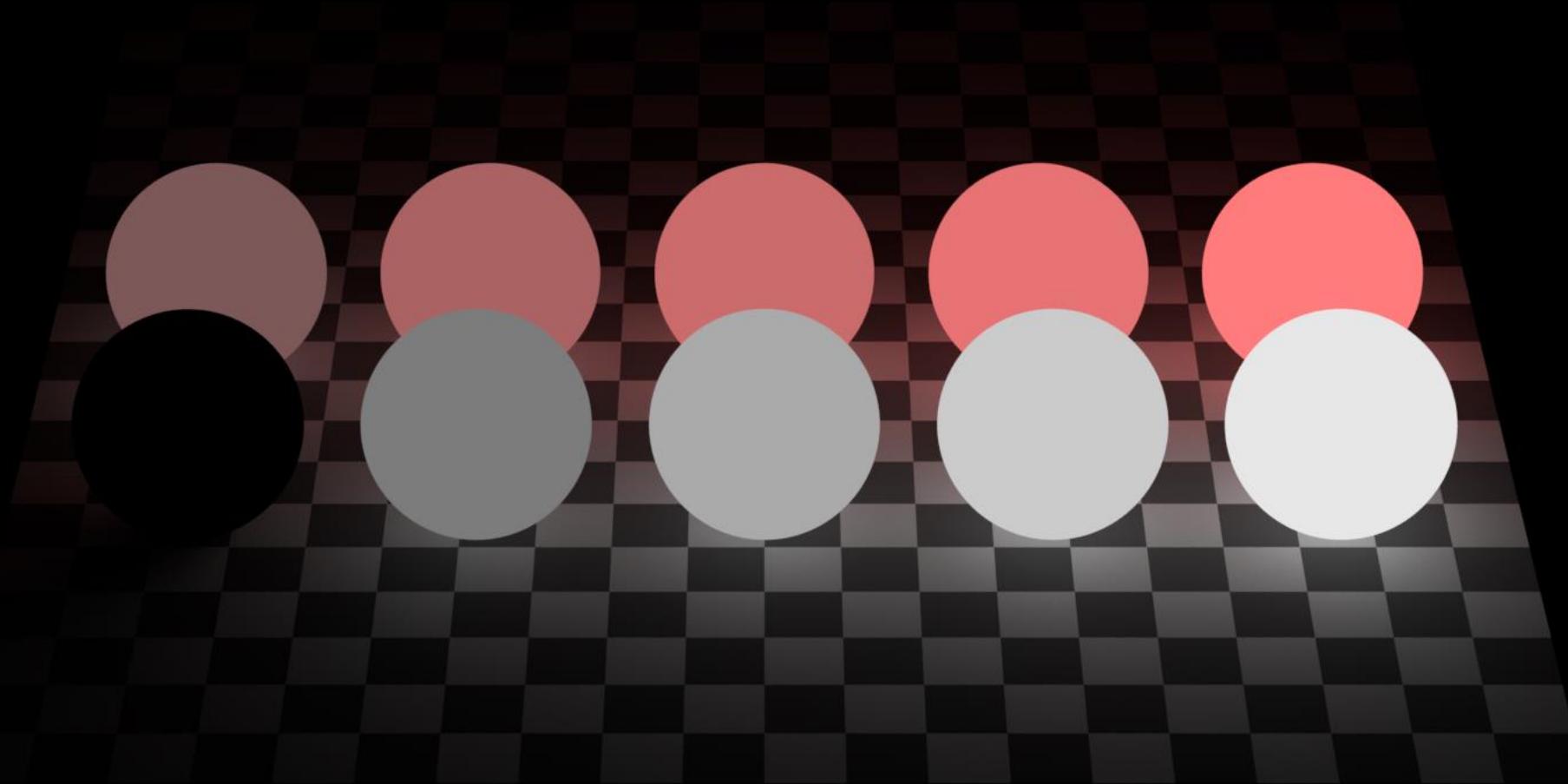


Emission EDF

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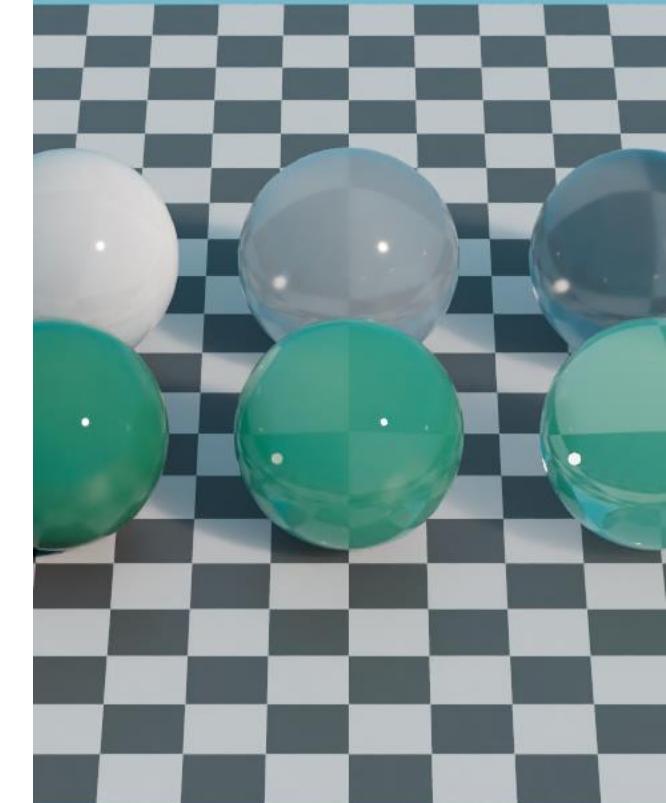
- Uniform
 - EDF emitting light uniformly in all directions
 - `uniform_edf(color emittance)`
 - Implemented in testrender [OSL#1547](#)





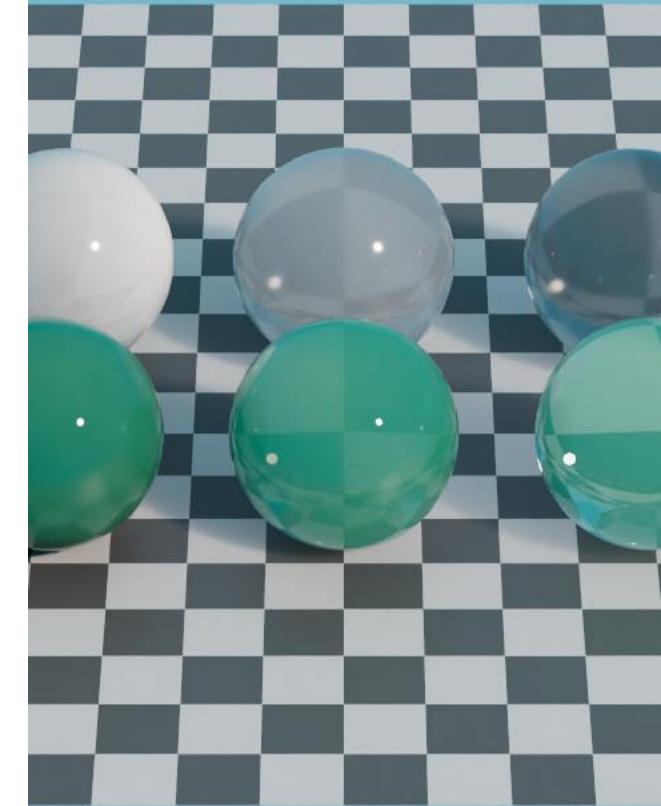
Volume closures

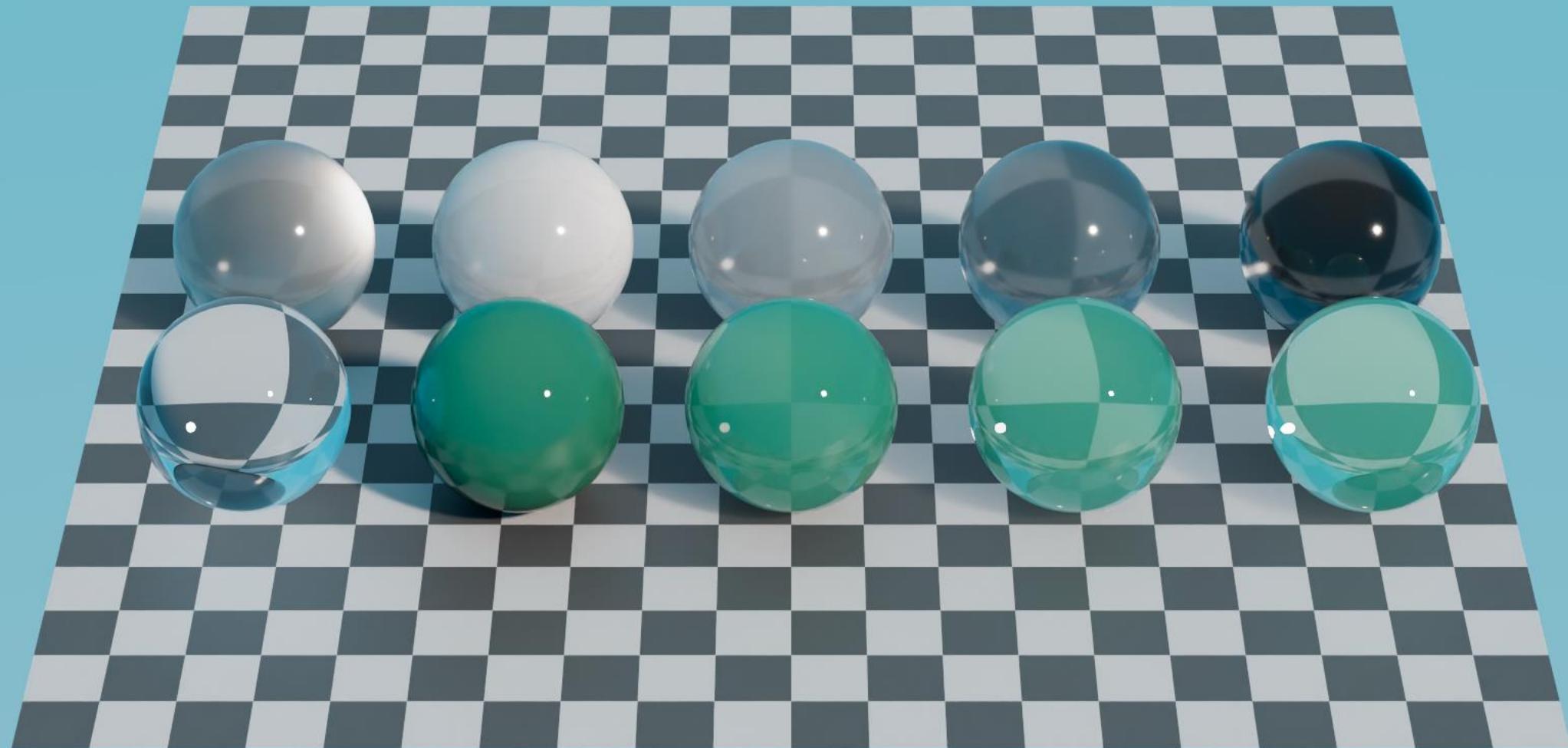
- Anisotropic
 - VDF scattering light for a general participating medium, based on the Henyey-Greenstein phase function
 - **`anisotropic_vdf(color albedo, color extinction, float anisotropy)`**
 - Implemented as extinction only [OSL#1547](#)



Volume closures

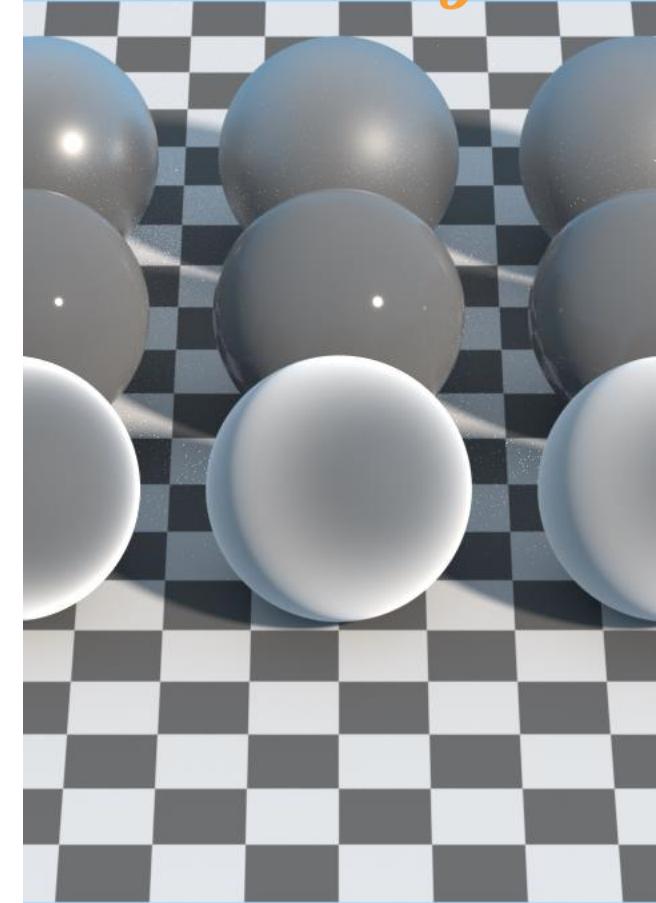
- Medium
 - VDF for light passing through a dielectric homogenous medium, such as glass or liquids
 - `medium_vdf(color albedo, float transmission_depth, color transmission_color, float anisotropy, float ior, int priority)`
 - Implemented as extinction only [OSL#1547](#)

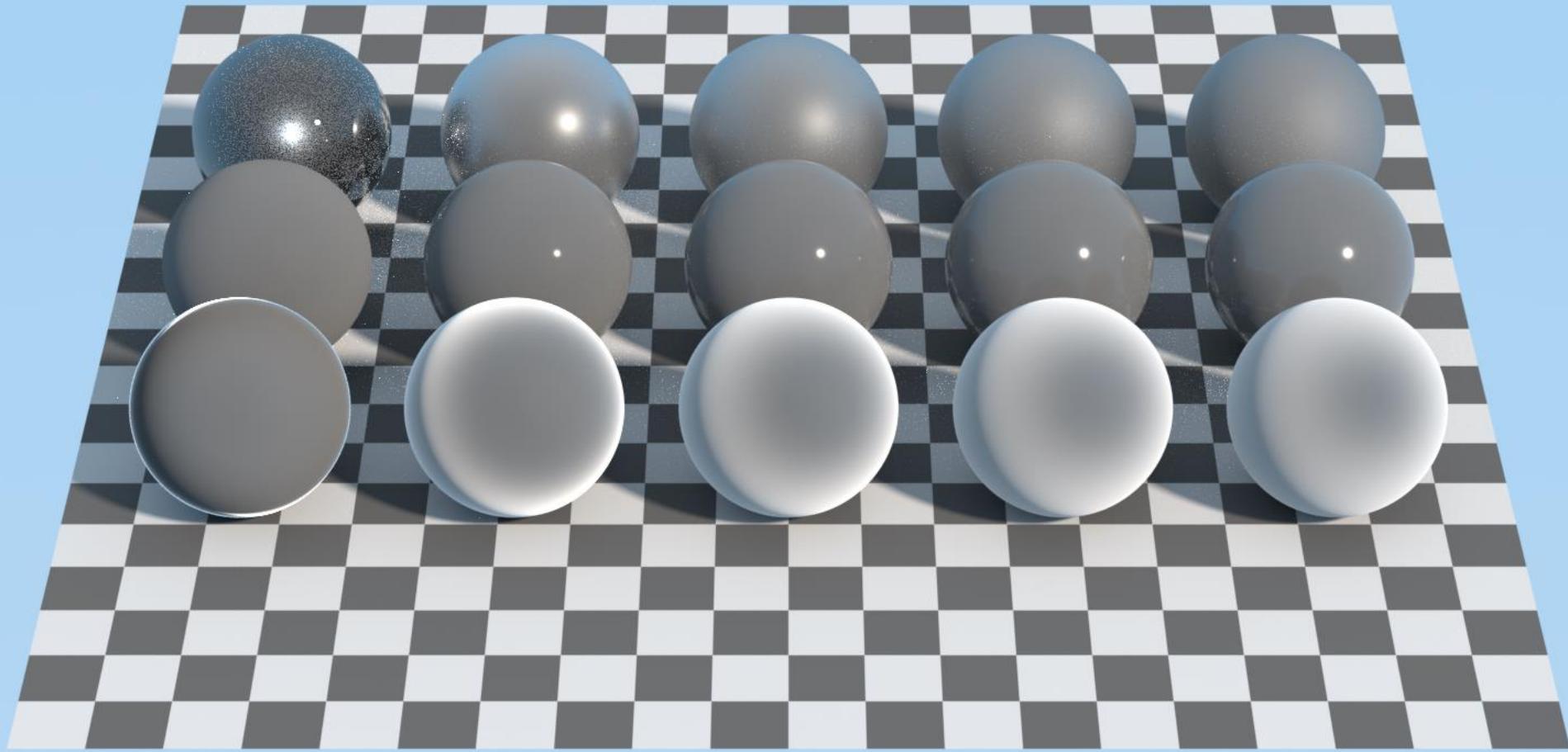




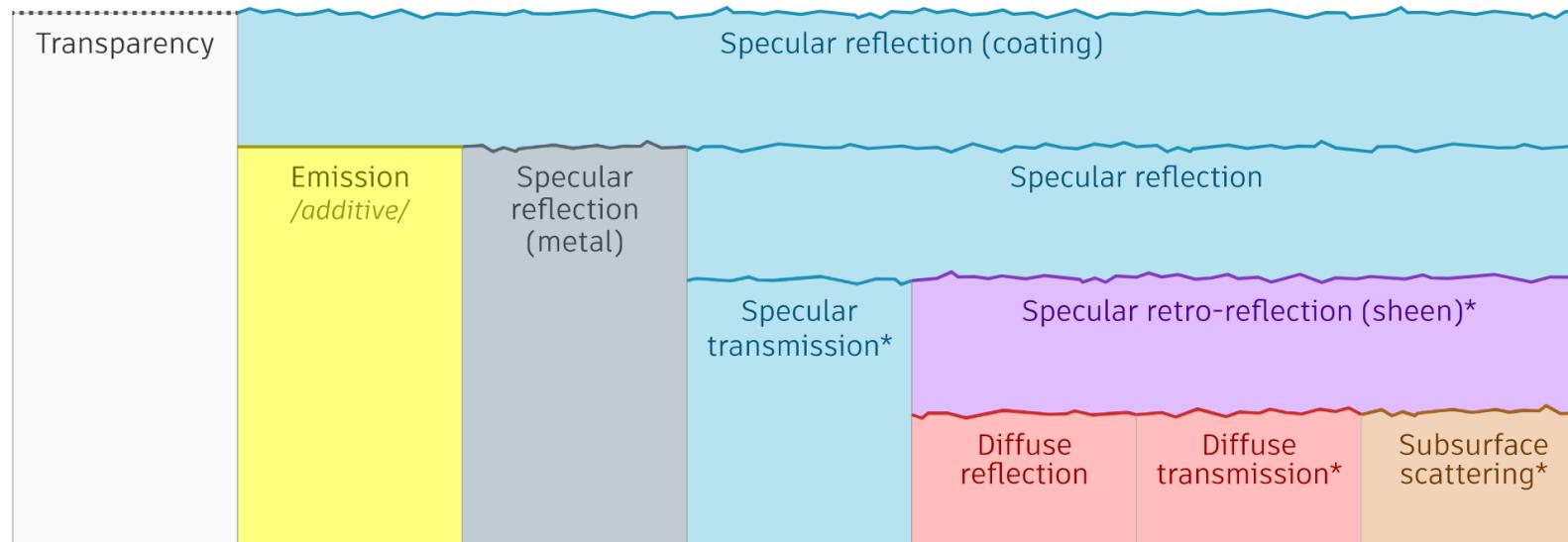
Layering closures

- Layer
 - Vertically layer a layerable BSDF such as dielectric_bsdf, generalized_schlick_bsdf or sheen_bsdf over a BSDF or VDF
 - **layer(closure color top, closure color base)**
 - Implemented in testrender [OSL#1538](#)
 - Missing support for layering VDFs

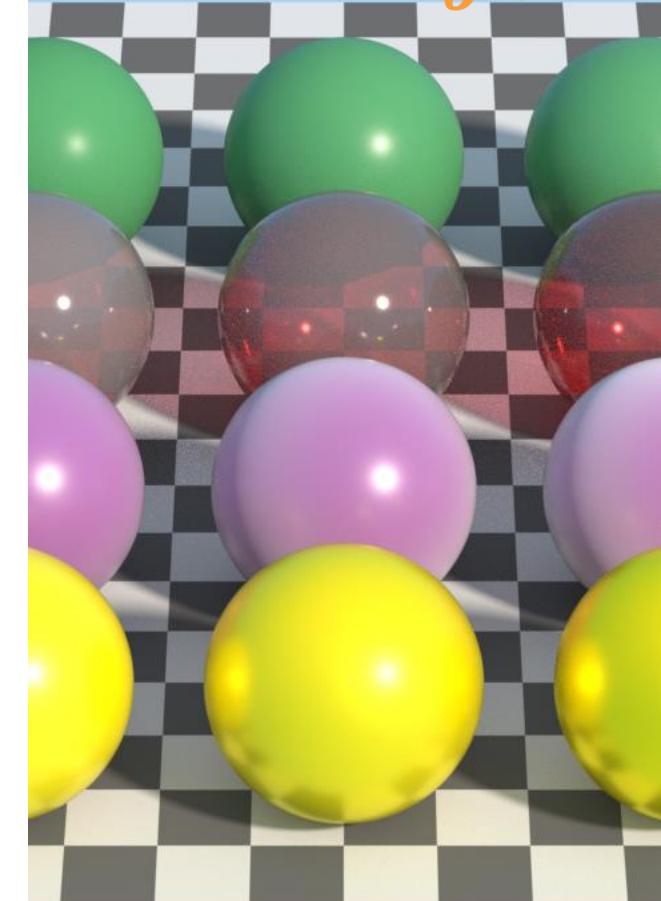




Implementing an ubershader using standard closures

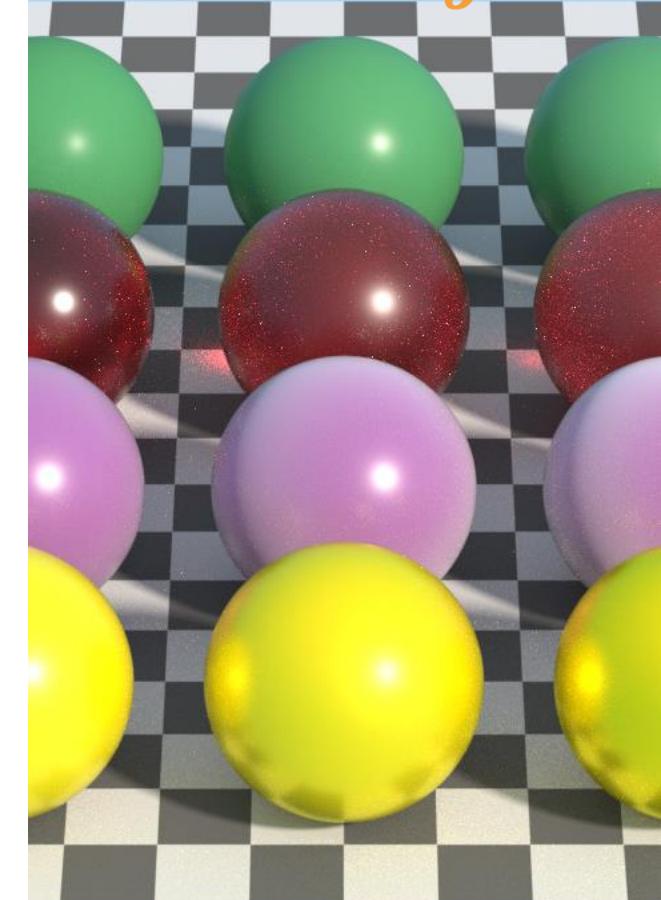


Source : Autodesk Standard Surface whitepaper - <https://autodesk.github.io/standard-surface/>



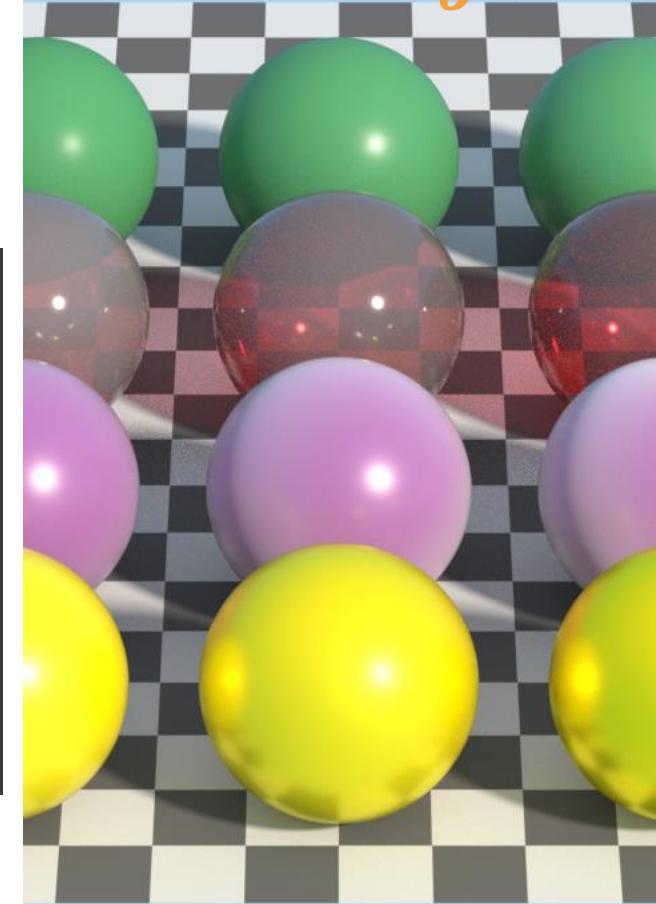
Implementing an ubershader using standard closures

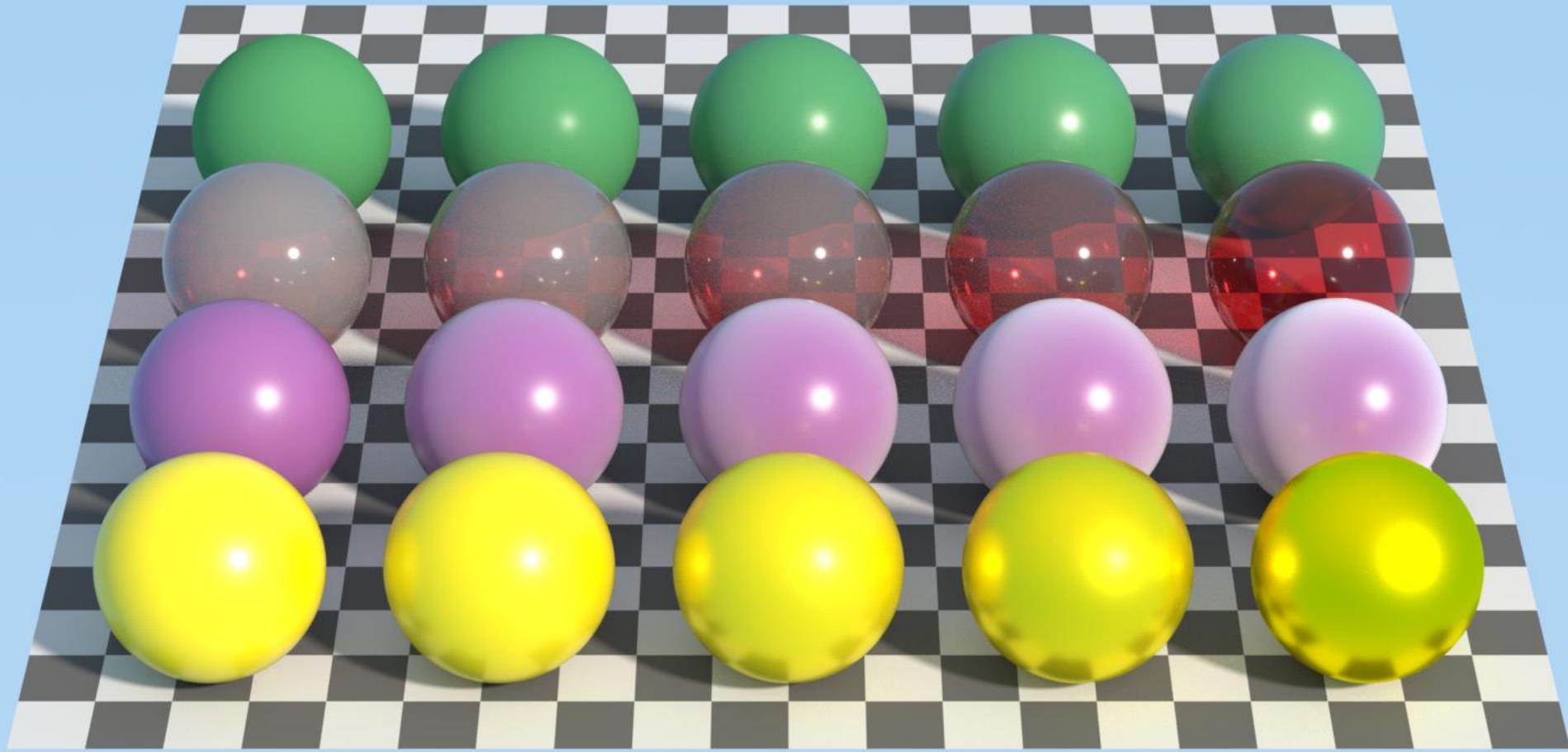
```
shader standard_surface(
    float base = .8,
    color base_color = color(1),
    float diffuse_roughness = 0,
    float specular = 1,
    color specular_color = color(1),
    float specular_roughness = .1,
    float specular_IOR = 1.52,
    float specular_anisotropy = 0,
    float specular_rotation = 0,
    float metalness = 0,
    float transmission = 0,
    color transmission_color = color(1),
    float transmission_depth = 0,
    float transmission_scatter = 0,
    float transmission_scatter_anisotropy = 0,
    float transmission_dispersion = 0,
    float subsurface = 0,
    color subsurface_color = color(1),
    color subsurface_radius = color(1),
    float subsurface_scale = 1,
    float subsurface_anisotropy = 0,
    float sheen = 0,
    color sheen_color = color(1),
    float sheen_roughness = 0.3,
    int thin_walled = 0 [[ string widget = "boolean"]]),
    normal input_normal = N,
    vector tangent = dPdu,
    float coat = 0,
    color coat_color = color(1),
    float coat_roughness = .1,
    float coat_IOR = 1.5,
    normal coat_normal = N,
    float coat_affect_color = 0,
    float coat_affect_roughness = 0,
    float thin_film_thickness = 0,
    float thin_film_IOR = 1.5,
    float emission_w = 0,
    color emission_color = color(1),
    color opacity = color(1),
    output closure color standard_surface_closures = 0)
{ ... }
```



Implementing an ubershader using standard closures

```
Ci = (color(1) - opacity) * transparent_bsdf() + // transparency
    opacity *
    (emission_w * uniform_edf(emission_color) + // emission
     // coat
     layer(coat * dielectric_bsdf(N, 0, coat_color, 0, coat_roughness, coat_roughness, coat_IOR, "ggx"),
          // specular_reflection
          mix(layer(dielectric_bsdf(N, 0, specular_color, 0, specular_roughness, specular_roughness, specular_IOR, "ggx"),
                    // sheen
                    mix(layer(sheen * sheen_bsdf(N, sheen_color, sheen_roughness),
                            mix(base * oren_nayar_diffuse_bsdf(N, base_color, diffuse_roughness),
                                subsurface_bssrdf(N, subsurface_color, subsurface_radius[0], subsurface_color, subsurface_anisotropy),
                                subsurface_weight)),
                    // specular_transmission
                    dielectric_bsdf(N, 0, 0, transmission_color, specular_roughness, specular_roughness, specular_IOR, "ggx"),
                    transmission)),
          // metal
          conductor_bsdf(N, 0, specular_roughness, specular_roughness, conductor_iор, conductor_extinction, "ggx"),
          metalness))
    );
```





Next steps

- Implement all hard surface closures and parameters in testrender
- Expand the capabilities of testrender to implement SSS closures, volume closures ?
 - OSL testrender needs to be kept simple so a full volume integrator is not currently planned
 - We could go for a simple approximation
- Call to renderer writers to implement the new set of closures
- Implement support in the MaterialX OSL generator
 - WIP PR [MaterialX#1039](#)



The logo for "open Source days '22" is centered below the ASWF logo. It consists of the words "open", "Source", and "days" stacked vertically in a large, orange, hand-drawn style font. The year "'22" is positioned at the bottom right of the "days" word.

Open Shading Language - 2022 update

Larry Gritz
Sony Pictures Imageworks

What is OSL?

- De facto standard shading language for production path tracing
- Language spec + libraries
- Found in: Arnold, RenderMan, 3dsMax, 3Delight, Clarisse, V-Ray, OTOY Octane and Brigade, Redshift, Blender/Cycles, ...
- Academy Sci-Tech Award in 2017
- Originated at Sony Pictures Imageworks, now ASWF project
- Open source: <http://openshadinglanguage.org>

OSL 1.12 release

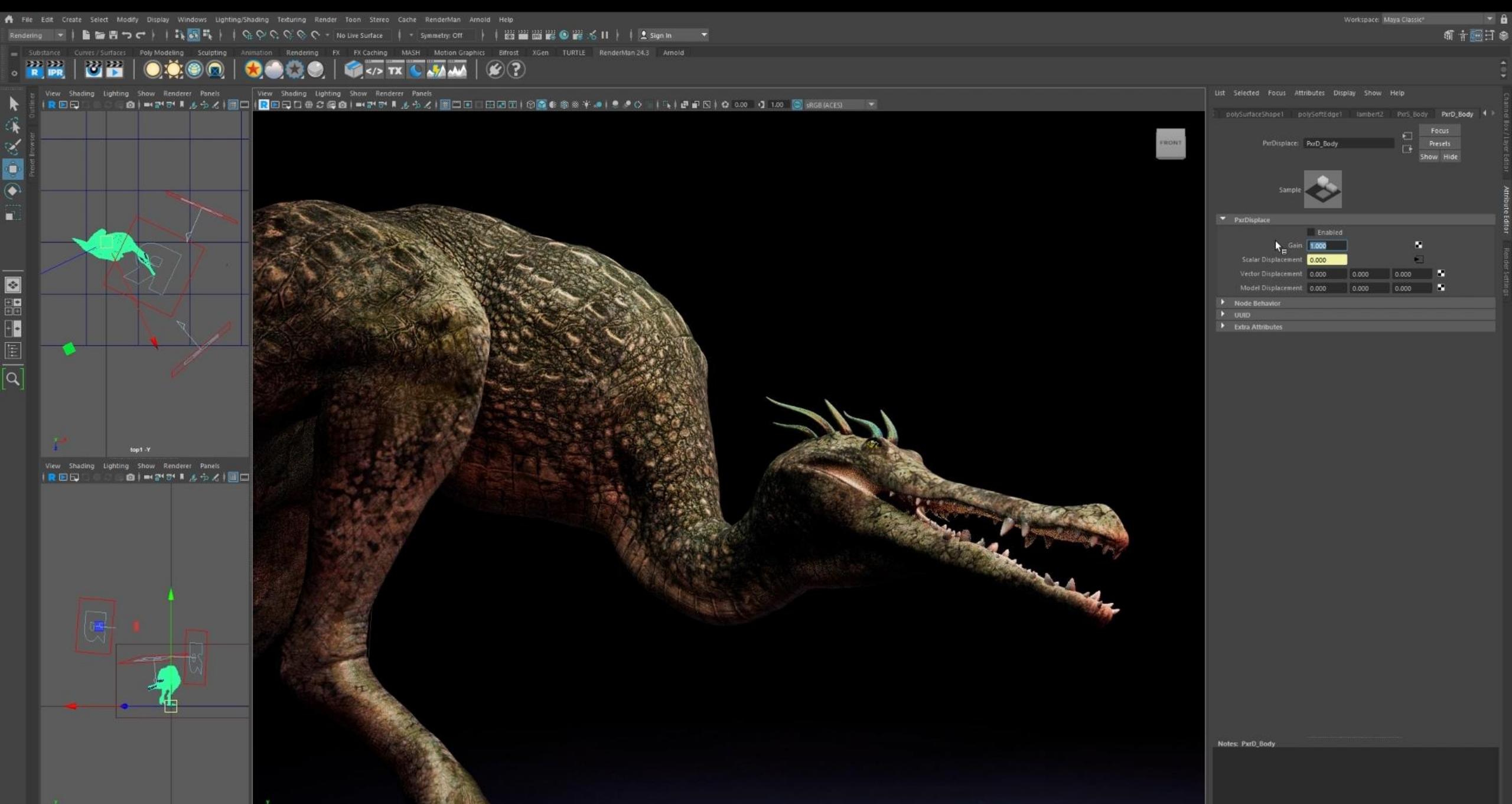
- A lot of studios work from 'main', but we haven't had a new official stable release branch for a long time.
- 1.12 is in beta NOW, intend to call it "release" by Sept 1 (-ish).
- Major new features:
 - Batch shading via SIMD
 - GPU / OptiX
 - Synchronize standard material closures with MaterialX

Batch shading

- Reminder: usually, we execute shader at a single point (ray)
- Work by Intel + Pixar (in use now by RenderMan)
- Shade in batches of 8 or 16 points at the same time
- Accelerated by Intel AVX-2 or AVX-512 SIMD instructions
- All shades in the batch must be the same material / shader group
- OSL language features are fully supported

GPU / OptiX shading

- GPU ray tracing on NVIDIA
- Work by NVIDIA + Sony Imageworks (in use now by Arnold, RenderMan XPU, Isotropix Angie)
- For use primarily with OptiX toolkit (though pure Cuda also works)
- Most of the language works, enough for procedural patterns, etc. Still more to go to reach 100% feature support.
- This will grow to full feature parity in the roadmap for the next release
- Demo video



Roadmap for the next year

- OptiX back end → full feature parity
- RendererServices → "free function" callbacks as LLVM bitcode
- First class support for vector2, vector4, and {color+alpha} type
- Re-evaluation of parameters and their upstream nodes
- A core C-like back end that can be customized to translate to other languages such as GLSL

Help wanted!

- This roadmap is ambitious, need to improve bus/retirement factor
- Please get involved
- If your studio or product is heavily relying on OSL, please consider dedicating some engineering time to helping to improve it
- It doesn't have to be a huge engineering task
- Usual comms:
 - Open biweekly TSC meetings: <https://www.aswf.io/meeting-calendar/>
 - Dev mail list: <https://lists.aswf.io/g/osl-dev>
 - Slack: <https://slack.aswf.io/> (#openshadinglanguage)



A row of white chess pawns are lined up on a light-colored board. The pawns are positioned in a staggered formation, with some slightly offset from each other. They have white bases and light-colored wooden shafts. The background is blurred, creating a soft focus effect.

Thank You!
Questions?