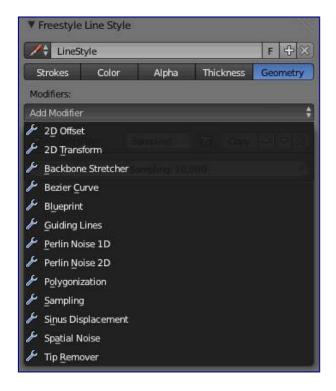
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Geometry



Line Style Geometry Overall UI

In this tab you control the geometry of your strokes.

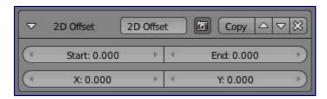
Modifiers

There are thirteen geometry modifiers available. These modifiers have no mix nor influence settings, as they always completely apply to the strokes' geometry (like object modifiers do). They take the resulting two-dimensional strokes from the Freestyle line set and displace or deform them in various ways.

As with other modifier stacks in Blender, they are applied from top to bottom.

2D Offset

The *2D Offset* modifier adds some two-dimensional offsets to the stroke backbone geometry. It has two sets of independent options/effects:



Start and End

These two options add the given amount of offset to the start (or end) point of the stroke, along the (2D) normal at those points. The effect is blended over the whole stroke, so if you, for example, set only *Start* to **50**, the start of the stroke is offset 50 pixels along its normal, the middle of the stroke, 25 pixels along its own normal, and the end point isn't moved.

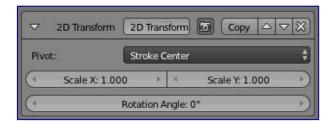
X and Y

These two options simply add a constant horizontal and/or vertical offset to the whole stroke.

2D Transform

The *2D Transform* modifier applies two-dimensional scaling and/or rotation to the stroke backbone geometry. Scale is applied before rotation.

The center (pivot point) of these 2D transformations can be:



Stroke Center

The median point of the stroke.

Stroke Start

The beginning point of the stroke.

Stroke End

The end point of the stroke.

Stroke Point Parameter

The *Stroke Point Parameter* factor controls where along the stroke the pivot point is (0.0 means start point; 1.0 end point).

Absolute 2D Point

The *Pivot X* and *Pivot Y* allows you to define the position of the pivot point in the final render (from the bottom left corner). **WARNING**: Currently, you have to take into account the *real* render size, i.e. resolution **and** resolution percentage!

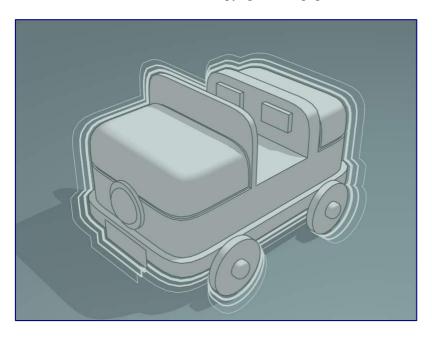
Scale X and Scale Y

The scaling factors, in their respective axes.

Rotation Angle

The rotation angle.

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2D Transform modifier File:Toycar_Three_Contours.zip

Backbone Stretcher



The *Backbone Stretcher* modifier stretches (adds some length to) the beginning and end of the stroke.

Backbone Length

Length to add to the strokes' ends.

Bezier Curve



The Bezier Curve modifier replaces the stroke by a Bezier approximation of it.

Error

The maximum distance allowed between the new Bezier curve and the original stroke.

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Bezier Curve modifier demo by T.K. File:toycar bezier.zip

Blueprint

The *Blueprint* modifier produces blueprint-like strokes using either circular, elliptical, or square contours. A blueprint here refers to those lines drawn at the beginning of free-hand drawing to capture the silhouette of objects with a simple shape such as circles, ellipses and squares.



Shape

Which base shapes to use for this blueprint: *Circles*, *Ellipses* or *Squares*.

Rounds

How many rounds are generated, as if the pen draws the same stroke several times (i.e. how many times the process is repeated).

Random Radius and Random Center

For the *Circles* and *Ellipses* shapes. Adds some randomness to each round in the relevant aspect. Using more than one round with no randomness would be meaningless, as they would draw over each other exactly.

Backbone Length and Random Backbone

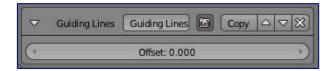
For the *Squares* shapes. The first adds some extra length to each edge of the generated squares (also affected by the second parameter). The second adds some randomness to the squares.

Note that the *Min 2D Length* feature from the *Strokes* settings is quite handy here, to avoid the noise generated by small strokes...

Guiding Lines

The *Guiding Lines* modifier replaces a stroke by a straight line connecting both of its ends.

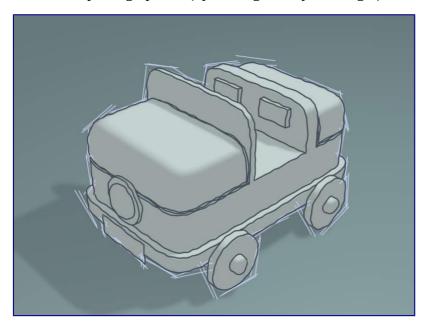
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Offset

Offset the start and end points along the original stroke, before generating the new straight one.

This modifier will produce reasonable results when strokes are short enough, because shorter strokes are more likely to be well approximated by straight lines. Therefore, it is recommended to use this modifier together with one of the splitting options (by 2D angle or by 2D length) from the *Strokes* panel.



Guiding Lines modifier Demo by T.K. File:Toycar Guiding Line.zip

Perlin Noise 1D

The *Perlin Noise 1D* modifier adds one-dimensional Perlin noise to the stroke. The curvilinear abscissa (value between 0 and 1 determined by a point's position relative to the first and last point of a stroke) is used as the input to the noise function to generate noisy displacements.

This means that this modifier will give an identical result for two strokes with the same length and sampling interval.



Frequency

How dense the noise is (kind of a scale factor along the stroke).

Amplitude

How much the noise distorts the stroke in the *Angle* direction.

Seed

The seed of the random generator (the same seed over a stroke will always give the same result).

Octaves

The "level of detail" of the noise.

Angle

In which direction the noise is applied (0.0 is fully horizontal).

Perlin Noise 2D



The *Perlin Noise 2D* modifier adds one-dimensional Perlin noise to the stroke. The modifier generates noisy displacements using 2D coordinates of stroke vertices as the input of the noise generator.

Its settings are exactly the same as the *Perlin Noise 1D* modifier.

Polygonization



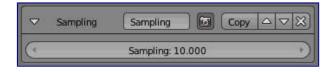
The *Polygonization* modifier simplifies strokes as much as possible (in other words, it transforms smooth strokes into jagged polylines).

Error

The maximum distance allowed between the new simplified stroke and the original one (the larger this value is, the more jagged/approximated the resulting polylines are).

Sampling

The *Sampling* modifier changes the definition, precision of the stroke, for the following modifiers.



Sampling

The smaller this value, the more precise are the strokes. Be careful; too small values will require a huge amount of time and memory during render!

Sinus Displacement

The *Sinus Displacement* modifier adds a sinusoidal displacement to the stroke.



Wavelength

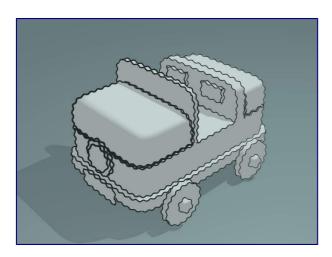
How wide the undulations are along the stroke.

Amplitude

How high the undulations are across the stroke.

Phase

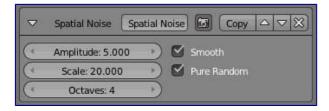
Allows "offsetting" ("moving") the undulations along the stroke.



Sinus Displacement modifier demo by T.K. File:Toycar Sinus.zip

Spatial Noise

The *Spatial Noise* modifier adds some spatial noise to the stroke. Spatial noise displacements are added in the normal direction (i.e., the direction perpendicular to the tangent line) evaluated at each stroke vertex.



Amplitude

How much the noise distorts the stroke.

Scale

How wide the noise is along the stroke.

Octaves

The level of detail of the noise.

Smooth

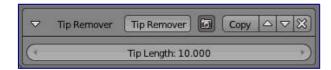
When enabled, apply some smoothing over the generated noise.

Pure Random

When disabled, the next generated random value depends on the previous one; otherwise they are completely independent. Disabling this setting gives a more "consistent" noise along a stroke.

Tip Remover

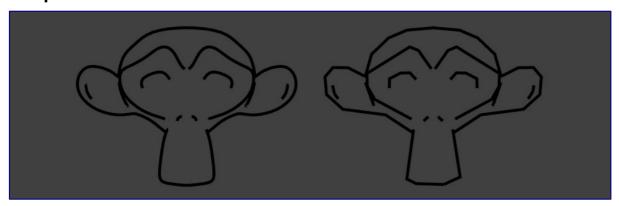
The *Tip Remover* modifier removes a piece of the stroke at its beginning and end.



Tip Length

Length of stroke to remove at both of its tips.

Simplification



The *Simplification* modifier merges stroke vertices that lie close to one another, like the *Decimate* modifier for meshes.



Tolerance

Measure for how close points have to be to each other to be merged. A higher tolerance means more vertices are merged.